



CRL OP(MD). No.3807 of 2025

BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

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(Criminal Jurisdiction)

Date : 23/02/2026

PRESENT

The HONOURABLE MRS. JUSTICE S.SRIMATHY

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1. Vanitha

2.Karthiga Devi ... Petitioners/Accused

Vs

The State of Tamil Nadu,
Rep by the Inspector of Police,
Theni Police Station,
Theni District.
Crime No.114 of 2026.

... Respondent/Complainant

For Petitioner : J.Selvam
Advocate.

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

PRAYER :-

C-38AB. For Anticipatory Bail in Crime no.
114 of 2026 on the file of the Respondent Police.

ORDER : The Court made the following order :-



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The petitioners, who apprehend arrest at the hands of the respondent police for the offences punishable under Sections 61(2) and 103(1) of BNS, 2023, @ Section 103(1), 296(b), 49 and 61(2) of BNS, in Crime No.114 of 2026 on the file of the respondent police, seek anticipatory bail.

2. The case of the prosecution is that the deceased lent money to A1 for which he pledged his property and subsequently, the deceased has taken the property through civil court decree. Due to this motive, the accused persons murdered the deceased. This petitioners/A7&A8 are the sisters of A1. Hence, the complaint.

3. The learned counsel for the petitioners submitted that the petitioners are innocent persons and they have not committed any offences as alleged by the prosecution. He further submitted that the petitioners are ready and willing to abide by any conditions which may be imposed by this Court. Hence, he seeks anticipatory bail to the petitioners.



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4. The learned Additional Public Prosecutor submitted that these petitioners are A7 and A8, who are the sisters of A1 and the allegation against them are under Section 120(b) of IPC. He further submitted that totally there are 9 accused. However, he opposed for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioners.

5. Considering the facts and circumstances of the case, and considering the nature of offence committed by these petitioners and since they are women, this Court is inclined to grant anticipatory bail to the other petitioners, subject to certain conditions.

6. Accordingly, the petitioners are ordered to be released on bail in the event of arrest or on their appearance, on condition that each of 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 Judicial Magistrate, Theni, within a period

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of fifteen days from the date on which the order copy is made ready and on further conditions that:

[a]the petitioners 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] the petitioners shall report before the respondent police daily morning at 10.30 a.m., and evening at 05.30 p.m, until further orders;

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

[d]the petitioners 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 petitioners in



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accordance with law as if the conditions have been imposed and the petitioners are 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];

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

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TO

1.Judicial Magistrate,
Theni.

2.The Inspector of Police,
Theni Police Station,
Theni District.

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

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