



IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 25-06-2026

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THE HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE C.KUMARAPPAN

CRL OP No. 16237 of 2026

C.Selvam

..Petitioner

Vs

The State rep.by
The Inspector of Police,
Polur Police Station,
Thiruvannamalai District.
Cr.No.142 of 2026.

..Respondent

PRAYER : Criminal Original Petition filed under Section 483 of Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023, to enlarge the petitioner on bail in respect of Cr.No.142 of 2026 on the file of Polur Police Station, Thiruvannamalai District, pending investigation.

For Petitioner:

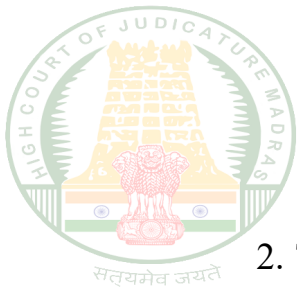
Mr.S.B.Viswanathan

For Respondent:

Mr.S.Yogaraja Sekar
Counsel for Government of Tamil Nadu
(Criminal Side)

ORDER

The petitioner, who was arrested and remanded to judicial custody on 12.06.2026 for the alleged offence under 303(2) and 326(a) of the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023 (sections 379 and 430 of Indian Penal Code respectively), read with section 21(5) of the Mines and Minerals (Development and Regulation) Act, 1957 in Crime No.142 of 2026 on the file of the respondent police, seeks bail.



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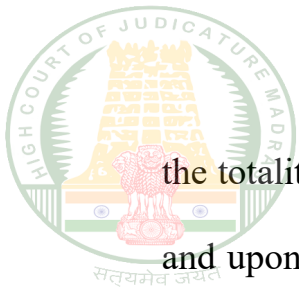
2. The allegation against the petitioner is that the petitioner was involved in illegal transportation of one unit of river sand without any valid permit or licence by using pickup truck and that the petitioner was caught red handed by the respondent police. Hence, the case.

3. The learned counsel for the petitioner submitted that the petitioner was innocent and that he has been falsely implicated in this case. He further submitted that he is ready to abide by any stringent condition that may be imposed by this Court and he is ready to co-operate for investigation. Hence, he prays to grant 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 no previous cases have been registered against the petitioner. However, he opposed to grant bail to the petitioner.

5. I have given my anxious consideration to the submissions made by the learned counsel on either side and perused the materials available on record.

6. Considering the facts and circumstances of the case; taking note of the submission made by the learned Government counsel (Crl.Side); considering



the totality of the circumstances and the period of incarceration of the petitioner and upon the fact that there is no previous cases pending against the petitioner, this Court is of the firm view that for the purpose of investigation, custodial interrogation of the petitioner is not required. Hence, this Court is inclined to grant bail to the petitioner, subject to certain conditions.

7. Accordingly, the petitioner is ordered to be released on bail on his executing a bond for a sum of **Rs.25,000/- (Rupees Twenty Five Thousand only)** with **two sureties each**, for a like sum to the satisfaction of the **learned Judicial Magistrate Court, Polur**, and on further conditions that:

[a] 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 the identity proofs to ensure their identity;

[b] the petitioner shall report before the learned respondent police daily at 10.30 a.m., for the period of four weeks and thereafter, as and when required for interrogation;

[c] the petitioner shall not abscond either during investigation or trial;

[d] the petitioner shall not tamper with the evidence or witness either during investigation or trial;

[e] On breach of any of the aforementioned conditions, the learned Magistrate/Trial Court is entitled to pass



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appropriate orders against the petitioner in accordance with law as if the aforementioned conditions have been imposed and the petitioner released on bail by the learned Magistrate/Trial Court himself as laid down by the Hon'ble Supreme Court in **P.K.Shaji vs. State of Kerala [(2005)13 SCC 283]**;

[f] If the accused thereafter absconds, a fresh FIR can be registered under Section 269 of B.N.S.

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To:

1. The Judicial Magistrate Court,
Polur
2. The Inspector of Police,
Polur Police Station,
Thiruvannamalai District.
3. The Sub Jail,
Polur
4. The Public Prosecutor
High Court of Madras



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