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BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

(Criminal Jurisdiction)

Date : 24.03.2026

PRESENT

THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE P.DHANABAL

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Preethi

... Petitioner / Accused No.2

Versus

The State of Tamilnadu,
Rep by the Inspector of Police,
Pasupathipalayam Police Station,
Karur District.
(Crime No.23 of 2026)

... Respondent / Complainant

PRAYER :-Criminal Original Petition filed under Section 483 of the BNSS, 2023, to enlarge the petitioner on bail in Crime No.23 of 2026 on the file of the respondent police.

For Petitioner : Mr.C.Deepakkumar,
Advocate

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



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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 319(2) and 318(4) of the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023, in Crime No.23 of 2026 on the file of the respondent police, seeks bail.

2. The case of the prosecution is that A1 promised to secure a Government job for the wife of the defacto complainant and, based on such promise, the defacto complainant transferred a sum of Rs.5,85,000/- to the bank accounts of the petitioner and some other accused. Thereafter, A1 switched off his phone and absconded. Subsequently, the defacto complainant came to know that A1 had similarly cheated others by collecting money on the false promise of securing Government jobs. Hence, the present complaint.

3. The learned counsel appearing for the petitioner would submit that the petitioner is innocent and she has not committed any offence as alleged by the prosecution. He would further submit that the only allegation against the petitioner is that a sum of money was credited to



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her bank account. He would also submit that the petitioner was arrested and remanded to judicial custody on 24.02.2026. Hence, he seeks grant of bail to the petitioner.

4. The learned Additional Public Prosecutor appearing for the respondent police would submit that the petitioner has been arrayed as A2 and the offences are grave in nature and investigation is pending. He would further submit that A1 has already been granted anticipatory bail by this Court. He would also submit that the petitioner has no previous cases. However, he opposed the grant of bail to the petitioner.

5. This Court heard the learned counsel appearing on either side and perused the materials placed on record.

6. Considering the rival submissions made by the learned counsel on either side, the nature of the offence, the fact that the petitioner has not directly participated in the offence, the fact that the petitioner has no previous cases, and also considering that A1 has already been granted anticipatory bail and the period of incarceration already undergone by the



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petitioner, this Court is inclined to grant bail to the petitioner, subject to the following conditions:

[a] Accordingly, the petition is allowed and 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 Court No.I, Karur, and on further conditions that :-

[b] the petitioner shall report before the respondent police daily at 10.00 a.m until further orders;

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



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the evidence;

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[f] 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 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]***; and

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

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To

- 1.The Judicial Magistrate Court No.I,
Karur.
- 2.The Officer-in-charge,
Special Prison for Women,
Trichy.
- 3.The Inspector of Police,
Pasupathipalayam Police Station,
Karur District.
- 4.The Additional Public Prosecutor,
Madurai Bench of Madras High Court,
Madurai.

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