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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 04-06-2026

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THE HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE C.KUMARAPPAN

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Dilip Singh

..Petitioner(s)

Vs

The State Rep By,
The Inspector of Police
Thoppur Police Station,
Dharmapuri District.
(Crime No.118 of 2026)

..Respondent(s)

Prayer:- Criminal Original Petition is filed under Section 483 of BNSS, 2023, pleaded to enlarge the petitioner on bail in Crime No. 118 of 2026 on the file of the Inspector of Police, Thoppur Police Station, Dharmapuri District.

For Petitioner(s):

Mr.B.Vasudevan

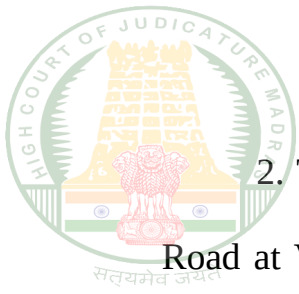
For Respondent(s):

Mr.S.Yogaraja Sekar

Government Advocate (Criminal side)

ORDER

The petitioner, who was arrested and remanded to judicial custody on 01.05.2026 for the alleged offences under Sections 123 of BNS 2023, and Section 7 (2) of the Cigarettes and other Tobacco Products (Prohibition of Advertisement and Regulation of Trade and Commerce, Production, Supply and Distribution) Act, 2003, in Crime No.118 of 2026 on the file of the respondent police, seeks bail.



2. The case of the prosecution is that during a vehicle check near Salem Road at Vellakal Junction, on 01.05.2026, at about 20.00 hours, the petitioner and other accused were transporting twenty-seven bags of tobacco products in a car. Hence the case.

3. The learned counsel for the petitioner submitted that the petitioner is innocent and has been in custody since 01.05.2026. He further submitted that the petitioner is ready to abide by any stringent condition that may be imposed by this Court and ready to co-operate for investigation. Hence, he prays to grant bail to the petitioner.

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

5. Considering the fact that a major portion of the investigation may have been completed by this time, and that the petitioner has been incarcerated since 01.05.2026, this Court is inclined to grant bail to the petitioner with certain conditions.



6. Accordingly, the petitioner is ordered to be released on bail on his executing 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 **Judicial Magistrate No.2, Dharmapuri**, and subject to the following conditions:

[a] 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 the identity proofs to ensure their identity;

[b] the petitioner shall report before the respondent police daily morning at 10.30 AM and evening at 5.30 PM until further orders;

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

[d] the petitioner shall not tamper with the evidence or witness either during investigation or trial;

[e] on breach of any of the aforementioned conditions, the learned Magistrate/Trial Court is entitled to take appropriate action against the petitioner in accordance with law as if the conditions had been imposed and the petitioner released on bail by the learned Magistrate/Trial Court itself, as laid down by the Hon'ble Supreme Court in ***P.K.Shaji vs. State of Kerala [(2005)13 SCC 283]***;



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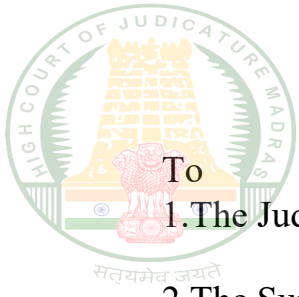
[f] if the petitioner thereafter abscond, a fresh FIR may be registered under Section 269 of the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023.

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To

1. The Judicial Magistrate No.2, Dharmapuri.

2. The Superintendent of Prison,
Central Prison, Salem.

3. The Inspector of Police
Thoppur Police Station,
Dharmapuri District.

4. The Public Prosecutor
High Court of Madras.



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