



IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 10-06-2026

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THE HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE C.KUMARAPPAN

CRL OP No. 14529 of 2026

1. Rajendran. S
S/o.Sevanan
No.2/222A, Thuneri, Anikorai, The Nilgiris.
2. Karthikeyan. R
S/o. Rajendran,
No.2/222(2), Keelkeri, Thuneri, Anikorai,
The Nilgiris.
3. Murali. B
S/o. K. Belli,
No.2/468, Thuneri, Anikorai, The Nilgiris.
4. Kamala. S
D/o.Sevanan
No.2/222B, Thuneri, Anikorai, The Nilgiris

..Petitioner(s)

Vs

State Represented by Inspector of Police
Denaducombai Police Station,
The Nilgiris.
Crime No.26 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 arrest pending investigation in Crime No.26 of 2026 on the file the respondent police.

For Petitioner(s): M/S. K. Balasubramaniam

For Respondent(s): MS.R.S.INDIRA,
GOVT.ADVOCATE (CRL.SIDE)



ORDER

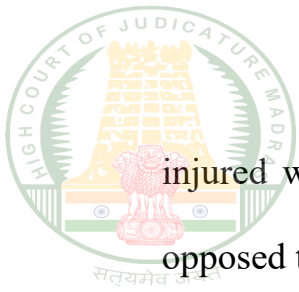
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The petitioners apprehend arrest at the hands of the respondent police for the offences punishable under Sections 296(b), 115(2), 118(1), 351(1) of BNS, 2023 in Crime No.26 of 2026, on the file of the respondent Police, seek anticipatory bail.

2. The case of the prosecution is that, due to a parking dispute in a temple festival, a wordy quarrel arose between the petitioners and the defacto complainant, which subsequently escalated into an assault. Hence, the complaint.

3. The learned counsel appearing for the petitioners submitted that the petitioners are innocent and have been falsely implicated in this case. He further submitted that the petitioners and the defacto complainant belong to the same village and that the petitioners 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 the alleged occurrence took place on 01.06.2026 and that the



injured was discharged from the hospital on the very next day, Hence, he opposed to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioners.

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

6. Considering the totality of the circumstances, the fact that the entire issue arose out of a temple festival, and that the injured had been discharged from the hospital, this Court is of the firm view that 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, Additional Mahila Court, Udhagamandalam**, 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 stay at Trichy and report before the Trichy Cantonment Police Station, daily at 10.30 a.m, for a period of 15 days and thereafter appear 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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To

1. The Judicial Magistrate,
Additional Mahila Court, Udhagamandalam.

2.The Inspector of Police
.Denaducombai Police Station,
The Nilgiris.

3.The Public Prosecutor,
High Court, Madras.



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