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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 29-06-2026

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THE HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE C.KUMARAPPAN

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Thirunavukarasu
S/o. Somasundaram,
No. 3/6, Mariyamman Kovil Street,
Senthamangalam,
Ulundurpet Taluk,
Kallakurichi District 607 204

..Petitioner/
2nd Accused

Vs

The State Rep.by, The Inspector of Police,
Thirunavalur Police Stat ion,
Kallakurichi District.
Cr.No.128 of 2026.

..Respondent/
complainant

Prayer: Criminal Original Petition filed under Section 482 of the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, Act, 2023, to enlarge the petitioner / Accused on Anticipatory bail in the event of his arrest in Cr.No.128 of 2026 pending investigation on the file of the Respondent Police, (Thirunavalur Police Station, Kallakurichi District).

For Petitioner(s): Mr. S.Mageshkumar

For Respondent(s): Mr.N.Palanivel, Govt.Advocate (crl.Side)



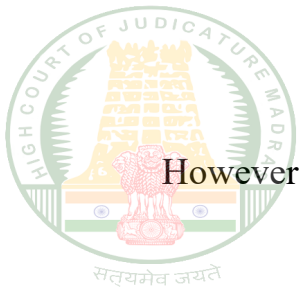
ORDER

The petitioner, who apprehends arrest for the alleged offence **Sections 303(2) of BNS,2023 r/w Section 21(1) of Mines & Minerals (Development & Regulation) Act, 1957** in **Crime No.128 of 2026**, on the file of the respondent police seeks anticipatory bail.

2. The allegation against the petitioner is that the petitioner was involved in illegal transportation of $\frac{1}{4}$ unit of river sand without any valid permit or licence by using a bullock-cart 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 anticipatory 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 anticipatory bail to the petitioner.

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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. From the submission made by the learned Government Advocate (Crl.Side) the petitioner does not have any previous cases. Though, this Court views the offence of theft of natural resources and its exploitation as serious offence, taking into consideration of the fact that he has no previous case, and upon the fond hope that he would mend himself in future and would not come under the adverse notice of the respondent, this Court is inclined to enlarge him on anticipatory bail, 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 days from the date on which the order copy is made ready, before the **Judicial Magistrate Court No-II, Ulundurpet at Kallakurichi District**, on condition that the **petitioner shall execute 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 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;

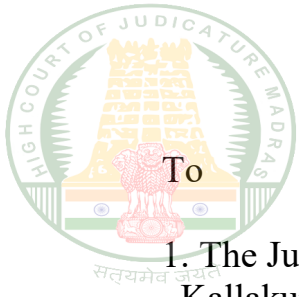
(c) The petitioner shall report before the respondent police daily at 10.30 am for a period of four weeks;

(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 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 Judicial Magistrate Court No-II, Ulundurpet,
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2. The Inspector of Police,
Thirunavalur Police Station,
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3. The Public Prosecutor,
High Court, Madras.

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