



IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 14-05-2026

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THE HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE P. DHANABAL

CRL OP No. 12915 of 2026

Madhanasivaraj

..Petitioner(s)

Vs

State rep.by Inspector of Police
Manalmedu Police Station,
Mayiladuthurai District.
(Crime No.219 /2026)

..Respondent(s)

PRAYER: Criminal Original Petition filed under Section 482 of BNSS, 2023, praying to enlarge the petitioner on Bail in the event of his arrest in Crime No. No. 2L9 of 2026 on the file of the respondent police and thus render justice.

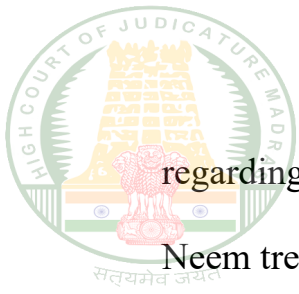
For Petitioner(s): Mr.C.T. Saravanan

For Respondent(s): Mr.S.Balaji
Government Advocate (Crl. Side)

ORDER

The petitioner who apprehends arrest in the hands of the respondent police for the offences punishable under Sections 296(b) and 132 of the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita (BNS), 2023 in Crime No. 219 of 2026, seeks anticipatory bail.

2.The case of the prosecution is that a verbal altercation and wordy quarrel took place between the petitioner and the de facto complainant



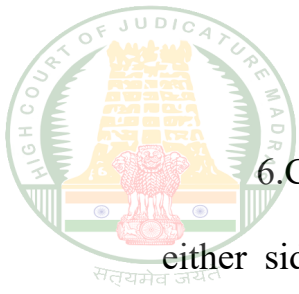
regarding the failure to repair a damaged public water tank after it fell onto a Neem tree and was subsequently removed. Hence the case.

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3.Learned counsel appearing for the petitioner submitted that the petitioner is an innocent person, a permanent resident of Mayiladuthurai District, and has been falsely implicated in this case due to a casual public grievance dispute. He further submitted that this is the first anticipatory bail application before this Court, no similar petition is pending before the Sessions Court or any other court. He stated that nobody was injured in the incident, the petitioner has no previous criminal cases pending against him, and he is ready to abide by any conditions imposed by this Court. Hence, he prayed anticipatory bail for the petitioner.

4.The learned Government Advocate (Criminal Side) appearing for the respondent police reiterated the prosecution case regarding the public property dispute but confirmed that nobody sustained injuries during the occurrence. He also admitted that no previous case is pending against the petitioner. Hence, he vehemently opposed the grant of anticipatory bail to the Petitioner.

5.Heard both sides and perused the materials available on record.



6. Considering the rival submissions made by the learned counsel on either side, the nature of the offences, the fact that no individual sustained injuries during the occurrence, and also the fact that no previous case is pending against the petitioner, I am inclined to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner subject to the following conditions.

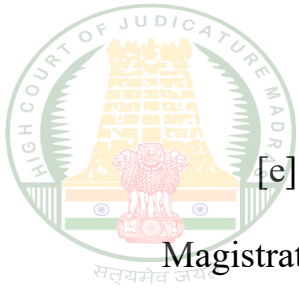
7. Accordingly, the petitioner is ordered to be released on bail in the event of arrest or on his appearance, within a period of fifteen days from the date on which the order copy made ready, before the learned Judicial Magistrate No. I, Mayiladuthurai, on condition that the petitioner shall execute a bond for a sum of Rs.10,000/- (Rupees Ten Thousand only) with two sureties each for a like sum to the satisfaction of the learned Magistrate concerned and on further condition that:

[a] the petitioner shall report before the respondent police on every Saturday at 10.00 a.m for a period of four weeks and thereafter as and when required for interrogation;

[b] the petitioner shall not, directly or indirectly, make any inducement, threat or promise to any person acquainted with the facts of the case so as to dissuade her from disclosing such facts to the Court or to any police officer;

[c] the petitioner shall not leave India without the previous permission of the Court;

[d] the petitioner shall not abscond either during investigation or trial;



[e] On breach of any of the aforesaid conditions, the learned Magistrate/Trial Court is entitled to take appropriate action against the petitioner in accordance with law as if the conditions have been imposed and the petitioner released on bail by the learned Magistrate/Trial Court himself as laid down by the Hon'ble Supreme Court in P.K.Shaji vs. State of Kerala [(2005)AIR SCW 5560];

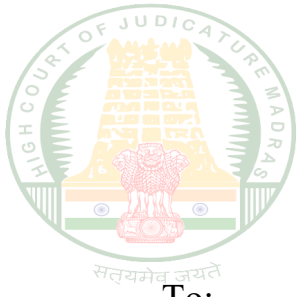
[f] If the accused thereafter abscond, a fresh FIR can be registered under Section 269 BNSS, 2023.

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Note:

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2. All concerned to act on this order being uploaded in Official Website of this Court without insisting on certified hard copies. To be noted, this order when uploaded in the official website of this Court will be watermarked and will also have a QR code.



To:

1. The Judicial Magistrate No. I,
Mayiladuthurai.

2. The Inspector of Police
Manalmedu Police Station,
Mayiladuthurai District.

3. The Public Prosecutor,
Madras High Court,
Chennai.



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