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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 07.01.2026

CORAM :

**THE HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE K. RAJASEKAR**

**Crl.O.P.No.35618 of 2025**

GajapathiVarma

... Petitioner

-VS-

State Rep by,  
The Inspector of Police,  
Sholinghur Police Station,  
Ranipet District.  
(Crime No.222 of 2025)

... Respondent

**Prayer:-** Criminal Original Petition filed under Section 483 of BNSS, 2023, to enlarge the petitioner on bail in Crime No.222 of 2025 on the file of the respondent police.

For Petitioner : Mr.K.Kannan

For Respondent : Mr.A.Gopinath  
Government Advocate (Crl. Side)

For Intervener : Mr.R.Shivakumar for  
Mr.B.Harish

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**ORDER**

The petitioner, who was arrested and remanded to judicial custody on



12.06.2025 for the alleged offence punishable under Sections 194(1) of BNS, 2023, and subsequently under Sections 61(2), 103(1) of BNS, 2023 r/w 25(1AA), 25(1A) of Arms Act, 1959 in Crime No.222 of 2025 on the file of the respondent police, seeks bail.

2. The case of the prosecution is that the petitioner's brother, namely Seenu, was murdered, and a case in this regard was registered in Crime No.118 of 2025. The deceased in the present case, Chakravarthy, was an Advocate and the husband of the defacto complainant. It is alleged that the deceased was shot dead by the accused, as he had attempted to secure bail for the accused who were involved in the murder of the petitioner's brother.

3. It is further alleged that the petitioner hatched a criminal conspiracy along with other accused, and in pursuance of the said conspiracy, A1 and A2 attacked the deceased (Advocate) and murdered him by firing gun shots.

4. Learned counsel appearing for the petitioner submitted that deceased was not murdered on the ground that deceased in this case was appeared in a criminal cases in support of the rival group of the petitioner herein, and the facts remain that continuously there was political rivalry between the other accused and the deceased and his group. This petitioner is only a brother of A1 he has been falsely implicated in this case, as if he also participated in the conspiracy. Now the case is committed to Sessions and pending in S.C.No.108 of 2025 on the file of the II Additional District Judge at Arakonam. He would further submit





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8. This Court while considering the bail application of A5 in this case, namely Sankar in CrI.OP.No.31283 of 2025 dated 17.11.2025, observed as follows:

*“Considering the submissions of the learned counsel on either side and the period of incarceration and peruse the records it reveals that the deceased was not murdered on account of the professional service, it was done due to the political rivalry between the parties and further overtact against the petitioner is that he was not directly involved in the offence and alleged to have been participated in the conspiracy along with the brother of the petitioner herein and the petitioner is also not having any previous case, this Court is inclined to grant bail to the petitioner, subject to certain conditions”.*

9. It was further submitted before this Court that the petitioner herein is also a similarly placed accused and he is the brother of A1 in this case. It was further submitted that it is not a case of enmity prevailing over the professional service, but rather a political rivalry, and that the petitioner is in judicial custody since 16.06.2025.

10. Considering the above facts and circumstances, and taking note of the fact that similarly placed accused, namely Sankar was granted bail by this Court in CrI.OP.No.31283 of 2025 dated 17.11.2025, this Court is inclined to grant bail to the petitioner, subject to certain conditions.

11. Accordingly, the petitioner is ordered to be released on bail on his



executing a bond for a sum of **Rs.20,000/- (Rupees Twenty Thousand only)**

with two sureties, for a like sum to the satisfaction of the *learned Judicial*

**Magistrate No.I, Kancheepuram** and on further conditions that:-

[a] the sureties shall affix their photographs and Left Thumb Impression in the surety bond and the Magistrate may obtain a copy of their Aadhar card or Bank pass Book to ensure their identity;

**[b] the petitioner shall stay at Kancheepuram and report before the Judicial Magistrate No.I, Kancheepuram daily at 10.30 a.m., for a period of three weeks and thereafter as and when required for interrogation.**

[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 aforesaid conditions, the learned Magistrate/Trial Court is entitled to take appropriate action against the petitioner in accordance with law as if the 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)AIR SCW



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[f] If the accused thereafter absconds, a fresh FIR can

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**To**

- 1.The Judicial Magistrate No.I,  
Kancheepuram.
- 2.The Inspector of Police,  
Sholinghur Police Station,  
Ranipet District.
- 3.The Superintendent,  
Central Prison, Puzhal, Chennai.
- 4.The Public Prosecutor,  
High Court, Madras.



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**K. RAJASEKAR, J.**

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