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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 30-10-2026

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THE HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE N.RAMESH

CRL OP No. 31398 of 2026

CNR: {HCMA012576612026}

1. Amutha
   W/o Ashokan,
   No.6, Pillayar Kovil Street,
   Sethukarai, Gudiyatham,
   Vellore.
2. Lakshmi
   W/o Bimu Kumar,
   No.1/1, 1st Floor, 2nd Street,
   AKR Nagar, Sri devi Kuppam,
   Valasaravakkam, Alwarthirunagar,
   Tiruvallur.

..Petitioner(s)

Vs

The State Rep.By The Inspector of Police
Gudiyatham Town Police Station,
Vellore District.
Crime No.391 of 2026

..Respondent(s)

PRAYER : Criminal Original Petitions filed under Section 482 of BNSS praying to enlarge the petitioner on bail in the event of arrest by the respondent police connected with Crime No.391 of 2026 on the file of the respondent police, pending investigation.

For Petitioner(s): Mr.R Venkatraman

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

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ORDER

The petitioners apprehends arrest for the alleged offences under Sections 194(1) of BNS, 2023 subsequently altered into Sections 104, 115(2), 296(b) and 329(4) of BNS, 2023 in Crime No.391 of 2026, on the file of the respondent police and seeks anticipatory bail.

2. The case of the prosecution is that it is a case of culpable homicide not amount to murder. The petitioners are A2 and A4, who are the sister and daughter of A1. The deceased was in relationship with A1 namely Natchathira and during the relationship, the deceased had pledged A1's jewels and when the A1 requested to return the jewels, there arose a dispute and attacked with glass bottle, due to which, deceased died. Hence, the case.

3. The learned counsel for the petitioners submitted that the petitioners are innocent persons and they have been falsely implicated in this case. He further submitted that the petitioners are ready to abide by any stringent conditions that may be imposed by this Court. Hence, he prayed to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioners.

4. The learned Government Advocate (Criminal Side) appearing for the respondent police reiterated the case of the prosecution and opposed the grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioners.

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5. Considering the facts and circumstances of the case, and taking into account the submissions made by both sides and the fact that investigation has almost been completed, this Court is inclined to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioners, subject to certain conditions.

6. Accordingly, , the petitioners are ordered to be released on 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, Gudiyatham,** on condition that **the petitioners 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 petitioners fails to surrender before the concerned 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 petitioners shall report before the respondent Police as and when required for interrogation

(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 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 petitioners thereafter abscond, a fresh FIR can be registered under Section 269 of BNS Act.

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To
1. Judicial Magistrate, Gudiyatham.

2. The Inspector of Police
Gudiyatham Town Police Station,
Vellore District.

3. The Public Prosecutor,
Madras High Court.

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