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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. 30960 of 2026

CNR: {HCMA012565482026}

Chandiran @ Chandru

..Petitioner

Vs

The State Rep.by,
The Station House Officer,
Kalapet Police Station,
Puducherry.
(Cr.No.256 of 2026)

..Respondent

PRAYER: Criminal Original Petition filed under Section 483 of Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023, to enlarge the petitioner on bail in the event of his arrest in the Cr.No.256 of 2026 on the file of the Respondent Police.

For Petitioner(s): Mr.L.Meenakshi

For Respondent(s): Mr.G.D.Jearany Omprakash
Government Advocate (Puduchery)

ORDER

The petitioner apprehends arrest for the alleged offence under Sections 308(4), 351(3) r/w 3(5) of the BNS, 2023 in Crime No.256 of 2026 on the file of the respondent police seeks anticipatory bail.

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2. The case of the prosecution is that the de facto complainant owned a resto-bar under the name of 'GOOA LIQUORS RESTAURANT'. It is alleged that while the de facto complainant was on his way to drop his staff, he was intercepted by the first accused and two others, who cut his finger and snatched his gold ring. It is further alleged that after the first accused was arrested and released on bail, he sent two unidentified persons to the aforesaid bar, who demanded money and liquor from the staff working there, threatening them with dire consequences if they failed to comply. Hence, the complaint.

3. The learned counsel for the petitioner submitted that the petitioner is innocent and has not committed any offence as alleged by the de facto complainant. He further submitted that the petitioner, who is arrayed as the second accused, was not present at the scene of occurrence and that no properties or weapons were seized from him; hence, he prayed for the grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner.

4. The learned Government Advocate (Puducherry) appearing for the respondent police reiterated the case of the prosecution and submitted that the de facto complainant’s finger was severed and that the petitioner, along with other accused, attempted to extort money from the de facto complainant; he, therefore, strongly opposed the grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner.

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5. I have given my anxious consideration to the submissions made by both sides and have perused the materials available on record.

6. From the submissions made by the learned Government Advocate (Puducherry) and upon perusal of the record, it is evident that this is a clear case of extortion. In view of the gravity of the offense, and as rightly contended by the learned Government Advocate (Puducherry), enlarging the petitioner on anticipatory bail would cause serious prejudice to the prosecution's case. Hence, this Court is not inclined to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner.

7. 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 Station House Officer,
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   (Cr.No.256 of 2026)

2. The Public Prosecutor,
   High Court of Madras.

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