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BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

Dated : 20/04/2026

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THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE P. DHANABAL

CRL OP(MD). No.7672 of 2026

1.Kaliammal @ Kaleeswari
2.Annapoorani

... Petitioners/ Accused
Rank Not Known

Vs

State of Tamilnadu Rep by,
The Inspector of Police,
Tirunelveli Junction Police Station,
Tirunelveli City.
(In Crime No. 264 of 2025).
Respondent/Complainant

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PRAYER :-

For Bail in Crime No. 264 of 2025 on the file of the respondent police.

For Petitioners : K.Muthurakkan,
Advocate.

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

ORDER : The Court made the following order :-



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The petitioners / Accused, who were arrested and remanded to judicial custody on 28.11.2025 for the offences punishable under Section 303(2) of BNS, 2023, in Crime No.264 of 2025 on the file of the respondent police, seek bail.

2. The case of the prosecution is that on 07.07.2025 at about 11.00 a.m, when the defacto complainant was travelling in the bus, the petitioners have stolen 32 trams of gold ornaments of the defacto complainant. Hence this case.

3. The learned counsel appearing for the petitioners would submit that the petitioners are innocent and they were falsely implicated in this case and they have not committed any offence as alleged by the prosecution. He would further submit that the name of the petitioners' were not found in the FIR and they are in custody from 28.11.2025 from onwards. Therefore, prayed to grant bail for the petitioners.

4. The learned Additional Public Prosecutor appearing for the



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respondent would submit that the petitioners herein committed the offence of theft and the investigation was completed and final report was filed before the concerned Court and the case is pending for framing charges and each petitioner has 5 previous cases similar in nature.

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 the petitioners are not the named accused in the FIR and though each petitioner has 5 previous cases similar in nature, in all cases they were released on bail and anticipatory bail and the case is also pending for framing charges and considering the period of incarceration undergone by the petitioners from 28.11.2025 onwards, this Court is inclined to grant bail to the petitioners subject to the following conditions:

[a] Accordingly, the petitioners are ordered to be released on bail on condition to execute a bond for a sum of



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Rs.10,000/- (Rupees Ten Thousand only) each with two sureties each for a like sum to the satisfaction of the Judicial Magistrate Court No.4, Tirunelveli District, and on further conditions that:

[b] the petitioners shall report before the trial Court on all working days **at 10.30 a.m., until further orders;**

[c] the petitioners 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 petitioners shall not abscond either during investigation or trial;

[e] the petitioners 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



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appropriate action against the petitioners in accordance with law as if the conditions have been imposed and the petitioners 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].

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

(P D B J)
20.04.2026

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To

- 1.The Judicial Magistrate Court No.4,
Tirunelveli District.
- 2.The Inspector of Police,
Tirunelveli Junction Police Station,
Tirunelveli City.
3. The Superintendent, Women Sub-Jail,
Kokkirakulam, Tirunelveli, Tirunelveli District.
- 4.The Additional Public Prosecutor,
Madurai Bench of Madras High Court, Madurai.

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