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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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Merlin Raja

...Petitioners/Accused No.2

Vs

State of Tamil Nadu rep. by
The Inspector of Police,
Kalakkad Police Station
Tirunelveli District.
(Crime No. 321 of 2026)

...Respondent/Complainant

For Petitioner :Mr.M.Maharaja
Advocate.

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

PETITION FOR ANTICIPATORY BAIL Under Sec.482
of BNSS

PRAYER :- For Anticipatory Bail in Cr.No. 321
of 2026 on the file of the respondent police.



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ORDER : The Court made the following order :-

The petitioner/A2, who apprehends arrest at the hands of the respondent for the offences punishable under Sections 118(1) and 296(b) of BNS, in Crime No.321 of 2026, on the file of the respondent police, seek anticipatory bail.

2.The case of the prosecution is that the petitioner along with other accused teased the sister of the defacto complainant, when the same was questioned, on 22.03.2026, the petitioner along with other accused persons abused him in filthy language and attacked him, thereby, he sustained injuries. 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



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not committed any offence as alleged by the prosecution. He would further submit that the co-accused has already been granted anticipatory bail by this Court. Hence, he prays to grant Anticipatory Bail to the petitioner.

4.The learned Additional Public Prosecutor submits that the offence is grave in nature. There is previous dispute between the parties. The injured sustained simple injuries. He vehemently opposed the grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioners. There is no previous case pending against the petitioner. The injured has been discharged from the hospital.

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



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the petitioners, considering the dispute between the parties, the injured has been discharged from the hospital and there is no previous case against the petitioner and the co-accused has already been granted anticipatory bail by this Court 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, Nanguneri, and on further conditions that:

[b] the petitioner shall report before the respondent police once in a week ie., on Every Saturday at 10.30



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a.m., for a period of four weeks and 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 against the petitioner in accordance with law as if the conditions have been imposed and the



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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 B.N.S.

(P D B J)

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- 1.The learned Judicial Magistrate, Nanguneri.
- 2.The Inspector of Police,
Kalakkad Police Station
Tirunelveli District.
- 3.The Additional Public Prosecutor,
Madurai Bench of Madras High Court, Madurai.



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