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BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

(Criminal Jurisdiction)

Date : 10.06.2026

PRESENT

THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE P. DHANABAL

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U.Rathnamala

...Petitioner/Accused

Vs

State of Tamil Nadu rep. by
The Inspector of Police,
CBCID Crime Branch
Theni District.
(Crime No. 1 of 2022)

...Respondent

For Petitioner : Mr.S.Malaikani
Advocate.

For Respondent : Mr.N.Balasubramanian
Counsel for State of TN (Crl.Side)

PETITION FOR ANTICIPATORY BAIL Under Sec.482 of BNSS

PRAYER :-

For Anticipatory Bail in Cr.No. 1 of 2022 on the file of the respondent police.

ORDER : The Court made the following order :-

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The petitioner, who apprehends arrest at the hands of the respondent for the offences punishable under Sections 409, 465, 466, 477(A), 468, 471, 472, 109 of Indian Penal Code and Section 13(2) r/w 13(1)(c) and 13(1)(d)(i) of Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988, 13(2) r/w 13(1)(a) of Prevention of Corruption (Amendment) Act, 2018 in Crime No. 1 of 2022 on the file of the respondent police, seeks anticipatory bail.

2. The case of the prosecution is that the petitioner and other accused were illegally create online patta for the government poramboke lands in the names of private individuals, namely, one Annaprakash and his relatives. Hence, the case.

3. The learned counsel for the petitioner would submit 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. He would further submit that for a single transaction, three cases have been registered against the petitioner and co-accused were already released on bail. Hence, he prayed to grant



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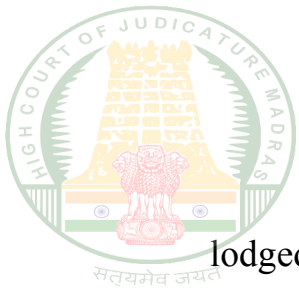
Anticipatory Bail to the petitioner.

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4. The learned Counsel for State of TN (Crl.Side) would submit that based on the complaint given by the defacto complainant, a case has been registered for the offences punishable under Sections 409, 465, 466, 477(A), 468, 471, 472, 109 of Indian Penal Code and Section 13(2) r/w 13(1)(c) and 13(1)(d)(i) of Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988 13(2) r/w 13(1)(a) of Prevention of Corruption (Amendment) Act, 2018 in Crime No. 3 of 2022. He would further submit that investigation is completed. He would further submit that the offences are grave in nature and hence, he opposed to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner.

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

6. Considering the rival submissions made on either side and the nature of offences charged against the petitioner, and considering the facts that for a single transaction, three cases have been registered, investigation is completed and even according to the prosecution, the alleged occurrence took place in the year 2021; however, FIR has been

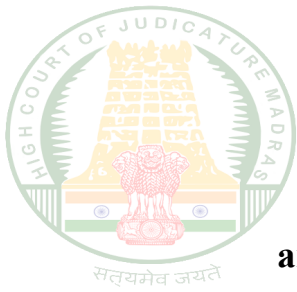


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lodged only in the year 2022 and so far, no steps have been taken by the respondent to secure the accused, co-accused were already granted bail and even according to the prosecution, all offences are borne out of records, thereby there is no scope to tamper the evidence, 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 bail in the event of arrest or on his/her appearance, within a period of fifteen days from the date on which the order copy made ready, before the learned Judicial Magistrate, Theni, on condition that the petitioner shall 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 concerned and on further conditions that:

[b] the petitioner shall report before the learned Principal District Court, Theni, on first day of English Calender month at 10.30 a.m. for a period of three months,



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and thereafter as and when required for the interrogation.

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[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 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.

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(P D B J)
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1. The Principal District Court, Theni,
2. The Judicial Magistrate, Theni.
3. The Inspector of Police,
CBCID Crime Branch,
Theni District.
4. The Additional Public Prosecutor,
Madurai Bench of Madras High Court, Madurai.



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