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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. 30563 of 2026

CNR: {HCMA012536382026}

Jothi Murugan
S/o Kalimuthu
No.107, Marandai,
Melaseithur, Sivaganga,
Tamil Nadu.

..Petitioner(s)

Vs

State Represented By, The Inspector of Police
Kalabur PS, Tiruvannamalai District
Crime NO. 75 of 2013

..Respondent(s)

PRAYER : Criminal Original Petition filed under Section 482 of the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, Act, 2023, to enlarge the petitioner on bail in the event of his arrest or on his surrender in CC No. 406 of 2025 on the file of the Judicial magistrate court, Arani, and thus render justice.

For Petitioner(s): K A M Jagadish Kumar

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

ORDER

The petitioner apprehends arrest for the alleged offence under Section 379 r/w. 341 of IPC in C.C.No.406 of 2025 (arising out of Crime No.447 of 2025) on the file of the respondent police seeks anticipatory bail.

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2. The case of the prosecution is that the petitioner along with other accused had stolen the batteries while installing cell phone towers at Thiruvannamalai District. Hence, the complaint.

3. The learned Government Advocate (Crl. Side) submitted that the petitioner was already granted anticipatory bail by this Court in Crl.O.P.No.2777 of 2023 vide order dated 08.02.2023.

4. It is seen that this Court, vide order dated 08.02.2023 in Crl.O.P.No.2777 of 2023, had granted anticipatory bail with a direction to the petitioner to surrender before the concerned Court within a period of fifteen (15) days, he failed to avail the benefit of the said order. Thereafter, despite his non-appearance, the investigation was completed and charge sheet was filed. Since the petitioner failed to appear even after the filing of the charge sheet, a Non-Bailable Warrant (NBW) was issued against him by the trial court. This present petition has been filed seeking anticipatory bail in apprehension of arrest in execution of the said NBW. It is further submitted that the co-accused in this case has already pleaded guilty.

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5. Considering the aforesaid facts and circumstances, and especially the conduct of the petitioner, I am not inclined to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner. Accordingly, this Criminal Original Petition is dismissed.

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Index: Yes/No
Speaking/Non-speaking order
Neutral Citation: Yes/No

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To
1. The Inspector of Police
Kalabur PS, Tiruvannamalai District
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2. The Public Prosecutor, High Court of Madras.

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