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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 14-10-2026

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THE HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE N.RAMESH

CRL OP No. 31435 of 2026

1.Rameshkumar,
S/o.Raja

2.Priyanka Palani Muthu,
W/o.Rameshkumar Raja ...Petitioners/Accused

Vs

The State represented by,
The Inspector of Police,
D2 Selvapuram Police Station,
Coimbatore City. ...Respondent/Complainant
(Crime No. 334 of 2026)

PRAYER : Criminal Original Petition filed under Section 482 of the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, Act, 2023, to enlarge the petitioners on bail, in the event of their arrest by the respondent police, pending investigation of the case in Crime No.334 of 2026 on the file of the Inspector of Police, D2 Selvapuram Police Station, Coimbatore City.

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

ORDER

The petitioners apprehend arrest for the alleged offence under Sections 316(2) and 318(4) of the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023, in Crime No.334 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 accused persons allegedly induced the de-facto complainant to part with money on the false promise of supplying Panchaloga Metal, thereby committing offences of cheating and criminal breach of trust. It is further seen that the petitioners, who are carrying on business under the name and style of RR Coverings, Salem, are not named as accused in the FIR. The petitioners claim that they had entered into a commercial transaction with the said persons by paying Rs.10,00,000/- towards the purchase of Panchaloga Metal. However, since the goods were not supplied, the entire amount was subsequently refunded to them through a bank transaction. Thus, the petitioners contend that they were only purchasers in the proposed commercial transaction and apprehend that they may be falsely implicated in the present case.

3. The learned counsel for the petitioner submitted that the petitioners are innocent and they have has been falsely implicated in this case. He further submitted that the petitioners are ready to abide by any stringent condition that may be imposed by this Court and to co-operate with the investigation. Hence, he prayed for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioners.

4.The learned Government Advocate (Criminal Side) opposed the petition, submitting that the investigation is still pending and that the petitioners' role in the alleged transaction has to be verified. He further

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submitted that the petitioners had financial dealings with the accused persons and that their involvement in the alleged offence cannot be ruled out at this stage. Hence, he sought dismissal of the petition.

5. Considering the facts and circumstances of the case and the nature of the allegations, this Court is inclined to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner, subject to the following conditions.

6. Accordingly, the petitioners are ordered to be released on anticipatory bail in the event of arrest or on their appearance, within a period of fifteen (15) days from the date on which the order copy is made ready, before the **learned Judicial Magistrate Court V, Coimbatore** on condition that **the petitioners shall execute a bond for a sum of Rs.20,000/- each (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 petitioners 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 ship (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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(c) The first petitioner shall report before the respondent Police, daily at 10.30 a.m. for a period of one week and thereafter as and when required. The second petitioner shall report before the respondent police as and when required;

(d) On breach of any of the aforesaid conditions, the learned Magistrate/Trial Court is entitled to take appropriate actions against the petitioners in accordance with law as if the conditions have been imposed and the petitioners 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 petitioners thereafter absconds, a fresh FIR can be registered under Section 269 of BNS Act.

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To

1.The Inspector of Police,
D2 Selvapuram Police Station,
Coimbatore City.

2.The Inspector of Police,
D2 Selvapuram Police Station,
Coimbatore City.

3.The Public Prosecutor,
High Court of Madras.

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