



IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 17-06-2026

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THE HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE C.KUMARAPPAN

CRL OP No. 15289 of 2026

Mohamed Ali

..Petitioner

Vs

The State represented by
The Inspector of Police,
Thirukannapuram Police Station,
Nagapattinam District.
Crime No.not known of 2026.

..Respondent

PRAYER: Criminal Original Petition filed under Section 482 of Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023, to enlarge the petitioner/accused on anticipatory bail in the event of his arrest in Crime No.not known of 2026 pending investigation on file of the respondent police.

For Petitioner:

Mr.M.Sarathkumar

For Respondent:

Ms.R.S.Indira
Government Advocate (Crl.Side)

ORDER

The petitioner apprehends arrest for the alleged offence under Sections 303(2), 3(5) of Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita (BNS), 2023 in Crime No.not known of 2026 on the file of the respondent police seeks anticipatory bail.

2. The case of the prosecution is that the petitioner, with dishonest intention, committed theft of cattle belonging to the defacto complainant from



his lawful possession without consent. Hence the case.

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3. The learned counsel appearing for the petitioner submitted that the FIR came to be registered in Crime No.91 of 2026 for the alleged occurrence relating to cattle theft and the occurrence is stated to have taken place on 28.05.2026. It is further submitted that the petitioner is innocent and has been falsely implicated in the case and is no way connected with the alleged offence. Therefore, he prayed to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner.

4. The learned Government Advocate (Crl. Side) appearing for the respondent submitted that the petitioner, with dishonest intention, committed theft of cattle belonging to the defacto complainant from his lawful possession. Hence, he opposed to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner.

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

6. This Court is of the view that taking into consideration the totality of the circumstances, the nature of the allegations and the date of occurrence (i.e on 28.05.2026), this Court is of the view that at this length of time, 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 Court No.1, Nagapattinam**, 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 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 actions against the petitioner in accordance with law as if the conditions have been imposed and the petitioner released on



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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 Inspector of Police,
Thirukannapuram Police Station, Nagapattinam District.
2. The Public Prosecutor, High Court of Madras.
3. The Judicial Magistrate Court No.I, Nagapattinam.



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