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Crl.O.P.No.14610 of 2026

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED : 10.06.2026

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THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE C.KUMARAPPAN

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Punniyamoorthy

... Petitioner

Vs.

The State Represented by,
The Inspector of Police,
Prohibition Enforcement Wing,
Villupuram Police Station,
Villupuram District.
(Crime No.182 of 2026)

... Respondent

PRAYER: Criminal Original Petition filed under Section 482 of Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023, praying to enlarge the petitioner anticipatory bail in the event of his arrest in Crime No.182 of 2026 pending investigation on the file of the respondent police.

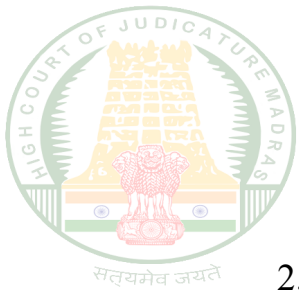
For Petitioner : Mr.C.Pushparaj

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

ORDER

The petitioner, who apprehends arrest at the hands of the respondent police for the offences punishable under Section 4(1)(A) of the Tamil Nadu Prohibition Act, in Crime No.182 of 2026, on the file of the respondent Police, seeks anticipatory bail.

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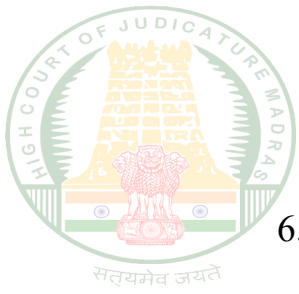
2. The case of the prosecution is that the petitioner along with other accused were found in illegal possession of 50 bottles of Pondicherry liquor.

Hence, the case.

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

4. The learned Government Advocate (Crl. Side) appearing for the respondent police opposed the anticipatory bail application and would fairly submit that no previous case is pending against the petitioner

5. Taking into consideration of the totality of the circumstances and the fact that there is no bad antecedent against the petitioner, this Court is inclined to enlarge the petitioner on anticipatory bail, subject to certain conditions:



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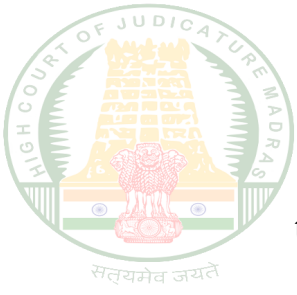
6. Accordingly, the petitioner is ordered to be released on bail in the event of arrest or on his appearance, within a period of fifteen (15) days from the date on which the order copy is made ready, before the learned **Judicial Magistrate No.II, Villupuram District**, on condition that **the petitioner 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 learned Magistrate shall obtain a copy of any one of identify proofs to ensure their identity;

(c) **The petitioner shall make a non-refundable deposit of Rs.10,000/- (Rupees Ten Thousand only) in favour of the Dean, Rajiv Gandhi Government General Hospital, Chennai.**

(d) **The petitioner shall report before the respondent police daily at 10.30 a.m. for a period of two weeks, and**



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thereafter as and when required for interrogation;

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(e) 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]***;

(f) 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 No.II, Villupuram District.
- 2.The Dean,
Rajiv Gandhi Government General Hospital, Chennai.
- 3.The Inspector of Police,
Prohibition Enforcement Wing,
Villupuram Police Station,
Villupuram District.
- 4.The Public Prosecutor,
High Court of Madras.



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