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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 29-10-2026

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THE HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE N.RAMESH

CRL OP No. 31304 of 2026

CNR: {HCMA012572912026}

G.Ramesh

..Petitioner(s)

Vs

The State rep by
The Inspector of Police
Vettavalum Police Station
Vettavalum,
Tiruvannamalai.
Crime No.197 of 2026.

..Respondent(s)

PRAYER

This Criminal Original Petition is filed under Section 482 of BNSS, praying to direct to release the petitioner on anticipatory bail in the event of his arrest by the respondent Police in Crime No.197 of 2026 on the file of the Inspector of Police, Velampalayam Police Station, Tiruppur and pass such further or other orders as this Honble Court may deem fit and proper in the circumstances of the case and thus render Justice.

For Petitioner(s): Ms.K.Udaya Selvi

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

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ORDER

The petitioner apprehends arrest for the alleged offences under Sections 296(b), 115(2), 118(1), 351(3), 329(4) and 126(2) of BNS read with Section 4 of the Tamil Nadu Prohibition of Harassment of Women Act in Crime No.**197 of 2026** on the file of the respondent police seeks anticipatory bail.

2. The case of the prosecution is that due to prior enmity regarding a house property, the petitioner, along with the other co-accused, attempted to trespass into the house of the de facto complainant. It is alleged that the petitioner abused her in filthy language, assaulted her on her chest and leg, and criminally intimidated her by brandishing a crowbar and a wooden log. Furthermore, the petitioner unloaded soil from a tipper lorry directly in front of her house.

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 co-accused had already been granted anticipatory bail.

4. Per contra, the learned Government Advocate (Criminal Side) appearing for the respondent Police reiterated the prosecution's case and

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submitted that the petitioner is the prime accused (A1), who has one previous case pending against him. He fairly submitted that the injured has already been discharged from the hospital. However, noting the petitioner's role, he opposed the grant of anticipatory bail.

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

6. Considering the nature of the allegations and the fact that the dispute between the parties is civil in nature, alongside the fact that the co-accused has already been granted anticipatory bail and the injured has been discharged from the hospital, this Court is of the firm view that the 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 District Munsif cum Judicial Magistrate, Kilpennathur, Thiruvannamalai** on 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:

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(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;

(c) **The petitioner shall report before the respondent police daily at 10.30 am 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 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 District Munsif cum Judicial Magistrate
   Kilpennathur.

2. The Inspector of Police
   Velampalayam Police Station,
   Tiruppur.

3. The Public Prosecutor,
   High Court, Chennai.

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N.RAMESH, J.

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