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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. 31007 of 2026**

*CNR: {HCMA012566282026}*

Dhanapal
S/o Anandan,
Old Street, Old Arcot salai,Gandhi Road, Arani,
Tiruvannmalai.

..Petitioner(s)

Vs

The State Rep. by, The Inspector of Police
Arni Town Police Station,
Tiruvannamalai District.
Crime No.261 of 2026.

..Respondent(s)

**PRAYER :** Criminal Original Petition filed under Section 482 of the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, Act, 2023, praying to enlarge the Petitioner on bail in the event of arrest by the Respondent Police or on his appearance before the concerned court in connection with Cr.No.261 of 2026 on the file of Inspector of Police,Arni Town Police Station,Tiruvannamalai District and thus render justice.

For Petitioner(s): Kalaikumar S

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

**ORDER**

The petitioner apprehends arrest for the alleged offences under Sections 296(b), 115(2), 118(1) & 351(3) of BNS, in Crime No.261 of 2026 on the file of the respondent police, seeks anticipatory bail.



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2. The prosecution's case is that on 13.10.2026, at about 10:30 p.m., a verbal altercation arose between the de facto complainant and the accused persons. Consequently, the accused allegedly assaulted him with their hands and a stone, abused him using filthy language, and threatened him with dire consequences.

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 co-accused has already been granted anticipatory bail by this Court vide order dated 15.10.2026 passed in Crl.O.P.No.29972 of 2026. Hence, he prays to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner.

4. Per contra, the learned Government Advocate (Crl.Side) appearing for the respondent police reiterated the prosecution case and he further submitted that the injured has already been discharged from the hospital. However, he 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 allegations, the fact that the injured has already been discharged from the hospital, and that the co-accused has already been granted anticipatory bail by this Court vide order dated 15.10.2026 passed in Crl.O.P.No.29972 of 2026, this Court is inclined to enlarge the petitioner on anticipatory bail, subject to the following 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, Arni** 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:

(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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**N.RAMESH, J.**

**MPA**

(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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Index: Yes/No
Speaking/Non-speaking order
Neutral Citation: Yes/No
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To
1. The Judicial Magistrate, Arni.

2. The Inspector of Police
Arni Town Police Station,
Tiruvannamalai District.
Crime No.261 of 2026.

3. The Public Prosecutor, High Court of Madras.

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