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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 10-06-2026

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THE HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE C.KUMARAPPAN

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..Petitioner

Vs

State Rep By,
The Inspector of Police,
Veppur Police Station,
Cuddalore District.
Crime No.180 of 2026

..Respondent

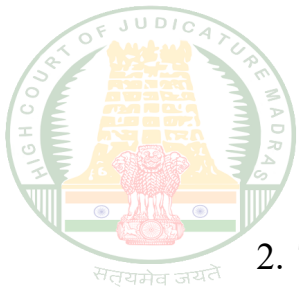
PRAYER: Criminal Original Petition filed under Section 482 of Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023, to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner in the event of arrest in connection with Crime No.180 of 2026 pending investigation on the file of the respondent police.

For Petitioner: Mr.Balaganesan

For Respondent: Mr.N.Palanivel
Government Advocate (Crl.Side)

ORDER

The petitioner apprehends arrest for the alleged offence under Sections 296(b), 115(2), 126(2), 351(2) of the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023 and Section 4 of the Tamil Nadu Prohibition of Harassment of Women Act, 2002 in Crime No.180 of 2026 on the file of the respondent police seeks anticipatory bail.



2. The case of the prosecution is that the petitioner abused the de facto complainant in filthy language, intimidated and threatened the de facto complainant with dire consequences. Hence, the case.

3. The learned counsel for the petitioner submitted that the occurrence took place on 26.05.2020 for which the complaint registered on 30.05.2026. He further submitted that there was previous enmity between the petitioner's family and the de facto complainant's family and in furtherance thereof, the present complaint came to be registered. He further submitted that the petitioner is innocent and he has not committed any offence as alleged by the defacto complainant and he has been falsely implicated in this case and is ready to abide by any conditions that may be imposed by this Court and ready to co-operate with the investigation. Hence, he prayed to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner.

4. The learned Government Advocate (Crl.Side) appearing for the respondent police reiterated the prosecution case and, upon instructions, submitted that there is no previous case pending against the petitioner and further submitted that no one was injured.

5. I have given my anxious consideration to either side submissions and



perused the materials available on record.

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6. Considering the facts and circumstances of the case, taking note of the submissions made by the learned counsel on both sides, while considering the factual position, there was delay of four days in registering the FIR. Considering the totality of the circumstances, this Court is of the firm view that custodial interrogation of the petitioner is not required. Hence, this Court is inclined to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner, subject to certain conditions.

7. Accordingly, the 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 Judicial Magistrate-1, Viruthachalam Court, Cuddalore District** on condition that **the petitioner shall execute a 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 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



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learned Magistrate shall obtain a copy of any one of identify proofs to ensure their identity;

(c) The petitioner shall stay at Sivagangai District and report before the Inspector of Police, S.V Mangalam Police Station, Sivagangai District everyday at 10.30 a.m., for a period of fifteen days 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.

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To

1. The Judicial Magistrate-1,
Viruthachalam Court,
Cuddalore District.

2. The Inspector of Police,
Veppur Police Station,
Cuddalore District.

3. The Public Prosecutor,
High Court of Madras.



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