



CRL OP(MD). No.4089 of 2026

BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

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(Criminal Jurisdiction)

Date : 25/02/2026

PRESENT

The HONOURABLE MRS. JUSTICE S.SRIMATHY

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1.Arul Ananth

2.Muthu Selvam

3.Muthu Kumar

4.Iyappan

5.Palaniyammal

6.Nandhini

7.Arumugam

8.Sathya

... Petitioners/Accused

Vs

The State of Tamil Nadu,
Rep By, The Inspector of Police,
Melapalayam Police Station,
Tirunelveli District.

Cr.No.29 of 2026. ... Respondent/Complainant

For Petitioners : Mr.M.Veeravelpandi

For Respondent : Mr.S.S.Manoj,

Government Advocate (Crl.Side)

PRAYER :-

C-33AB.For Anticipatory Bail in Cr.No.29 of 2025
on the file of the respondent police.

ORDER : The Court made the following order :-



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2. The case of the prosecution is that due to previous motive, the petitioners along with other accused persons have attacked the defacto complainant's brother with iron rod and pushed her down by pulling her Churidar and also abused the defacto complainant in filthy language and attacked her relative and threatened with dire consequences. 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



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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.

4. The learned Government Advocate (Criminal Side) submitted that there are 10 accused persons and the first petitioner, who is the husband of the defacto complainant is having one previous case and others have no previous case. The defacto complainant is a Karakattam dancer. The specific overtact against the A1 and A2 is they have shown the private parts and attacked the defacto complainant with iron rod and injured discharged from hospital. However, he opposed for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioners.

5. Considering the facts and circumstances of the case, and also the fact the injured has been discharged from hospital, this Court is inclined to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioners, subject to certain conditions.



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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 No.V, Tirunelveli, within a period 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 at 10.30 a.m., until further orders; the petitioners shall not intimidate the defacto complainant or enter into the



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**street, home, and normally wherever she
is available;**

[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
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 No.V,
Tirunelveli.

2.The Inspector of Police,
Melapalayam Police Station,
Tirunelveli District.

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



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