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CRL.O.P.No.219 of 2026

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: **08.01.2026**

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THE HONOURABLE MR JUSTICE K.RAJASEKAR

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... Petitioner

Versus

State rep by its,
The Inspector of Police,
Mecheri Police Station,
Salem District.
(Crime No.665 of 2025)

.. Respondent

Prayer:- Criminal Original Petition filed under Section 482 of B.N.S.S., to enlarge the petitioner on bail in the event of his arrest in Crime No.665 of 2025 on the file of the respondent police.

For Petitioner : Mr.Muthamizh Selvakumar P

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

ORDER

The petitioner, who apprehends arrest by the respondent police for the offences punishable under Sections 296(b), 126(2), 115(2), 118(1), 351(3) of BNS, in Crime No.665 of 2025 seeks anticipatory bail.



2.The allegation against the petitioner is that, due to previous enmity, a wordy quarrel arose between the petitioner and the defacto complainant, during which the petitioner abused the defacto complainant in filthy language, attacked him with a wooden rod on his forehead, thereby causing injuries and also threatened him with dire consequences.

3.The learned counsel appearing for the petitioner submitted that the petitioner is an innocent person and he has been falsely implicated in this case. He further submitted that the petitioner is ready to abide by any conditions that may be imposed by this Court. Hence, he prayed for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner.

4. The learned Government Advocate (Crl.Side) appearing for the respondent police reiterated the prosecution case and submitted that the injured has been discharged from the hospital and that the petitioner has no previous cases pending against him. Hence, he opposed for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner.

5. Heard the learned counsel for the petitioner as well as the learned Government Advocate (Crl.side) and perused the materials available on record.

6. Considering the submissions made by both side counsels, the fact



that the injured was discharged from the hospital and the petitioner has no previous case pending against him, this Court is inclined to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner, subject to certain conditions.

7. Accordingly, the petitioner is ordered to be released on anticipatory bail in the event of arrest or on his appearance, within a period of fifteen (15) days from the date of receipt of a copy of this order before the *learned Judicial Magistrate Court-II, Mettur*, on condition that the petitioner shall execute a bond for a sum of Rs.15,000/- (Rupees Fifteen Thousand Only), with two sureties, each for a like sum to the satisfaction of the respondent police or the police officer who intends to arrest or to the satisfaction of the learned Magistrate concerned and on further condition 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 report before the respondent police, everyday at 10.30 a.m., for a period of two weeks and thereafter as and when required for interrogation;

(c) the petitioner shall not tamper with evidence or witness either during investigation or trial;

(d) the petitioner shall not abscond either during investigation or trial;



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(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 5560]*; and;

(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 Court-II, Mettur

2. The Inspector of Police,
Mecheri Police Station,
Salem District.

3.The Public Prosecutor,
High Court, Madras.



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