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BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

(Criminal Jurisdiction)

Date : 27/01/2026

PRESENT

The HONOURABLE MRS. JUSTICE S.SRIMATHY

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Saravanan,
S/o.Muthaiah,

... Petitioner/Accused

Vs

State of Tamilnadu Rep by
Inspector of Police,
Murappanadu Police Station,
Murappanadu,
Thoothukudi District.
Crime No.489 of 2025..

... Respondent/Complainant

For Petitioner : Mr.N.Pragalathan,
For Respondent : Mr.E.Antony Sahaya Prabahar,
Additional Public Prosecutor

PETITION FOR ANTICIPATORY BAIL Under Sec.482 of BNSS

PRAYER :-

For Anticipatory Bail in Crime no.489 of 2025 on the file of the
Respondent Police.

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ORDER : The Court made the following order :-

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The petitioner, who apprehends arrest at the hands of the respondent police for the offences punishable under Sections 8(c), 20(b) (ii)(B) of NDPS Act and Section 24(1) of the Cigarette and other Tobacco Products Act, 2003, in Crime No.489 of 2025 on the file of the respondent police, seeks anticipatory bail.

2. The case of the prosecution is that the petitioner along with other accused persons had illegally transported 1.5 Kgs of Ganja and 102.6 Kgs of Cool Lip. Hence, the complaint.

3. The learned counsel for the petitioner submitted that the petitioner is an innocent person and he has not committed any offence as alleged by the prosecution. He further submitted that based on the confession of the co-accused, the petitioner was falsely implicated in this case. He further submitted that the petitioner is willing to abide by any conditions that may be imposed by this Court. Hence, he seeks anticipatory bail for the petitioner.



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4. The learned Government Advocate (Criminal Side) appearing for the respondent police submitted that there are three previous cases pending against the petitioner, which are not similar in nature and the property has been recovered. However, he vehemently opposed to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner.

5. Considering the facts and circumstances of the case and also the fact that the property has been recovered, this Court is inclined to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner, subject to certain conditions.

6. Accordingly, the petitioner is ordered to be released on bail in the event of arrest or on his appearance, within a period of fifteen days from the date on which the order copy made ready, before Principal Special Court for NDPS Act Cases, Madurai, on condition that the petitioner shall execute a bond for a sum of Rs.10,000/- (Rupees Ten 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 Principal Special Court for NDPS Act Cases, Madurai, failing which, the petition for anticipatory bail shall stand dismissed and on further condition that:



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(a) the petitioner and 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) while executing sureties, the petitioner shall file an undertaking affidavit before the Principal Special Court for NDPS Act Cases, Madurai, stating that he has understood the harmful effects of Cool Lip and that he will not indulge in such activities in the future.

(c) the petitioner shall report before the respondent police daily at 10.30 a.m., and 05.30 p.m., for a period of two weeks and thereafter, as and when required for interrogation.

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

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

(f) 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



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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;

(g) if the accused/petitioner thereafter abscond, a fresh FIR can be registered under Section 269 of BNS, 2023.

(S S Y J)
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TO

1. Inspector of Police,
Murappanadu Police Station,
Murappanadu,
Thoothukudi District.
2. The Additional Public Prosecutor,
Madurai Bench of Madras High Court, Madurai.



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