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BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

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(Criminal Jurisdiction)

Date : 11/02/2026

PRESENT

The HONOURABLE MRS. JUSTICE S.SRIMATHY

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Kannan,
S/o.Chellappa @ Chitrakani,
1/43, Amman Kovil Street,
Pattamudaiyarpuram,
Tirunelveli District..

... Petitioner/Accused

Vs

The State of Tamil Nadu,
Rep By,The Inspector of Police,
Alangulam Police Station,
Tenkasi District.
Cr.No.1053/2017..

... Respondent/Complainant

For Petitioner : A.Balakrishnan,
Advocate.

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

PRAYER :-

C-33B.To enlarge the petitioner on bail in
S.C.No.532 of 2025 on the file of Chief Judicial
Magistrate, Tenkasi and thus render justice.

ORDER : The Court made the following order :-



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WEB COPY The petitioner, who was arrested and remanded to judicial custody on 23.01.2026 based on the NBW issued by the learned Chief Judicial Magistrate, Tenkasi, for the offences punishable under Sections 4(1)(aaa), 4(1-A) of TN Prohibition Act and 468, 471, 473 of IPC @ punishable U/s.4(1)(aaa), 4(1-A) of TN Prohibition Act and 468, 471, 473 r/w 34 of IPC in Crime No.1053 of 2017 on the file of the respondent police, which was charge sheeted and taken on file in S.C.No.532 of 2025, seeks bail.

2. The case of the prosecution is that the petitioner was found in illegal possession of 50 liquor bottles. Hence, the case.

3. The learned counsel for the petitioner submitted that the petitioner could not appear for one hearing due to which NBW was issued on 08.12.2025. He further submitted that the petitioner is in judicial custody from 23.01.2026. Hence, he seeks bail to the petitioner.



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WEB COPY 4. The learned Additional Public Prosecutor submitted that the petitioner has jumped out of bail and he has two previous cases. The next date of hearing is 20.03.2026. However, he opposed for grant of bail to the petitioner.

5. Taking into consideration of the facts and circumstances of the case and also considering the period of incarceration suffered by the petitioner, this Court is inclined to grant bail to the petitioner, subject to the following conditions:

6. Accordingly, the petitioner is ordered to be released on bail on executing 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 Judicial Magistrate, Tenkasi, and on further conditions that :-

[a] the petitioner and the sureties shall affix their photographs and left thumb impression in the surety bond and the



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Magistrate may obtain a copy of their Aadhaar card or bank pass book to ensure their identity;

[b] the petitioner shall report before the trial Court 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 SCW 5560];



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[f] If the accused thereafter absconds,

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a fresh FIR can be registered under Section
269 BNS.

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TO

1. Chief Judicial Magistrate, Tenkasi.

2.The superintendent, Central Prison, Palayamkottai.

3.The The Inspector of Police,
Alangulam Police Station,
Tenkasi District.

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



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S.SRIMATHY, J

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