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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 18-11-2026

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THE HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE N.RAMESH

CRL OP No. 33750 of 2026

1.Murugan,
S/o.Subramani

2.Venkatesan,
S/o.Kasi ...Petitioners/Accused 2&4

Vs

The state represented by,
The Sub-Inspector of Police,
Thanipadi Police Station,
Tiruvannamalai. ...Respondent/Complainant
(Crime No.267 of 2026)

PRAYER : Criminal Original Petition filed under Section 483 of Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023, to enlarge the petitioners on bail in Crime No.267 of 2026 on the file of the respondent police.

For Petitioner(s): M/s.S.Valarmathi

For Respondent(s): Mr.Durai Gunasekaran,
Govt.Advocate (Crl.Side)

O R D E R

The Petitioner, who was arrested and remanded to judicial custody on 07.10.2026 for the alleged offence under Sections 194 BNS @ 296(b), 108 BNS, in Crime No.267 of 2026 on the file of the respondent police, seeks bail.

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2. The case of the proseuction is that there was previous enmity between the de-facto complainant's family and the second petitioner's family over the enjoyment of poramboke land. In this regard, the petitioners allegedly intimidated the de-facto complainant and his father, the deceased Munusamy, due to which the deceased became frustrated and committed suicide by hanging. Hence, the case.

3. The learned counsel for the petitioners submitted that the petitioners are innocent and have been falsely implicated in this case. He further submitted that the petitioners have been in judicial custody since 07.10.2026 and are ready to abide by any stringent conditions that may be imposed by this Court. Hence, he prays for grant of bail to the Petitioners.

4. Per contra, the learned Government Advocate (Criminal Side) appearing for the Respondent Police reiterated the prosecution case and submitted that due to previous enmity over the enjoyment of poramboke land, the petitioners had intimidated the deceased, who subsequently commtited suicide by hanging. He further submitted that the investigation is at an initial stage. Hence, he opposed the grant of bail to the petitioners.

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

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6. Considering the nature of the allegations, the circumstances leading to the death of the deceased, the period of incarceration already undergone by the petitioners and the fact that the investigation is still pending, this Court is inclined to grant bail to the petitioners, subject to certain conditions.

7. Accordingly, the petitioners are ordered to be released on bail on their executing a bond for a sum of **Rs.25,000/- each (Rupees Twenty Five Thousand only)** with **two sureties each**, for a like sum to the satisfaction of the **learned District Munsif Cum Judicial Magistrate Court, Thandarampattu,** 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 petitioners 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;

[c] the petitioners shall not abscond either during investigation or trial;

[d] the petitioners 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 petitioners in accordance with law as if the

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aforementioned conditions have been imposed and the petitioners 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 District Munsif Cum Judicial
Magistrate Court, Thandarampattu.

2.The Sub-Inspector of Police,
Thanipadi Police Station,
Tiruvannamalai.

3.The Superintendent,
Sub Jail, Tiruvannamali.

4.The Public Prosecutor,
High Court, Madras.

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