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Crl.O.P.No.14142 of 2026

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED : 05.06.2026

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THE HONOURABLE Mr. JUSTICE C.KUMARAPPAN

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1.G.Chidambaram
2.V.Keerthivasan

... Petitioners

Vs.

State Rep. by
The Inspector of Police,
SIPCOT Police Station,
Ranipet District.
(Crime No.117 of 2026)

... Respondent

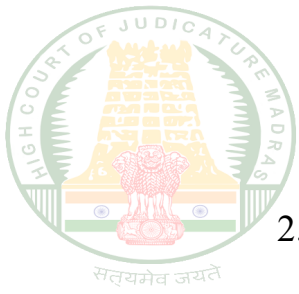
PRAYER : Criminal Original Petition filed under Section 482 of the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, Act, 2023, praying to enlarge the petitioners on anticipatory bail in the event of their arrest in Crime No.117 of 2026 pending investigation on the file of the respondent police.

For Petitioners : Mr.M.Duraimurugan

For Respondent : Mrs.R.S.Indira,
Government Advocate (Crl.Side)

ORDER

The petitioners apprehend arrest for the alleged offences under Sections 303(2) and 326(a) of BNS, in Crime No.117 of 2026 on the file of the respondent police seeks anticipatory bail.



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2. The allegation against the petitioners is that they were found transporting 1/4 unit of river sand illegally without valid permit. Hence, the complaint.

3. The learned counsel for the petitioners submitted that the petitioners are innocent and have not committed any offence as alleged by the prosecution and that they have been falsely implicated in this case. He further submitted that the petitioners are ready to co-operate with the investigation. Hence, he prayed for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioners.

4. The learned Government Advocate (Crl.Side) appearing for the respondent police opposed the anticipatory bail on the ground that four previous cases of a similar nature are pending against the first petitioner. She further submitted that no previous case is pending against the second petitioner.

5. Taking into consideration of the totality of the circumstances and the fact that four previous cases are pending against the first petitioner, this Court is not inclined to grant anticipatory bail to him. **Accordingly, this Criminal**



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Original Petition stands dismissed insofar as the first petitioner is concerned.

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6. Insofar as the second petitioner is concerned, no previous case is pending against him. Therefore, this Court is of the firm view that, at this length of time, further custodial interrogation of the second petitioner is not required and this Court is inclined to grant anticipatory bail to the second petitioner, subject to certain conditions.

7. Accordingly, the second petitioner is ordered to be released on bail in the event of arrest or on his 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, Ranipet**, 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;



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(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 twice a day at 10.30 a.m., and 5.30 p.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.

8. In the result, this Criminal Original Petition is allowed insofar as the second petitioner is concerned and dismissed insofar as the first petitioner is concerned.

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To

- 1.The District Munsif cum Judicial Magistrate, Ranipet.
- 2.The Inspector of Police,
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Ranipet District.
- 3.The Public Prosecutor,
High Court of Madras.



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