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Crl.O.P.No.31808 of 2025

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED : 27.01.2026

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THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE K.RAJASEKAR

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Ragavi

... Petitioner/A3

Vs.

The State of Tamil Nadu,
The Inspector of Police,
Singanallur Police Station,
Coimbatore
Crime No.466 of 2025

... Respondent

PRAYER : Criminal Original Petition filed under Section 482 of Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023, to enlarge the petitioner on anticipatory bail in the event of his arrest in Crime No.466 of 2025 on the file of the respondent police.

For Petitioner : Mr.M.Dinesh Sharma
For Respondent : M/s.J.R.Archana
Government Advoca (Crl. Side)



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ORDER

The petitioner herein apprehends arrest at the hands of the respondent police for the offences punishable under Sections 316(4), 344 & 61(2) of BNS, 2023 in Crime No.466 of 2025, on the file of the respondent Police, seek anticipatory bail.

2. The allegation against the petitioner is that the petitioner/A3 joining hands with other accused, who are employees under the jewellery shop belongs to the defacto complainant, have stolen 853 grams gold jewels and pledged the same in the nearby shop. Hence, the case.

3. The learned counsel appearing for the petitioner submitted that petitioner is A3 and she was not directly benefitted in the alleged misappropriation. He further submitted that, petitioner is ready to abide by any stringent condition that may be imposed by this Court. Hence, he prayed for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner.

4. The learned Government Advocate (Crl. Side) reiterated the prosecution case and submitted that investigation revealed that stolen jewels



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were pledged in the pawn shop by A2 and A4 and property not recovered, hence opposed to grant bail to petitioner.

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5. I have gone through the materials available on record including the statement recorded from the pawn shop owner.

6. It is seen that the majority of the allegation is only as against A2 & A4 though property is not recovered, since the petitioner has not benefitted financially, this Court is inclined to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner with 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 of receipt of a copy of this order, before the learned **Judicial Magistrate No.III, Coimbatore** on condition that each of the petitioner shall execute a bond for a sum of **Rs.15,000/- (Rupees Fifteen Thousand Only)** with two **sureties** each for a like sum to the satisfaction of the learned Magistrate concerned, and on further condition that:

[a] if the petitioner fails to surrender before the concerned Magistrate within a period of fifteen days from



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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 the identity proofs to ensure their identity;

[c] the petitioner shall report before the respondent police daily 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 aforementioned conditions, the learned Magistrate/Trial Court is entitled to pass 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]**;

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



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To

1. Judicial Magistrate No.III, Coimbatore
2. The Inspector of Police,
Singanallur Police Station,
Coimbatore
- 3.The Public Prosecutor,
High Court of Madras.



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