



**CRL OP(MD) NO.1838 of 2026**

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BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED: 02-02-2026

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THE HONOURABLE MRS JUSTICE S.SRIMATHY

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Arunkumar

Petitioner(s)

Vs

State Of Tamilnadu Rep By Inspector Of Police, Thanthonimalai  
Police Station  
Karur District.  
Crime No.13/2026

Respondent(s)

**For Petitioner(s):**

Mr.C. Susikumar

**For Respondent(s):**

Mr.S.S. Manoj,  
Government Advocate (crl. Side)

**Prayer:** C-33AB.For Anticipatory Bail in Crime No.13/2026 on the file of the respondent police.

**ORDER**

The petitioner, who apprehends arrest at the hands of the respondent police for the offences punishable under Sections 273, 328 of BNS Act, 2023 and Section 24(1) of Cigarette and other Tobacco



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Products Act, 2003 and Section 77 of Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Act, 2015, seeks anticipatory bail.

2. The case of the prosecution is that the petitioner was found in possession of 83 pockets of banned Tobacco products. Hence, the complaint.

3. The learned counsel appearing for the petitioner submitted that the petitioner is an innocent person and he is no way connected with the alleged occurrence as stated by the prosecution. He further submitted that the petitioner is ready and willing to abide by any conditions that may be imposed by this Court. Hence, he seeks anticipatory bail to the petitioner.

4. The learned Government Advocate (Criminal Side) appearing for the respondent Police submitted that there is no previous case pending against the petitioner. He further submitted that the offence committed by the petitioner is serious in nature.

5. Taking into consideration of the facts and circumstances of the case, this Court is inclined to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner, with certain conditions.

6. Accordingly, the petitioner is ordered to be released on bail in the event of arrest or on his appearance, on condition that the petitioner



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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 Judicial Magistrate Court-I, Karur, within a period of fifteen days from the date on which the order copy made ready on further conditions that:

[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 Aadhaar card or bank pass book to ensure their identity.

[b] At the time producing surety the petitioner is directed to file an undertaking affidavit stating that he will not sell any tobacco in the future.

[c] the petitioner is directed to report before the respondent police daily morning at 10.30 a.m., for a period of one week and thereafter as and when required for interrogation.

[d] the petitioner shall not tamper with the 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



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petitioner in accordance with law as if the conditions have been imposed and the petitioner is 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].

[g]If the accused thereafter absconds, a fresh FIR can be registered under Section 269 of BNS.

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To

- 1.The Inspector Of Police, Thanthonimalai  
Police Station, Karur District.
2. The Additional Public Prosecutor,  
Madurai Bench of Madras High Court,  
Madurai.