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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 04-11-2026

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THE HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE N.RAMESH

CRL OP No. 31954 of 2026

CNR: {HCMA012637702026}

Case QR

Sudhakaran
S/o Ravi,
No.1, Sankaralinganar Street,
MGR Nagar,
Kalaignar Karunanidhi Nagar,
Chennai District.

..Petitioner(s)

Vs

The State Rep by The Inspector of Police
R-7, K.K,Nagar,
Police Station,
Chennai District.
Crime no.476 of 2026.

..Respondent(s)

To enlarge the Petitioner on bail in the event of their arrest by the respondent police concerned in Crime No. 476 of 2026 on the file of the respondent, on such terms and conditions as this Honble Court may deem fit and proper.

For Petitioner(s): R PARTHIBAN

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

ORDER

The petitioner apprehends arrest for the alleged offence under Sections 296(b), 132, and 351(2) of BNS 2023 and under Section 5, 7(3) Lottery Act, in Crime No. 476 of 2026 on the file of the respondent police seeks anticipatory bail.

2.The allegation against the petitioner is that the petitioner, along with other accused, was found in possession of banned lottery tickets. The accused were arrested, and a mobile printer, paper roll, lottery chit bills, two cell phones and a sum of Rs.15,850/- were recovered from them. Hence the case.

3. The learned counsel for the petitioner submitted that the petitioner has not committed any offence as alleged by the prosecution and he has been falsely implicated in this case. He further submitted that he is ready to abide by any stringent condition that may be imposed by this Court and he is ready to co-operate for investigation. Hence, he prays to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner.

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4. The learned Government Advocate (Crl.Side) appearing for the respondent police reiterated the prosecution case and, upon instructions, submitted that the properties were recovered from the accused. If anticipatory bail is granted to the petitioner, he would indulge similar activities in future. However, he opposed to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner.

5. Considering the nature of allegations; that the properties were recovered from the accused; that the petitioner is not having previous case, this Court is inclined to enlarge him on anticipatory bail, subject to certain conditions.

6. 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 **Metropolitan Magistrate Court No.XXIII, Saidapet,** on condition that the petitioner shall execute a bond for a sum of **Rs.25,000/- (Rupees Twenty Five 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 ship (Judicial Form

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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;

(c) The petitioner shall report before the respondent Police, daily at 10.30 a.m. for 15 days and thereafter 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 petitioner in accordance with law as if the conditions have been imposed and the petitioner 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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1.The Metropolitan Magistrate Court No.XXIII,

Saidapet, Chennai.

2. The Public Prosecutor, High Court, Madras.

3.The Inspector of Police
R-7, K.K,Nagar, Police Station, Chennai District.
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