



IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 06-01-2026

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THE HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE K.RAJASEKAR

CRL OP No. 01 of 2026

Prabaharan

..Petitioner(s)

Vs

State by,
The Sub-Inspector of Police
CSCID Police Station,
Cuddalore.
Cr.No.208 of 2025.

..Respondent(s)

Prayer:- Criminal Original Petition filed under Section 482 of B.N.S.S., to enlarge the petitioner on Anticipatory bail in the event of his arrest, pending investigation in Cr.No.208 of 2025, on the file of the respondent police.

For Petitioner(s):

Mr.D.Ashok Kumar

For Respondent(s):

Ms.J.R.Archana,

Government Advocate (Crl.Side)

Order

The petitioner herein apprehends arrest at the hands of the respondent police for the offences punishable under Section 6(4) pf TN Scheduled Commodities (RDCS) Order, 1982 & 7(1)(a)(ii) of Essential Commodities Act, 1955 in Crime No.208 of 2025, on the file of the respondent Police, seeks anticipatory bail.



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2. The allegation against the petitioner is that he, joined hands with the other accused, procured 5,000 kgs of rice meant for the Public Distribution System (PDS) and arranged for its transportation in a lorry driven by A3. The said vehicle was intercepted by the police and the rice was seized. Further investigation revealed that the petitioner is the main accused and that he is not only the owner of the seized rice but also the owner of the vehicle involved. Hence, a case has been registered against the petitioner

3. The learned counsel appearing for the petitioner submitted that the petitioner is engaged in scrap business and has been falsely implicated in the present case. He further submitted that the petitioner had earlier furnished information regarding the transportation of rice and, for that reason, the police have added the petitioner as an accused in another case, which was protested by the petitioner. Hence, the learned counsel 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 there are totally five accused in the case and that the petitioner is ranked as A1. She further submitted that the petitioner is not only the owner of the rice but also the owner of the vehicle in which 5,000 kgs of PDS rice was transported. It was also submitted that the petitioner has one previous case of a similar nature



pending against him. Hence, she opposed the grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner.

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5. Considering the fact that a huge quantity of rice has been seized and that the vehicle involved is belong to the petitioner, and further that the rice is alleged to have been procured by the petitioner in collusion with the other accused, and that the petitioner is having bad antecedents, this Court is not inclined to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner.

6. Accordingly, this Criminal Original Petition is dismissed.

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To

1. The Public Prosecutor,
High Court, Madras.

2. The Sub-Inspector of Police
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