

CRL OP(MD). No. 9004 of 2026

BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

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(Criminal Jurisdiction)

Date : 15.06.2026

PRESENT

THE HONOURABLE **MR. JUSTICE P. DHANABAL**

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Jerald Vivek

...Petitioner/Accused

Vs

State of Tamil Nadu rep. by
The Senior Intelligence Officer,
Directorate of Revenue Intelligence,
Trichy Regional Unit,
Cantonment,
Trichy.
(F.No.DRI/ZU/23/2025-Add/JD-10/o.ADG-DRI-ZU
Chennai)

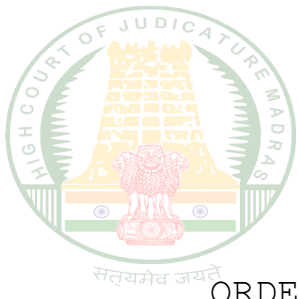
For Petitioner :Mr.R.Ram Guru

For Respondent :Mr.S.Gurumurthy

Special Public Prosecutor
for DRI

PETITION FOR ANTICIPATORY BAIL Under Sec.482
of BNSS

PRAYER :- This petition is filed to pass an
order directing the petitioner to be released on
bail in the event of his arrest in connection
with Crime No.F.No.DRI/ZU/23/2025-ADD/JD-1
O/o.ADG-DRI-ZU-Chennai on the file of the
respondent Police.



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ORDER : The Court made the following order :-

The petitioner/accused, who apprehends arrest at the hands of the respondent for the offences punishable under Section 36E of the Tamil Nadu Forest Act, 1882 @ 135(A) r/w Section 104 of Customs Act, 1962, in Crime No. F. No. DRI/ZU/23/2025-ADD/JD-10/o.ADG-DRI-ZU-Chennai on the file of the Senior Intelligence Officer, seeks anticipatory bail.

2.The case of the prosecution is that on 25.02.2026, on secret information, the respondent/Directorate of Revenue Intelligence conducted search in the house of one Satya situated at Kodinganpettai Village, Karur District. During the search, the respondent Police found the petitioner was in illegal possession of 5.5 tons of redwood logs and the same were seized. Hence, the complaint.



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3. The learned counsel for the petitioner would submit that the petitioner is an innocent person and he was falsely implicated in this case and he is no way connected in the above said incident. He would further submit that based on the confession of the co-accused, he was arrayed as accused in this case and he is not a named accused. Hence, he prays to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner.

4. The learned Special Public Prosecutor appearing for the DRI would submit that the investigation is still pending and the offences are grave in nature and the petitioner has no previous cases. However, he opposes to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner.

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

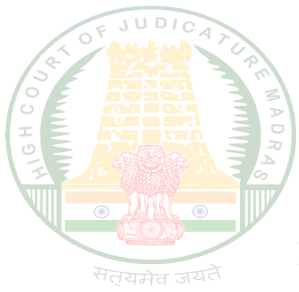


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6. Considering the rival submissions on either side and the nature of offences charged against the petitioner and the petitioner has been arrayed as accused based on the confession of the co-accused and he is not a named accused and the co-accused was already granted bail by this Court and this Court already granted anticipatory bail to the petitioner and the petitioner appeared before the respondent Police and cooperated for the investigation and the petitioner has no previous cases and also considering all other facts and circumstances of the case, the interim anticipatory bail granted by this Court is made absolute subject to the following conditions:

[a] Accordingly, the petitioner is ordered to be released on bail in the event of arrest or on his appearance, within a period of fifteen days from the date on which the order copy made ready,



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before the learned **Judicial Magistrate No.II, Kulithalai**, 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 respondent police once in a week ie., on Every Saturday at 10.30 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



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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.

(P D B J)

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- To
- 1.The Judicial Magistrate No.II, Kulithalai.
 - 2.The Senior Intelligence Officer,
Directorate of Revenue Intelligence,
Trichy Regional Unit,
Cantonment,
Trichy.
 - 3.The Additional Public Prosecutor,
Madurai Bench of Madras High Court, Madurai.



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