



IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 11-06-2026

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THE HON'BLE MR JUSTICE G.K. ILANTHIRAIYAN

CRL OP No. 14776 of 2026

Frederick Chandru

..Petitioner(s)

Vs

State Rep by Inspector of Police
F-4, Thousand Light Police station,
Chennai - 600 006

..Respondent(s)

Prayer:- Criminal Original Petition filed under Section 482 of B.N.S.S., to enlarge the Petitioner on bail in the event of arrest in Crime No.98 of 2026 on the file of the respondent police.

For Petitioner(s): M/S. Karthikeyan Sekar

For Respondent(s): Mr.N.Palanivel, GOVT.ADVOCATE (CRL.SIDE)

ORDER

The petitioner, who apprehends arrest for the alleged offence **under Section 318(2) & 336 of BNS, 2023**, in **Crime No.98 of 2026**, on the file of the respondent police seeks anticipatory bail.

2. The case of the prosecution is that the petitioner has offered job opportunity to the defacto complainant and others and extracted work from them, thereafter failed to pay salary and terminated them from the job. Hence,



the case.

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3. The learned counsel for the petitioner submitted that the petitioner is innocent and he has been falsely implicated in this case. He further submitted that the petitioner is ready to abide by any stringent conditions that may be imposed by this Court. Hence, he prayed for the grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner.

4. The learned Government Advocate (Crl. Side), appearing for the respondent police, while opposing the grant of anticipatory bail, reiterated the prosecution case and fairly submitted that the petitioner and other accused conducted interview with the defacto complainant and two others through online and informed that they were appointed in their company and also fixed the salary. However, they have not disclosed their place of work and called to a hotel on the pretext of work. He further submitted that the accused have not given the salary for them and cheated them. He also submitted that the investigation in this case is pending.

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

6. Considering the nature of allegations, the fact that the investigation in



this case is pending, this Court is of the 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, Egmore, on condition that the petitioner shall execute a bond for a sum of Rs.10,000/- (Rupees Ten 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(s) 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(s) shall report before the respondent police everyday at 10.30 a.m., for a period of two 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



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actions against the petitioner(s) in accordance with law as if the conditions have been imposed and the petitioner(s) 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(s) thereafter absconds, a fresh FIR can be registered under Section 269 of BNS Act.

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To

- 1.The Inspector of Police
F-4, Thousand Light Police station,
Chennai - 600 006
- 2.The Judicial Magistrate, Egmore.
- 3.The Public Prosecutor, High Court of Madras.



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