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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 01-06-2026

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THE HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE C.KUMARAPPAN

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Padmini

..Petitioner(s)

Vs

State Rep By,
The Inspector of Police
Kondapalayam Police Station,
Ranipet District.(Crime No.140/2025)

..Respondent(s)

PRAYER : Criminal Original Petition filed under Section 482 of the Bharatiya
Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023, pleased to enlarge the petitioner on
Anticipatory Bail in the event of arrest in connection with Crime No.140 of
2025 on the file of the respondent police.

For Petitioner(s):	M/S. L.Ramu
For Respondent(s):	Mr.S.Yogaraja Sekar Government Advocate (Criminal side)

ORDER

The petitioner apprehends arrest for the alleged offence under Section
318 (4) of B.N.S. in Crime No.140 of 2025 on the file of the respondent police
seeks anticipatory bail.

2. The case of the prosecution is that the petitioner's husband one
Baskaran is the first accused and was conducting chit and savings schemes. The
defacto-complainant joined the schemes conducted by the petitioner's husband
and subsequently suffered monetary loss due to the alleged non-payment of the
promised amount. Hence, the complaint.



3. The learned counsel appearing for the petitioner submitted that the petitioner is innocent and has been falsely implicated in this case. He further stated that the petitioner had no knowledge of chit transactions, as all those transactions were managed by her husband, who was arrayed as A1. It was also submitted that A1 has already been enlarged on bail by the learned Judicial Magistrate, Ambattur, in Crl.M.P.No.549 of 2026 on 27.04.2026 and by learned Judicial Magistrate, Sholinghur, in Crl.M.P.No.403 of 2026 on 13.05.2026 respectively. Hence, he prays to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner.

4. The learned Government Advocate (Criminal Side) appearing for the respondent police reiterated the prosecution case and submitted that there are materials to implicate her as she signed the gold receipts. Hence, he opposed the grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner.

5. Considering the facts and circumstances of the case, the fact that A1 has already been enlarged on bail and the fact that the petitioner is a woman, this Court is of the firm view that custodial interrogation of the petitioner is not necessary. Hence, this Court is inclined to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner, subject to certain conditions.



6. Accordingly, the petitioner is ordered to be released on bail in the event of arrest or on her appearance, within a period of fifteen (15) days from the date on which the order copy is made ready, before the **learned Judicial Magistrate, Sholinghur**, on condition that **the petitioner shall execute a bond for a sum of Rs.25,000/- (Rupees Twenty Five Thousand only)** , with **two sureties each**, for a like sum to the satisfaction of the learned Magistrate concerned, and on further conditions:

(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 appear before the respondent Police daily Evening at 05.30 pm until further orders;

(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]***;



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

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To

- 1.The Judicial Magistrate,
Sholinghur.
- 2.The Inspector of Police
Kondapalayam Police Station,
Ranipet District.
- 3.The Public Prosecutor
High Court of Madras.

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