



Crl.O.P.(MD)No.4768 of 2026

BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

(Criminal Jurisdiction)

Date : 04.03.2026

PRESENT

The HONOURABLE Mr.JUSTICE. K.K.RAMAKRISHNAN

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Manikandan

... Petitioner

Vs.

The State of Tamil Nadu,
Represented by the Inspector of Police,
Vembakottai Police Station,
Virudhunagar District.
(Crime No.63 of 2026)

... Respondent

For Petitioner : Mr.E.Mareeskumar

For Respondent : Mr.P.Kottaisamy
Government Advocate (Criminal Side)

PETITION FOR ANTICIPATORY BAIL Under Sec.482 of BNSS

PRAYER in all cases :-

For Anticipatory Bail in Crime No. 63 of 2026 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 punishable under Sections 9(B)(1)(a) of the Explosives Act, 1884, in Crime No.63 of 2026, on the file of the respondent police, seeks



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anticipatory bail.

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2.The case of the prosecution is that 26.02.2026 at 01.30 p.m. the accused along with two named accused and eight unnamed accused persons said to have manufactured the crackers without having any valid license backside of Sri Sandal Fire Workers Factory, Vembakottai. Hence, the above has been registered as against the petitioner for the above alleged offence.

3.The learned counsel appearing for the petitioner submitted that the petitioner is an innocent person and not involved any offence as alleged by the prosecution. Originally, the said Sri Sandal Fire Works is a partnership firm and he is the manufacturing partner of the said firm. There is a dispute between the partners. This Case has been registered at the instance of the other partners. A1 in this case was arrested and released on bail. He seeks this Court to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner.

4.The learned Government Advocate (Crl. side) appearing for the respondent on instructions submitted that they are doing the manufacturing works illegally, without any valid license. Hence, he sought to dismiss the petition. He also submit that he has four previous cases, similar in nature. Out



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of which three cases are pending. The learned counsel for the petitioner in reply would submit that the above said previous cases were registered in view of the pendency of the dispute between the partners only.

5.This Court considered the rival submissions and perused the records. Considering the submissions made by the learned counsel for the petitioner that there is a partnership firm and there is a dispute between the partners and also A1 was arrested and released on bail and also taking into account the fact that the petitioner is not present in the place of occurrence, 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 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.II, Sattur, within a period of fifteen days from the date on which the order made ready 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 Magistrate may obtain a copy of their Aadhaar card or bank pass book to ensure their identity.



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[b]the petitioner shall report before the respondent police daily at 10.30

a.m., for a period of fifteen days and thereafter, as and when required.

[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].

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

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To

- 1.The Judicial Magistrate No.II, Sattur.
- 2.The Inspector of Police,
Vembakottai Police Station,
Virudhunagar District.
- 3.The Additional Public Prosecutor,
Madurai Bench of Madras High Court,
Madurai.

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