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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. 32088 of 2026

CNR: {HCMA012637852026}

Case QR

1. Sasikumar
   S/o Shanmugam,
   1181/4, Shivan Kovil Street,
   Puduperumanthur,
   Kilur, Kurichipadi Taluk,
   Cuddalore.

2. Manohar
   S/o Mani,
   No.256/5, Puthuperumathur,
   Kilur, Kurichipadi Taluk,
   Cuddalore.

3. Sureshkumar
   S/o Chokkalingam,
   1190, Main Road, Puthuperumathur,
   Kilur, Kurichipadi Taluk,
   Cuddalore.

..Petitioner(s)

Vs

State rep. by its The Inspector of Police
Neyveli Township Police Station,
Cuddalore District.
Crime No.290 of 2026

..Respondent(s)

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To enlarge the Petitioners on bail in the event of arrest by the respondent police in Crime No.290 of 2026, on the file of the Inspector of Police, Neyveli Township Police Station, Cuddalore District and pass such further or other orders as this Honble Court may deem fit and proper in the circumstances of the case and thus render justice.

For Petitioner(s): B.Harish

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

ORDER

The petitioner apprehends arrest for the alleged offence under Sections 132, 296(b) and 351(3) of BNS, 2023 and Section 12 of the Tamil Nadu Gaming and Police Laws (Amendment) Act, 2021 in Crime No.290 of 2026 on the file of the respondent police seeks anticipatory bail.

2.The case of the prosecution is that the petitioner, along with other co-accused were gambling with cards by betting cash, and on seeing the police, the accused persons ran away from the scene of occurrence. Hence the case.

3. The learned counsel for the petitioners submitted that the petitioners are no way related to the alleged offences, they are merely a spectator and were added as accused persons. He further submitted that they are ready to abide by any stringent condition that may be imposed by this Court and they are ready to

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co-operate for investigation. Hence, he prays to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioners.

4. The learned Government Advocate (Crl.Side) appearing for the respondent police reiterated the prosecution case and, upon instructions, submitted that totally 8 accused involved in the case. He further submitted that the petitioner, along with other co-accused were gambling with cards by betting cash. He further submitted that if anticipatory bail is granted to the petitioners, they would indulge similar offences in the future. However, he opposed to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner.

5. Considering the facts and circumstances of the case and the petitioners are not having any previous case, this Court is inclined to enlarge them on anticipatory bail, 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 **District Munsif Cum Judicial Magistrate, Neyveli, Cuddalore,** on condition that the petitioners 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:

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(a) If the petitioners fail 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;

(c) The petitioners shall report before the respondent Police, daily at 10.30 a.m. for a period of fifteen 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 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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3.The Public Prosecutor, High Court, Madras..

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