



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. 12521 of 2026

Venkatesan

..Petitioner(s)

Vs

State rep by the Inspector of Police,
Sankari Police Station,
Salem District
Cr.No.113 of 2026

..Respondent(s)

Prayer: The Criminal Original Petition is filed under Section 483 of B.N.S.S., to enlarge the petitioner on bail in Cr.No.113 of 2026 on the file of the respondent police.

For Petitioner(s): Mr.T.N.Rangesh Kanna

For Respondent(s): Mr.V.J.Priyadarsana
Government Advocate (Crl.Side)

ORDER

The petitioner, who was arrested and remanded to judicial custody on 19.03.2026 for the offences punishable under Sections 296(b), 109(1) BNS and altered to Sections 296(b), 103(1) BNS in Cr.No.113 of 2026 on the file of the respondent police, seeks bail.



2. The case of the prosecution is that the petitioner and one Dhavamani were adjacent land owners of the defacto complainant. On 16.03.2026 at about 11.00 a.m., when Dhavamani was laying a pipeline to take water to her agricultural land, the petitioner and his wife (A2) developed quarrel with Dhavamani and when the defacto complainant's husband Madheswaran intervened, the petitioner and A2 abused him in filthy words and assaulted him with stone and caused injuries and he was admitted in the hospital and during the course of treatment, he died. Hence, the case.

3. The learned counsel for the petitioner would contend that the petitioner is under judicial custody since 19.03.2026. He submits that the petitioner is an innocent person and he has not committed any offence as alleged by the prosecution. Therefore he prayed to grant bail to the petitioner.

4. The learned Government Advocate (Criminal Side) reiterated the prosecution case and submitted that there is no previous case as against the petitioner. However, he opposed for grant of bail to the petitioner.

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



6. Considering the rival submissions made on both sides, the nature of offence and that there is no previous case against the petitioner and further considering that since the alleged occurrence took place on 16.03.2026, by this time, material part of the investigation might have been completed as well as the period of incarceration undergone by the petitioner, this Court is inclined to grant bail to the petitioner, subject to the following conditions:

[a] Accordingly, the petitioner is ordered to be released on bail on condition to 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 **Judicial Magistrate No.I, Sankari** and on further conditions that:

[b] the petitioner shall report before the respondent Police daily at 10.30 a.m until further orders;

[c] the petitioner shall not commit any offence similar to the offence of which she is accused, or suspected, or of the commission of which she is suspected;

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



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[e] 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 or tamper with the evidence;

[f] On breach of any of the aforesaid conditions, the learned Judicial 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].

[g] If the accused thereafter absconds, a fresh FIR can be registered under Section 269 B.N.S.2023.

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Salem District
3. The Superintendent
Women Prison, Salem
4. The Public Prosecutor,
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