



Crl.O.P.(MD)No.6954 of 2026

BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

(Criminal Jurisdiction)

Date : 09.04.2026

PRESENT

THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE P. DHANABAL

CRL OP(MD). No. 6954 of 2026

Velmurugan

... Petitioner

Vs

State of Tamil Nadu rep. by
The Inspector of Police,
Checkanurani Police Station,
Madurai District.
(Crime No.143 of 2026)

...Respondents/Complainant

For Petitioner : Mr.S.Vasantha Yugesh
Advocate.

For Respondent : Mr.M.Karunanithi
Government Advocate (Crl. side)

PETITION FOR ANTICIPATORY BAIL Under Sec.482 of BNSS

PRAYER :-

For Anticipatory Bail in Cr.No. 143 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 for the offences punishable under Sections 303(2) of BNS and Section 21(5) of Mines and Minerals (Development and Regulation) Act, in Crime No.143 of



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2026, on the file of the respondent police, seeks anticipatory bail.

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2. The case of the prosecution is that on 31.03.2026 at about 05.00 a.m., the respondent police found that the petitioner was involved in sand theft illegally. Hence, the case.

3. The learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner is innocent and he was falsely implicated in this case and he is no way connected in the above said incident. He has not committed any offence as alleged by the prosecution. Hence, he prays to grant Anticipatory Bail to the petitioner.

4. The learned Government Advocate (Crl. Side) fairly submits that the offences are grave in nature. The petitioner is involved in theft of valuable minerals from Government land. The petitioner has one previous case. Hence, he vehemently opposed the grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner.

5. Heard both sides and perused the materials available on record.

6. Considering the rival submissions on either side and the nature of offences charged against the petitioner, considering the minerals involved in



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this case, and the entire material was recovered, though the petitioner has one previous case, in that case he was granted bail and also considering all the facts and circumstances of the case, I am inclined to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner, subject to the following conditions:

[a] Accordingly, the petitioner is ordered to be released on anticipatory 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 **Judicial Magistrate No.II, Usilampatti**, and on further conditions that:

[b] the petitioner shall report before the respondent police, at 10.30 a.m., on every Saturday, for a period of four weeks, thereafter, as and when required for interrogation;

[c] the petitioner shall not commit any offences of similar nature.

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

[e] the petitioner shall not tamper with evidence or witness either during investigation or trial.

[f] On breach of any of the aforesaid conditions, the learned Judicial Magistrate/Trial Court is entitled to take appropriate action



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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].

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

(P D B J)
09.04.2026

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To

- 1.The Judicial Magistrate No.II, Usilampatti.
- 2.The Inspector of Police,
Checkanurani Police Station,
Madurai District.
(Crime No.143 of 2026)
- 3.The Additional Public Prosecutor,
Madurai Bench of Madras High Court, Madurai.



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P. DHANABAL, J.

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