



CRL OP(MD). No. 5250 of 2026

BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

(Criminal Jurisdiction)

Date : 26.03.2026

PRESENT

THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE P. DHANABAL

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Rajiv Prabhu

...Petitioner/Accused

Vs

State of Tamil Nadu rep. by
The Inspector of Police,
Arumuganeri Police Station,
Thoothukudi.
(Crime No. 183 of 2026)

...Respondent/Complainant

For Petitioner : Mr.S.Vishnuvardhan
Advocate.

For Respondent : Mr.B.Nambi Selvan
Additional Public Prosecutor

PETITION FOR BAIL Under Sec.483 of BNSS

PRAYER :-

For Bail in Cr.No. 183 of 2026 on the file of the respondent police.



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ORDER : The Court made the following order :-

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The petitioner / Accused, who was arrested and remanded to judicial custody on 24.02.2026 for the offences punishable under Sections 20(b)(ii)(A), 29(1), 8(c) of NDPS Act, and Section 77 of Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Act, 2015 in Crime No. 183 of 2026 on the file of the respondent police, seeks bail.

2. The case of the prosecution is that on 24.02.2026, the petitioner was in illegal possession of 50 grams of ganja for the purpose of selling the same to the school and college students. Hence the case.

3. The learned counsel appearing for the petitioner would submit that the petitioner is innocent and he was falsely implicated in this case and he has not committed any offence as alleged by the prosecution. He would further submit that he has been arrested and remanded to judicial custody on 24.02.2026. Therefore, prayed to grant bail for the petitioner.

4. The learned Additional Public Prosecutor appearing for the respondent would submit that on 24.02.2026, the petitioner was in illegal



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possession of 50 grams of ganja for the purpose of selling the same to the school and college students. He would further submit that the petitioner has no previous case and the investigation is pending and hence, he strongly opposed to grant bail to the petitioner.

5. This Court heard both sides and perused the materials available on record.

6. Considering the rival submissions made by the learned counsel on either side, nature of offence, and considering the facts that the quantity involved in this case is not a commercial quantity and the petitioner has no previous case and also considering the period of incarceration undergone by the petitioner, this Court is inclined to grant bail to the petitioner subject to the following conditions:

[a] Accordingly, the petitioner is ordered to be released on bail on condition to 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 Sessions



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Judge, Special Court for Exclusive Trial of POCSO Act Cases,
Thoothukudi, and on further conditions that:

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

[c] the petitioner shall not commit any offence similar to
the offence of which he/she is accused, or suspected, or of the
commission of which he/she is suspected;

[d] the petitioner shall not abscond either during
investigation or trial;

[e] the petitioner shall not directly or indirectly make
any inducement, threat or promise to any person acquainted
with the facts of the case so as to dissuade her from disclosing
such facts to the Court or to any police officer or tamper with
the evidence;

[f] On breach of any of the aforesaid conditions, the
learned Judicial 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
released on bail by the learned Magistrate/Trial Court himself



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as laid down by the Hon'ble Supreme Court in P.K.Shaji vs. State of Kerala [(2005)AIR SCW 5560].

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

(P D B J)
26.03.2026

apd

To

- 1.The Sessions Judge,
Special Court for Exclusive Trial of POCSO Act Cases,
Thoothukudi.
- 2.The Inspector of Police,
Arumuganeri Police Station,
Thoothukudi.
3. The Superintendent, District Jail, Peraurani, Thoothukudi.
- 4.The Additional Public Prosecutor,
Madurai Bench of Madras High Court, Madurai.



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