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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 04-11-2026

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THE HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE N.RAMESH

CRL OP No. 30631 of 2026

CNR: {HCMA012487722026}

1. Jasmine Thangam

2. M.Paramanantham

3. P.Muthu

..Petitioner(s)

Vs

The State Rep. By,
The Inspector of Police
Cyber Crime Police Station,
S2 Airport Police Station,
Meenambakkam, Chennai.
Crime No.4 of 2025.

..Respondent(s)

PRAYER

This Criminal Original Petition is filed under Section 482 of BNSS praying to enlarge the petitioners on bail in the event of their arrest in Cr.No.4 of 2025 under section 351(4) of the BNS,2023 and 67A of the Information Technology(amendment) act 2008(on the file of Cyber Crime Police Station,S2 Airport Police Station, Meenambakkam, Chennai.

For Petitioner(s): Mr.George William

For Respondent(s): Mr.R.Rajasekaran
Government Advocate (Crl.Side)

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The petitioners apprehend arrest for the alleged offences under Sections 351(4) of BNS and 67A of the Information Technology (Amendment) Act **in Crime No.4 of 2025** on the file of the respondent police seeks anticipatory bail.

2. The case of the prosecution is that the petitioners were uploaded the defacto complainant and her family members photos along with cinema songs and they were improperly edited and uploaded on face book without their consent and thereby causing severe mental agony.

3. The learned counsel for the petitioners submitted that the petitioners are innocent and a false case has been foisted against them and that they have not committed any offence as alleged by the prosecution. He further submitted that the defacto complaint is none other than the sister in law of the first petitioner's husband. He further submitted that the defacto complainant lodged a very same complaint before the Commissioner of Police, Cyber Crime, St.Thomas Mount, Chennai and the same was closed after completion of enquiry. He further submitted that matrimonial proceedings are pending between the defacto complainant's brother in law and the first petitioner.

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4. Per contra, the learned Government Advocate (Crl.Side) appearing for the respondent police reiterated the prosecution case and opposed to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioners.

5. I have given my anxious consideration to either side submissions.

6. Considering the nature of the allegations, the relationship between the parties, and the ongoing matrimonial dispute between the family members, as well as the submissions made by the learned counsel for both sides, this Court is of the firm view that the custodial interrogation of the petitioners is not required. Hence, this Court is inclined to enlarge the petitioners on anticipatory bail, subject to certain conditions.

7. Accordingly, the petitioners are ordered to be released on bail in the event of arrest or on their appearance, within a period of fifteen (15) days from the date on which the order copy is made ready, before the **learned V Metropolitan Magistrate, Egmore, Chennai.** on condition that **each of the petitioners 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:

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(a) If the petitioners fail 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 slip (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 petitioners shall report before the respondent police daily at 10.30 am 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 petitioners in accordance with law as if the conditions have been imposed and the petitioners are 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 petitioners thereafter abscond, a fresh FIR can be registered under Section 269 of BNS Act.

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To

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   Egmore, Chennai.

2. The Inspector of Police
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   S2 Airport Police Station,
   Meenambakkam, Chennai.

3. The Public Prosecutor,
   High Court, Chennai.

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