



CRL OP(MD). No.1947 of 2026

BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

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(Criminal Jurisdiction)

Date : 04/02/2026

PRESENT

The HONOURABLE MRS. JUSTICE S.SRIMATHY

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Veeramani

... Petitioner/Accused

Vs

State of Tamilnadu Rep by,
The Inspector of Police,
All Women Police Station,
Madurai Town, Nearby South Gate,
Madurai.
Crime No.561 of 2025.

... Respondent/Complainant

For Petitioner : R.Udhayakumar,
Advocate.

For Respondent : Mr.S.S.Manoj,
Government Advocate (Crl.Side)

PRAYER :-

C-58AB. For Anticipatory Bail in Crime No.
561 of 2025 on the file of the respondent Police.

ORDER : The Court made the following order :-

The petitioner, who apprehends arrest at the
hands of the respondent police for the offences



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punishable under Section 87 of BNS @ Section 7 & 8 of POCSO Act, in Crime No.561 of 2025 on the file of the respondent police, seeks anticipatory bail.

2. The case of the prosecution is that the petitioner attempted sexual harassment and threatened the victim minor girl and hence, the defacto complainant preferred a complaint. Hence, the case.

3. The learned counsel for the petitioner submitted that the petitioner is an innocent person and he has not committed any offences as alleged by the prosecution. He further submitted that the petitioner is ready and willing to abide by any conditions which may be imposed by this Court. Hence, he seeks anticipatory bail to the petitioner.

4. The learned Government Advocate(Crl. side) submitted that the allegation against the petitioner is that the petitioner has taken the victim girl to Kodaikanal and stayed there for four days and he has



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also produced the 164 statement of the victim girl.

Hence, he opposed for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner.

5. Considering the facts and circumstances of the case, and since the 164 statement of the victim girl is not supporting the prosecution case, 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, 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 learned Additional Mahila Court(Judicial Magistrate Cadre), Madurai, Madurai District, within a period of fifteen days from the date on which the order copy is made ready and on further conditions that:

[a]the petitioner and the sureties
shall affix their photographs and left



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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] the petitioner shall report before the respondent police daily at 10.30 a.m, until further orders;

[c]the petitioner shall not tamper with the evidence or witness either during investigation or trial;

[d]the petitioner shall not abscond 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 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



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SCW 5560];

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

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TO

1. Additional Mahila Court(Judicial Magistrate Cadre), Madurai, Madurai District.

2. The Inspector of Police,
All Women Police Station,
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Madurai.

3.The Additional Public Prosecutor,
Madurai Bench of Madras High Court, Madurai.



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