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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 27-10-2026

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THE HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE N.RAMESH

CRL OP No. 30338 of 2026

1.Subha,
W/o.Rajendran

2.Aravinth Lakshmanan,
S/o.Rajendran

3.Anandharam,
S/o.Rajendran ...Petitioners/Accused 1 to 3

Vs

The State represented by,
The Inspector of Police,
Palladam Police Station,
Tiruppur District. ...Respondent/Complainant
Crime No.1048 of 2026

Criminal Original Petition filed under Section 482 of Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita (BNSS) 2023, to enlarge the petitioners on anticipatory bail in the event of their arrest in Crime No.1048 of 2026 pending investigation on the file of the respondent police.

For Petitioner(s): Mr.M.N.Balakrishnan
For Respondent(s): Mr. R. Rajasekaran,
Government Advocate (Crl.side)

ORDER

The petitioners, apprehending arrest at the hands of the respondent Police for the alleged offences punishable under Section 296(b), 115(2) and 351(3) of B.N.S 2023 r/w Section 4 of TNPHW Act, in Crime No.1048 of 2026 on the file of the respondent Police, has approached this Court seeking anticipatory bail.

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2. The case of the prosuection is that a dispute arose over the return of six sovereigns of gold received by the first petitioner in 2022, during which the petitioners allegedly abused and assaulted the complainant and threatened her with dire consequences. The petitioners, however, contend that the complainant and her associates attacked them with a vegetable cutter, pursuant to which a counter-case was registered in Crime No.1047 of 2026 under Sections 296(b), 115(2), and 351(3) of the BNS, 2023.

3. The learned counsel for the petitioners submitted that the petitioners are innocent, have been falsely implicated in this case and have not committed any offence as alleged by the prosecution. He also submitted that the petitioners are ready to abide by any conditions that may be imposed by this Court and sought anticipatory bail for the petitioners.

4. The learned Government Advocate (Criminal Side) appearing for the respondent police reiterated the prosecution case and opposed to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioners. He further submitted that the investigation is still pending.

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

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6. Considering the nature of the allegations, the dispute between the parties, and the registration of a counter-case in Crime No.1047 of 2026, this Court is inclined to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioners, subject to the following conditions.

7. Accordingly, the petitioners are ordered to be released on anticipatory 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 Judicial Magistrate Court, Palladam,** on condition that **the petitioner shall execute a bond for a sum of Rs.20,000/- each (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 petitioners 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;

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(c) The fist petitioner, being a woman, shall appear before the respondent police as and when required. The second and third petitioners shall report before the respondent police daily at 10:30 A.M., until further orders;

(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 absconds, a fresh FIR can be registered under Section 269 of BNS Act.

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To

1.The Judicial Magistrate Court,
Palladam.

2.The Inspector of Police,
Palladam Police Station,
Tiruppur District.

3.The Public Prosecutor,
High Court of Madras.

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