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**IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS**

**DATED: 30-10-2026**

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**THE HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE N.RAMESH**

**CRL OP No. 30379 of 2026**

*CNR: {HCMA012521332026}*

Dhanaraj

..Petitioner(s)

Vs

State Rep by
The Inspector of Police
Mallasamudram Police Station,
Namakkal District.

..Respondent(s)

PRAYER

This Criminal Original Petition is filed under Section 482 of BNSS, praying to grant the anticipatory bail in to the petitioner in the event of arrest in connection with Crime No.153 of 2026 on the file of respondent police and thus render Justice.

For Petitioner(s): Mr.Rangesh Kanna

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



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The petitioner apprehends arrest for the alleged offences under Sections 5 & 7(3) of Lotteries Regulation Act and 318(4) of BNS in Crime No.153 of 2026 on the file of the respondent police seeks anticipatory bail.

2. The prosecution alleges that the petitioner possessed and sold banned lottery tickets.

3. The learned counsel for the petitioner submitted that the petitioner is innocent and a false case has been foisted against the petitioner and that he has not committed any offence as alleged by the prosecution. He further submitted that the petitioner is ready to abide by any stringent condition that may be imposed by this Court.

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 petitioner.

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



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6. Considering the nature of the allegation and the submissions made by the learned counsel on either side, this Court is of the firm view that, custodial interrogation of the petitioner is not required. Hence, this Court is inclined to enlarge the petitioner 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 (15) days from the date on which the order copy is made ready, before the **learned Judicial Magistrate, Thiruchengode o**n condition that **the petitioner 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:

(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 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;



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(c) **The petitioner shall report before the respondent police daily at 10.30 am for a period of 30 days 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 petitioner in accordance with law as if the conditions have been imposed and the petitioner is 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,
   Thiruchencode.

2. The Inspector of Police
   Mallasamudram Police Station,
   Namakkal District.

3. The Public Prosecutor,
   High Court, Chennai.



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**N.RAMESH, J.**

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