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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 10-11-2026

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THE HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE N.RAMESH

CRL OP No. 32453 of 2026

CNR: {HCMA012651852026}

K.Natrajan

Case QR

..Petitioner(s)

Vs

The State Rep. by, The Inspector of Police
Variety Hall Police Station,
Coimbatore City,
Coimbatore.
Crime No.124 of 2024.

..Respondent(s)

PRAYER : Criminal Original Petition filed under Section 482 of the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, Act, 2023, praying to enlarge the Petitioner on bail in the event of their arrest in Cr.No.124 of 2024 on the file of the Respondent Police and pass such further or other orders as this Honble Court.

For Petitioner(s): Mr.N.R.Elango Senior Counsel for
Aswin Prasanna

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

ORDER

The petitioner, apprehending arrest at the hands of the respondent Police for the alleged offences punishable under Section 194 of BNSS and later altered to 105 of BNS, 2023 in Crime No.124 of 2024, on the file of the respondent Police, seeks anticipatory bail.

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2. The case of the prosecution is that A1/petitioner is a doctor and A2 is a nurse working under him at Nataraj Clinic. On 05.08.2024 at about 12.00 noon, the wife of the *de facto* complainant took their nine-year-old son, Thavin Ramesh, to the clinic for treatment of fever. In the absence of the doctor, A2 allegedly administered an injection and prescribed certain tablets. Subsequently, swelling developed at the injection site, and despite the application of an ointment as advised by A2, the child's condition deteriorated. He was shifted to various hospitals in Thrissur, where he was declared dead at about 11.25 p.m. The prosecution alleges that the death occurred due to the medical negligence of A2 in administering treatment in the absence of the doctor. Hence, the case.

3. The learned counsel appearing for the petitioner submitted that the petitioner is innocent, has not committed any offence as alleged by the prosecution, and has been falsely implicated in this case. He further submitted that the co-accused (A2) has already been granted bail by this Court in Crl.O.P. No.32463 of 2026 dated 05.11.2026, and that the petitioner is ready and willing to abide by any stringent conditions that may be imposed by this Court. Hence, he prayed for the grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner.

4. The learned Government Advocate (Criminal Side) appearing for the respondent Police reiterated the prosecution case and submitted that the investigation in this case is still pending. Hence, he opposed the grant of

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anticipatory bail to the petitioner.

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

6. This is a case of alleged medical negligence resulting in the death of a child. By an earlier order dated 05.11.2026 in Crl.O.P. No.32463 of 2026, the co-accused (A2), who allegedly administered the injection to the deceased child in the absence of the doctor, was granted bail by this Court. The present petition has been filed by A1, who is the doctor running the clinic and is aged about 79 years. Considering the facts and circumstances of the case, the advanced age of the petitioner, and the fact that the co-accused has already been granted bail by this Court, this Court is inclined to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner, subject to certain conditions.

7. 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 Judicial Magistrate-V, Coimbatore,** on condition that **the petitioner shall execute a bond for a sum of Rs.15,000/- (Rupees Fifteen 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 petitioner 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;

(c) The petitioner shall report before the respondent Police daily at 10:30 A.M., for a period of 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 was 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 abscond, a fresh FIR can be registered under Section 269 of BNS Act.

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To

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3. The Public Prosecutor, High Court of Madras.

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