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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED : 05.01.2026

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THE HONOURABLE MR JUSTICE **K.RAJASEKAR**

Crl.O.P.No.31169 of 2025

Chanma Shek Noorula @ Chanma ... Petitioner
Vs.

State by the Inspector of Police,
Arni Taluk Police Station,
Tiruvannamalai District. ... Respondent
(Crime No.677 of 2025)

PRAYER : Criminal Original Petition filed under Section 482 of Bharatiya
Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita of BNSS, 2023, to enlarge the petitioner on bail in
Crime No.677 of 2025 on the file of the respondent police.

For Petitioner : Mr.Rebecca
For Respondent : Ms.J.R.Archana
Government Advocate (Crl. Side)

ORDER

The petitioner, who was apprehending arrest at the hands of the
respondent police for the offences punishable under Sections 420, 465, 468
& 471 of IPC and Section 12(1)(a) of Passport Act, 1967 in Crime No.677 of
2025, seeks anticipatory bail.



2. The allegation against the petitioner is that she was involved in the fabrication of a passport and had used the same. Upon the said fabrication coming to light, a complaint was immediately lodged and an FIR was registered. Hence the case.

3. The learned counsel appearing for the petitioner submitted that the petitioner had no knowledge of any such fabrication. Being a woman, she had approached an agent for obtaining a passport, and the said agent procured the passport and handed over it over to her. Hence, he prays to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner.

4. The learned Government Advocate (Crl.side) submitted that the original passport bearing Serial No.Q 764292 was issued at Chennai in the name of one Kamel Airan Saif Addeen Khader. Subsequently it was revealed that the front portion of the said passport had been removed and replaced with a forged data page containing the petitioner's particulars. It was further revealed that the passport in question was fabricated. Hence, he opposed to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner.



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5. Heard the learned counsels on either side and perused the materials available on record.

6. This Court has also perused the records of the competent authority, which reveal that the passport was fabricated. It was reported on 30.05.2025 to the concerned police, and the passport has been seized. The petitioner is residing at the address furnished by her for a considerable period. Considering the submissions made and the materials available on record, including the fact that the petitioner possesses necessary documents and other connected identity proofs, that her son is residing at the address given by her, and that she owns properties, this Court is inclined to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner with certain conditions.

7. Accordingly, the petitioner is ordered to be released on bail in the event of arrest or on her appearance, within a period of fifteen (15) days from the date on which the order copy made ready, before the **learned Judicial Magistrate, Arni**, on condition that **the petitioner 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 petitioner fails to surrender before the concerned Magistrate within a period of fifteen days from the date of receipt of a copy of her order, this order shall stand automatically cancelled;

[b] the sureties shall affix her 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 her identity;

[c] the petitioner shall report before the respondent police daily at 10.30 a.m., for a period of two weeks and thereafter as and when required for interrogation;

[d] 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 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]**;



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[e] 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 Judicial Magistrate, Arni.
2. The Inspector of Police,
Arni Taluk Police Station,
Tiruvannamalai District.
3. The Public Prosecutor,
High Court of Madras.



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