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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 23-10-2026

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THE HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE N.RAMESH

CRL OP No. 30654 of 2026

CNR: {HCMA012515702026}

N.Deepak Kumar Jena,
S/o Nrusingha Charan Jena,
No.C-68, Oorur Kuppam,
Besant Nagar,
Chennai - 600 020.

..Petitioner(s)

Vs

The State of Tamil Nadu rep by
The Inspector of Police,
W-30, All Women Police Station,
Neelankarai,
Chennai-600 041.
Crime No.19 of 2026.

..Respondent(s)

PRAYER: Criminal Original Petition filed under Section 483 BNSS, praying to enlarge the petitioner on bail in Crime No.19 of 2026 on the file of Inspector of Police, W-30, All Women Police Station, Neelankarai, Chennai – 600 041.

For Petitioner(s): Mr.J.Selvarajan

For Respondent(s): Mrs.R.S.Indira,
Additional Public Prosecutor

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The petitioner, who was arrested and remanded to judicial custody on 13.07.2026 for the alleged offences under Sections 5(l) read with Section 6(1)

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of the Protection of Children from Sexual Offences (POCSO) Act, 2012, in Crime No.19 of 2026 on the file of the respondent police, has filed this petition seeking bail.

2.The case of the prosecution is that the petitioner, aged about 38 years, repeatedly committed penetrative sexual assault on a minor child aged about 7 years, recorded the acts on video, and threatened to upload the videos on the internet. Hence, the complaint.

3.The learned counsel for the petitioner submitted that the petitioner is innocent and has been falsely implicated in this case. He further submitted that the petitioner has been in judicial custody since 13.07.2026, his further custodial interrogation is not required. He also submitted that the petitioner is ready to cooperate with the investigation and abide by any stringent conditions imposed by this Court.

4.The learned Additional Public Prosecutor appearing for the respondent police opposed the grant of bail, submitting that both the petitioner and the victim’s family originally hail from Odisha. She further submitted that the investigation is almost complete and that the charge sheet is yet to be filed. She

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apprehended that, if released on bail, the petitioner may tamper with the evidence or abscond.

5.Heard the learned counsel for the petitioner and the learned Additional Public Prosecutor appearing for the respondent police and perused the materials available on record.

6.Considering the nature and gravity of the allegations, the tender age of the victim, and the alleged repeated sexual assault accompanied by the recording of the acts on video and threats to circulate the same, this Court is not inclined to grant bail to the petitioner at this stage.

7.Accordingly, this Criminal Original Petition is dismissed.

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To

1.The Special Judge for Exclusive Trial of Cases POCSO Act,
Chennai.

2.The Inspector of Police,
W-30, All Women Police Station,
Neelankarai,
Chennai-600 041.

3.The Public Prosecutor,
High Court of Madras.

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