



IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 29-05-2026

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THE HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE MOHAMMED SHAFFIQ

CRL O.P No.13887 of 2026

1.C.Murugan

2.K.Prabhu

..Petitioners

Vs

The Inspector of Police,
Central Crime Branch,
Avadi, Chennai-600 054.
Crime No.Not Known of 2026.

..Respondent

PRAYER : Criminal Original Petition filed under Section 482 of Bharatiya
Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023, to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioners in
the event of arrest in connection with unknown Crime No.2026, on the file of
the respondent police.

For Petitioners:

M/s.Leeban Arivalagan
Mr.K.Asokan

For Respondent:

Mr.S.Yogaraja Sekar
Counsel for Government of Tamil Nadu
(Criminal Side)



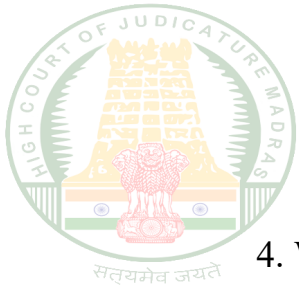
ORDER

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The petitioners apprehend arrest for the alleged offence under Section 316(4) of BNS, 2023, in Crime No. Not Known of 2026, seek anticipatory bail.

2. When the matter is taken up for hearing today, the learned Government Advocate (Crl.Side) appearing for the respondent Police submitted that the petitioners enquiry is pending against the petitioners.

3. In such circumstances, this Court is of the firm view that the respondent Police may be directed to follow the procedure as laid down by the Hon'ble Supreme Court in ***Satender Kumar Antil v. Central Bureau Of Investigation*** reported in ***(2026 INSC 115)*** and ***2025 SCC OnLine SC 1578*** and the Investigating Officer has to conduct the enquiry by strictly following the procedures therein and if any *prima facie* case is made out against the petitioners, register the F.I.R or close the petition enquiry within a period of two weeks from today. The parties are directed to co-operate with the enquiry. It is needless to say that the respondent police shall not take any coercive steps to secure the accused till the completion of enquiry, on the complaint lodged by the defacto complainant.



4. With the above directions, this criminal original petition is disposed of.

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To

1. The Inspector of Police,
Central Crime Branch,
Avadi, Chennai-600 054.
Crime No. Not Known of 2026.

2. The Public Prosecutor,
High Court of Madras.



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