



IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 08-06-2026

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THE HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE C.KUMARAPPAN

CRL OP No. 14300 of 2026

1. Rajavel
S/o. Rangasamy,
37A, Middle Street,
Arulambadi, Sankarapuram,
Villupuram District.
2. Saroja
37A, Middle Street, Arulambadi,
Sankarapuram, Villupuram District.

..Petitioner(s)

Vs

The State Rep by its The Inspector of Police
All Women Police Station,
Thirukovilur, Kallakurichi District.
in Crime No.24 of 2026

..Respondent(s)

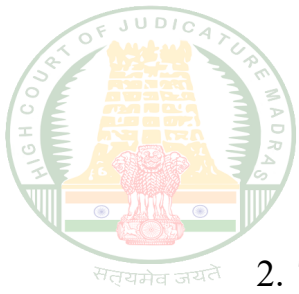
PRAYER : Criminal Original Petition filed under Section 482 of BNSS, 2023, to enlarge the petitioners on bail in the event of their arrest in Cr.No.24 of 2026 on the file of the respondent police and thus render justice.

For Petitioner(s): M/s.R. Raji

For Respondent(s): M/s.R.S.Indira,
Government Advocate (Crl.Side)

ORDER

The petitioners apprehend arrest at the hands of the respondent police for the offences punishable under Sections 85, 296(b) and 351(2) of BNS, 2023 r/w Section 4 of TNPHW, in Crime No.24 of 2026, on the file of the respondent Police, seek anticipatory bail.



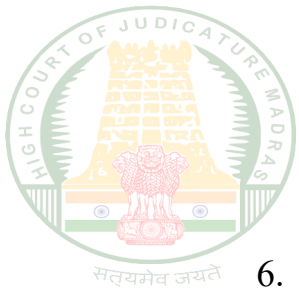
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2. The allegation against the petitioners is that they are the in-laws and the defacto complainant, whose marriage with the petitioners' son gave rise to matrimonial disputes, pursuant to which the present complaint came to be lodged. It is further alleged that the petitioners demanded dowry from the defacto complainant. Hence, the complaint.

3. The learned counsel appearing for the petitioners submitted that the petitioners are innocent and they have been falsely implicated in this case. He further submitted that they are ready to abide by any conditions that may be imposed by this Court. Hence, he seeks anticipatory bail to the petitioners.

4. The learned Government Advocate (Crl.Side) appearing for the respondent police reiterated the prosecution case and, upon instructions, submitted that there are totally three accused and the petitioners herein are ranked as A2 and A3. He further submitted that the petitioners have no bad antecedents against them. Hence, he opposed to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioners.

5. I have given anxious consideration to the submissions made by the learned counsel on either side.



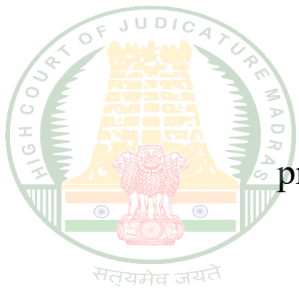
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6. Considering the age of the petitioners, the fact that they are the in-laws of the defacto complainant, and that the alleged occurrence is said to have taken place on 04.03.2026, whereas the FIR came to be registered only on 17.05.2026, this Court is of the firm view that, at this length of time, custodial interrogation of the petitioners is not required. Hence, this Court is inclined to enlarge the petitioners on anticipatory bail, subject to certain conditions.

7. Accordingly, the petitioners are 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 Judicial Magistrate, Sankarapuram**, on condition that **the petitioners shall execute a separate 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:

(a) If the petitioners 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 slip (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 petitioners shall report before the respondent police 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 petitioners in accordance with law as if the conditions have been imposed and the petitioners 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 petitioners thereafter absconds, a fresh FIR can be registered under Section 269 of BNS Act.

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DRL

To

1.The Judicial Magistrate,
Sankarapuram.

2.The Inspector of Police
All Women Police Station,
Thirukovilur, Kallakurichi District.

3.The Public Prosecutor,
High Court, Madras.



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