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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 17-11-2026

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THE HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE N.RAMESH

CRL OP No. 33536 of 2026

CNR: {HCMA012740482026}

Case QR

Rajiya @ Razia Begam
W/o.Siraj,
No.24/3,
East Kalmandapam Road,
Royapuram,
Chennai.

..Petitioner(s)

Vs

State Rep.by, The Sub Inspector of Police
N1, Royapuram Police Station,
Cr.No.281/2026.

..Respondent(s)

PRAYER : Criminal Original Petition filed under Section 483 of Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023, to enlarge the petitioner on bail in Cr.No.281 of 2026 on the file of Inspector of Police, N1, Royapuram Police Station and thus render justice.

For Petitioner(s): E.Shanthakumar
For Respondent(s): Mr.Durai Gunasekaran, Govt.Advocate

ORDER

The petitioner, who was arrested and remanded to judicial custody on 21.09.2026 for the alleged offence under Sections 120(b), 420 IPC., in Crime No.281 of 2026 on the file of the respondent police, seeks bail.

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2.The case of the prosecution is that it is a case of investment cheating. According to the prosecution, the petitioner, who runs a jewellery shop, induced the *de facto* complainant to invest Rs.15,00,000/- initially and Rs.5,00,000/- subsequently in her gold business on the false promise of high returns. However, she paid only Rs.75,000/- for two months and failed to return the principal amount. In a similar manner, she cheated several other depositors, and the total cheated amount is calculated at Rs.87,50,000/- in all. Hence, the case.

3. The learned counsel appearing for the petitioner submitted that the petitioner has been falsely implicated in this case and that she has been in judicial custody since 21.09.2026. He further submitted that the petitioner is ready and willing to abide by any stringent conditions that may be imposed by this Court and prayed for the grant of bail to the petitioner.

4. Per contra, the learned Government Advocate (Criminal Side) appearing for the respondent Police submitted that the petitioner induced the *de facto* complainant and several other innocent depositors to invest huge sums in her gold business under the guise of high returns and cheated them to the tune of Rs.87,50,000/-. He further submitted that the investigation is at a crucial stage, several victims are yet to be examined, and if the petitioner is released on bail, there is every possibility of her absconding or tampering with the witnesses. Hence, he vehemently opposed the grant of 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. Considering the gravity of the offence, the specific overt act attributed to the petitioner, the huge amount involved in the cheating (to the tune of Rs.87,50,000/- affecting multiple victims), and also taking into account the crucial stage of the investigation, this Court is not inclined to enlarge the petitioner on bail at this stage. Accordingly, this Criminal Original Petition stands dismissed.

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To
The Sub Inspector of Police
N1, Royapuram Police Station,
Cr.No.281/2026.

2. The Public Prosecutor, High Court, Madras.

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