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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: **23-10-2026**

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THE HONOURABLE MR JUSTICE N. RAMESH

CRL OP NO.30991 of 2026

Gunasekaran ... Petitioner/ Accused

Vs

State Rep. by,
The Inspector of Police,
Kadampuliyur Police Station,
Cuddalore District.
(Crime No.316 of 2026) ... Respondent/ Complainant

PRAYER: Criminal Original Petition filed under Section 483 of Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023, to grant bail to the petitioner/accused in Crime No.316 of 2026 on the file of the respondent police.

For Petitioner(s) **:** Mr. K. Vijayakumar

For Respondent(s) **:** M/s. R.S. Indira
Additional Public Prosecutor

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ORDER

The petitioner, who was arrested and remanded to judicial custody on 21.09.2026, for the offences punishable under Sections 335, 340(2), 318(4), 296(b) and 351(2) of BNS in Crime No.316 of 2026, registered on the file respondent police, seeks bail. The earlier bail application of the petitioner herein was disposed of by this Court, vide order dated 08.10.2026 in Crl.O.P.No.29081 of 2026.

2. The case of the prosecution is that, the petitioner herein is a land Surveyor and on the false assurance of arranging free house-site pattas to the defacto complainant, received money through other accused. Hence, this case.

3. The learned counsel appearing for the petitioner submitted that the petitioner is innocent and he has been falsely implicated in this case. He further submitted that the amounts were said to have been allegedly received by other persons and this petitioner has not received any bribe. He further submitted that the petitioner is in judicial custody since 21.09.2026, the co-accused were already enlarged on bail and the petitioner is also ready to abide by any conditions that may be imposed by this Court and sought for bail to the petitioner.

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4. The learned Additional Public Prosecutor appearing for the respondent while opposing the bail to the petitioner, reiterated the prosecution case and submitted that the investigation of this case is pending.

5. Considering the facts and circumstances of the case, the nature of allegation, the fact that the amount is said to have been received by the co-accused and also taking note of the period of incarceration undergone by the petitioner, this Court is inclined to grant bail to the petitioner with certain conditions.

6. Accordingly, the petitioner is ordered to be released on bail on his executing a bond for a sum of **Rs.25,000/- (Rupees Twenty Five Thousand only)** with **two sureties**, for a like sum each to the satisfaction of the **learned Judicial Magistrate No.II, Panruti, Cuddalore District** and subject to the following conditions:

> [a] the sureties shall affix their photographs and Left Thumb Impression in the Application for Surety ship [Judicial Form No.46 annexed to 'The Criminal Rules of Practice, 2019']. The learned Magistrate shall obtain a copy of any one of the identity proofs to ensure their identity;

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[b] **the petitioner shall report before the respondent police daily at 10.30 a.m., until further orders**;

[c] the petitioner shall not abscond either during investigation or trial;

[d] the petitioner shall not tamper with the evidence or witness either during investigation or trial;

[e] On breach of any of the aforementioned conditions, the learned Magistrate/Trial Court is entitled to take appropriate action against the petitioner in accordance with law as if the conditions had been imposed and the petitioner released on bail by the learned Magistrate/Trial Court itself, as laid down by the Hon'ble Supreme Court in ***P.K.Shaji vs. State of Kerala [(2005)13 SCC 283];***

[f] if the petitioner thereafter absconds, a fresh FIR may be registered under Section 269 of the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023.

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To

1. The Judicial Magistrate No.II, Panruti, Cuddalore District.

2. The Inspector of Police,
   Kadampuliyur Police Station,
   Cuddalore District.
   (Crime No.316 of 2026)

3. The Superintendent,
   Sub Jail at Panruti, Cuddalore.

4. The Public Prosecutor,
   High Court of Madras.

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