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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 23-11-2026

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THE HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE N.RAMESH

CRL OP No. 34461 of 2026

CNR: {HCMA012806432026}

Rani
W/o Gopi,
NO.16, Dharmaraja Koil Street,
Alandur, Chennai.

Case QR

..Petitioner(s)

Vs

The State Rep By, The Inspector of Police
CCB Tambaram.
Crime No.145 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.145 of 2026 on the file of the respondent and pass such further orders.

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

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

ORDER

The petitioner, who was arrested and remanded to judicial custody on 28.09.2026 for the alleged offence under Sections 318(2), 336(2), 336(3), 337, 340 and 61 of BNS, 2023 in Crime No. 145 of 2026 on the file of the respondent police, seeks bail.

2. The allegation against the petitioner is that she, along with one

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Ansarbee, created forged and bogus death certificate and legal heirship certificate of the said Balasubramaniam, based on the forged documents, executed a settlement deed in favour of one Priya, therey creating an encumbrance over the subject property and attempting to grab the same. Hence, the case.

3. The learned counsel for the petitioner submitted that the petitioner is in judicial custody since 28.09.2026 and that the petitioner is innocent and has been falsely implicated in this case. He further submitted that he is abidy by any conditions that may be imposed by this Court. Hence, he prays for grant of bail to the Petitioner.

4. Per contra, the learned Government Advocate (Criminal Side) appearing for the Respondent Police reiterated the prosecution case and submitted that the investigation is still pending. However, he opposed the grant of bail to the Petitioner.

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

6. It is a case of land grabbing by creating forged documents. The petitioner is arrayed as A1. According to the prosecution, the first and second

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petitioner forged the death certificate and legal heirship certificate of the original owner in respect of 1.92 acres of land and, on the strength of the said forged documents, executed a settlement deed in favour of one Priya/A3. The petitioner was arrested on 28.09.2026 and has been in judicial custody since then. The petitioner is a woman, aged 65 years and is a senior citizen. The investigation is still pending. The entire case are relied upon the documents which are registered at the police. Considering the above facts and circumstances of the case, the age of the petitioner and the period of incarceration already undergone by the petitioner, this Court is inclined to grant bail to the petitioner subject to certain conditions.

7. Accordingly, the petitioner is ordered to be released on bail on her 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 Judicial Magistrate No.I, Tambaram,** 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;
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> **[b] 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;**

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[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 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 Judicial Magistrate No.I,
Tambaram.

2. The Inspector of Police
CCB Tambaram.

3.The Superintendent,
Central Prison for Women,
Puzhal, Chennai.

4.The Public Prosecutor,
High Court, Madras.

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