



IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 16-06-2026

CORAM

THE HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE C.KUMARAPPAN

CRL OP No. 13268 of 2026

T.Sathish Kumar
S/o. Thirumurthy,
No.9, Loyds Avenue, Podanur,
Coimbatore South,
Coimbatore - 641 023.

..Petitioner(s)

Vs

State Represented by
The Inspector of Police,
M-3, Puzhal Police Station,
Chennai - 600 066.
(Crime No.0417 of 2023)

..Respondent(s)

PRAYER: Criminal Original Petition has been filed under Section 482 of BNSS, praying to enlarge the petitioner on bail in the event of his apprehending arrest at the hands of the respondent pending investigation M3 Puzhal Crime No.417 of 2023 on the file of the respondent police.

For Petitioner(s): Mr.R.Arun Keerthi

For Respondent(s): Mr.N.Palanivel,
Government Advocate (Crl. Side)

ORDER

The petitioner, who apprehends arrest at the hands of the respondent police for the alleged offence punishable under Sections 416, 420, 464 and 468 of the Indian Penal Code, in Crime No.0417 of 2023, seeks anticipatory bail.



WEB COPY

2. The case of the prosecution is that the complainant, Thajudeen, sold two Omni buses to the petitioner on 14.07.2016 for Rs.36,50,000/- received Rs.36,00,000/- and handed over the transfer documents. The balance of Rs.50,000/- was to be paid at the time of RC transfer. The complainant alleges that the petitioner forged his signature to obtain FC and permits, failed to transfer the RC, and thereby saddled him with liability arising from a subsequent accident involving one of the vehicles. Hence the case.

3. The learned counsel appearing for the petitioner submitted that the petitioner is an innocent and he has been falsely implicated in this case. The petitioner is ready and willing to abide by any conditions that may be imposed by this Court. Hence, he prays for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner.

4. The learned Government Advocate (Crl.Side) appearing for the respondent police reiterated the prosecution case and he opposed to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner.

5. Heard the learned counsel for the petitioner, intervenor and the learned Government Advocate (Crl.Side) for the respondent.



6. I have given anxious consideration to the submissions made by the learned counsel on either side and also perused the records available.

WEB COPY

7. From the submissions made by either side, it is seen that according to the petitioner, he only arranged the sale of the vehicle to a third party. The said third party did not transfer the vehicle in his name, thereby resulting in, the petitioner being implicated in the MCOP case. It is the specific case of the petitioner that he had not purchased the vehicle and had only acted as a broker, facilitating the sale of the vehicle from the defacto complainant to the third party. Further, the occurrence took place in the year 2016, whereas the FIR came to be registered only in 2023. Therefore, taking note of the above facts and circumstances, this Court is of the view that the custodial interrogation of the petitioner is not required. Hence, this Court is inclined to enlarge the petitioner on anticipatory bail.

8. Accordingly, the petitioner is ordered to be released on bail in the event of arrest or on their appearance, within a period of fifteen (15) days from the date on which the order copy is made ready, before the learned District Munsif – cum – Judicial Magistrate at Madhavaram, on condition that the petitioner shall execute a bond for a sum of Rs.20,000/- (Rupees Twenty Thousand only), with two sureties each, for a like sum to the satisfaction of the learned Magistrate concerned, and on further conditions:



WEB COPY



(a) If the petitioner fails to surrender before the concerned learned Magistrate within a period of fifteen (15) days from the date of receipt of a copy of this order, this order shall stand automatically cancelled;

(b) The sureties shall affix their photographs and left thumb impression in the application for surety ship (Judicial Form No.46 annexed to 'The Criminal Rules of Practice, 2019]'. The learned Magistrate shall obtain a copy of any one of identify proofs to ensure their identity;

(c) The petitioner shall report before the respondent police everyday at 10.30 a.m. for a period of four weeks and thereafter as and when required for interrogation;

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

(e) If the petitioner thereafter absconds, a fresh FIR can be registered under Section 269 of BNS Act.

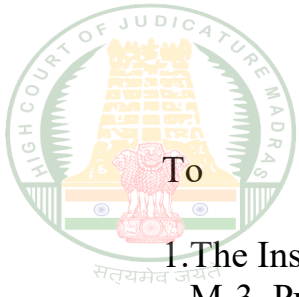
16-06-2026

Index: Yes/No

Speaking/Non-speaking order

Neutral Citation: Yes/No

AH



To

1. The Inspector of Police,
M-3, Puzhal Police Station,
Chennai – 600 066.

2. The District Munsif – cum – Judicial Magistrate,
Madhavaram.

3. The Public Prosecutor,
High Court, Madras.



WEB COPY

CRL OP No. 13268 of 2



C.KUMARAPPAN, J.

AH

CRL OP No. 13268 of 2026

16-06-2026