

CRL OP(MD). No.7203 of 2026

BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

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Dated : 10/04/2026

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THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE P. DHANABAL

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Vigneshwaran @ Vignesh

... Petitioner/ Accused No.2

Vs

The State of Tamilnadu Rep By,
The Inspector of Police,
Karimedu Police Station,
Madurai District.
(Crime No.646 of 2021).

... Respondent/ Complainant

PRAYER :-

For Bail in Crime No.646 of 2021 on the file of the respondent
Police.

For Petitioner : K.Dinesh,
Advocate.

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

ORDER : The Court made the following order :-

The petitioner / Accused, who was arrested and remanded to



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judicial custody on 11.03.2026 for the offences punishable under Sections 8(c) r/w 22(b) of NDPS Act and 328 of IPC, in Crime No.646 of 2021 on the file of the respondent police, seeks bail.

2. The The petitioner is accused in Crime No.646 of 2021. During the course of investigation, he was released on bail. Thereafter, after completion of investigation, final report was filed before the Principal Special Court for Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act Cases, Madurai, and the same was taken on file in C.C.No.135 of 2024. Due to non-appearance of the petitioner, Non-bailable warrant was issued against him. Hence, this petition.

3. It is not in dispute that since the petitioner has not turned up for the hearing, Non-Bailable Warrant (NBW) was ordered to be issued on 05.06.2025 and the same was executed on 11.03.2026 and he is still in judicial custody.

4.The learned counsel for the petitioner would submit that the petitioner is an innocent person and he has not committed any offence as



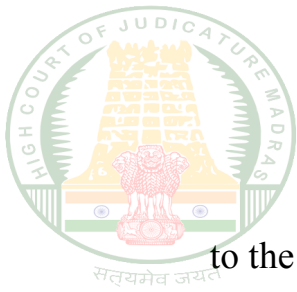
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alleged by the prosecution. He would further submit that the petitioner is in judicial custody from 11.03.2026. Therefore, he prayed to grant bail to the petitioner.

5. The learned Government Advocate (Crl.Side) appearing for the respondent would submit that due to non-appearance, the Non-Bailable Warrant was issued against the petitioner. Hence, he strongly opposed to grant bail to the petitioner.

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

7. Considering the rival submissions made by the learned counsel on either side, nature of offence, and considering the fact that already the petitioner was granted bail and thereafter, due to non-appearance, NBW was issued against the petitioner on 05.06.2025 and the same was executed on 11.03.2026 and the case in C.C.No.135 of 2024 was posted for trial and also considering the period of incarceration undergone by the petitioner, this Court is inclined to grant bail to the petitioner subject



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to the following conditions:

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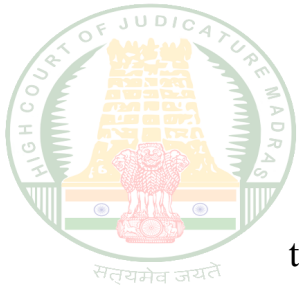
[a] Accordingly, the petitioner is ordered to be released on bail on condition to execute a bond for a sum of Rs.10,000/- (Rupees Ten Thousand only) with two sureties each for a like sum to the satisfaction of the Principal Special Court for Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act Cases, Madurai, and on further conditions that:

[b] the petitioner shall report before the Principal Special Court for Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act Cases, Madurai, on all working days Morning 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



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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].

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

(P D B J)
10.04.2026

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To

- 1.The Principal Special Court for Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act Cases, Madurai,
- 2.The Inspector of Police,
Karimedu Police Station, Madurai District.
3. The Superintendent, Central Prison, Madurai.
- 4.The Additional Public Prosecutor,
Madurai Bench of Madras High Court, Madurai.

ORDER
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