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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 05-11-2026

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THE HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE N.RAMESH

CRL OP No. 32353 of 2026

CNR: {HCMA012647552026}

Vasudevan
S/o Jayaraman,
No.9/4 Thirumurugan Street,
Nehru Nagar Velacherry,
Chennai.

Case QR

..Petitioner(s)

Vs

The State Rep By, The Inspector of Police
R5 Virugambakkam Police Station,
Chennai District.
Crime No.628 of 2026

..Respondent(s)

PRAYER : Criminal Original Petition filed under Section 483 of Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023, to enlarge the petitioner on bail in Crime No.628 of 2026 on the file of the respondent police.

For Petitioner(s): Mr.P.Muthamizhselvakumar

For Respondent(s): Mr.M.M.I. Khaleel
Government Advocate (Crl.Side)

ORDER

The petitioner, who was arrested and remanded to judicial custody on 13.10.2026 for the alleged offence under Section 75 of BNS r/w Section 4 of Tamil Nadu Prohibition of Harassment of Women Act in Crime No.628 of 2026 on the file of the respondent police, seeks bail.

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2. The case of the prosecution is that on 12.10.2026, the defacto complainant met the petitioner, who represented that he knew an Advocate and could help resolve her family dispute. Believing his words, she accompanied him on his motorcycle. The petitioner took her to a lodge at Gangappa Street and brought her to room. After entering the room, he closed the door and attempted to subject her to harassment. Hence, this case.

3. The learned counsel for the petitioner submitted that the petitioner was arrested and remanded in judicial custody since 13.10.2026. He further submitted that the petitioner is innocent and that 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 bail to the petitioner.

4. The learned Government Advocate (Crl.Side) appearing for the respondent police reiterated the prosecution case and submitted that the petitioner had attempted to harass the defacto complainant. He further submitted that the investigation completed and the charge sheet has been filed. However, he opposed to grant bail to the petitioner.

5. I have given my anxious consideration to the submissions made by the learned counsel on either side and perused the materials available on record.

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6. Considering the submissions made by the learned counsel on both sides, the nature of the allegations and the period of incarceration already undergone by the petitioner and the fact that the investigation completed and the charge sheet has been filed, this Court is inclined to enlarge the petitioner on bail subject to certain conditions.

7. 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 each**, for a like sum to the satisfaction of the **learned XXIII Metropolitan Magistrate Court, Saidapet,** and on further conditions that:

[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;

[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 pass appropriate orders against the petitioner in accordance with

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law as if the aforementioned conditions have been imposed and the petitioner released on bail by the learned Magistrate/Trial Court himself as laid down by the Hon'ble Supreme Court in **P.K.Shaji vs. State of Kerala [(2005)13 SCC 283];**

[f] If the accused thereafter absconds, a fresh FIR can be registered under Section 269 of B.N.S.

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To

1.The XXIII Metropolitan Magistrate,
Saidapet.

2. The Inspector of Police
R5 Virugambakkam Police Station,
Chennai.

3.The Superintendent, Sub Prison,
Saidapet.

4.The Public Prosecutor,
High Court, Madras.

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