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BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

(Criminal Jurisdiction)

Date : 20.04.2026

PRESENT

THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE P. DHANABAL

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Sriram

...Petitioner/Accused-3

Vs

State of Tamil Nadu rep. by
The Inspector of Police,
Annamalai Nagar Police Station,
Cuddalore District.
(Crime No. 69 of 2025)

...Respondent/Complainant

For Petitioner : Mr.S.Ajith
Advocate.

For Respondent : Mr.B.Nambi Selvan
Additional Government Pleader

PETITION FOR BAIL Under Sec.483 of BNSS

PRAYER :-

For Bail in Cr.No. 69 of 2025 on the file of the respondent police.



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ORDER : The Court made the following order :-

The petitioner / Accused, who was arrested and remanded to judicial custody on 05.08.2025 for the offences punishable under Sections 8(c) r/w 20(b)(ii)(C) of NDPS, Act, 1985 in Crime No. 69 of 2025 on the file of the respondent police, seeks bail.

2. The case of the prosecution is that based on the secret information, on 19.04.2025, when the respondent police were in patrol duty, they found that the other accused were in illegal joint possession of 21.100 kgs of ganja. Based on the confession of the co-accused, the petitioner has been arrayed as accused. 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 based on the confession of co-accused only, the petitioner has been arrayed as accused and no contraband was recovered from this petitioner. He would further submit that he has been



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arrested and remanded to judicial custody on 05.08.2025 through P.T.Warrant. Therefore, prayed to grant bail for the petitioner.

4. The learned Government Advocate appearing for the respondent would submit that the other accused were in illegal joint possession of 21.100 kgs of ganja, due to which the case has been registered for the offences punishable under Sections 8(c) r/w 20(b)(ii)(C) of NDPS, Act, 1985 in Crime No. 69 of 2025. He would further submit that the petitioner has six previous cases, out of which one case is similar in nature. He would further submit that after investigation, charge sheet was filed and the same is taken on file in C.C.No.185 of 2025 on the file of the Additional District Judge, Special Court under EC Act cases, Thanjavur and the offences are grave in nature 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



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on either side, nature of offence, and considering the facts that based on the confession of co-accused only, the petitioner has been arrayed as accused and no contraband was recovered from this petitioner and after investigation, charge sheet was filed and the same is taken on file in C.C.No.185 of 2025 on the file of the Additional District Judge, Special Court under EC Act cases, Thanjavur and though the petitioner has six previous cases, one case only is similar in nature 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 Additional District Judge, Special Court under EC Act cases, Thanjavur, and on further conditions that:

[b] the petitioner shall report before the Additional District Judge, Special Court under EC Act cases, Thanjavur, daily at 10.30 a.m. and 5.00 p.m., until further



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



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[g] If the accused thereafter absconds, a fresh FIR can

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(P D B J)
20.04.2026

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To

1. The Additional District Judge,
Special Court under EC Act cases,
Thanjavur.
2. The Inspector of Police,
Annamalai Nagar Police Station,
Cuddalore District.
3. The Superintendent, Central Prison, Coimbatore.
4. The Additional Public Prosecutor,
Madurai Bench of Madras High Court, Madurai.



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P. DHANABAL, J

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