



CRL OP(MD). No.10554 of 2026

BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

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Dated : 09/06/2026

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THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE P. DHANABAL

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V Elangovan

... Petitioner/Sole Accused

Vs

The State of Tamilnadu Rep By,
The Inspector of Police,
Kodaikanal Police Station,
Dindigul District.
Cr.No.203 of 2026.

... Respondent/Complainant

PRAYER :-

For Anticipatory bail in Cr.No.203 of 2026 on the file of the respondent police.

For Petitioner : R.Jaswanth Ram,
Advocate.

For Respondent : Mr.N.Balasubramanian,
Government Advocate (Crl.Side)

ORDER : The Court made the following order :-



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The petitioner, who apprehends arrest at the hands of the respondent for the offence punishable under Section 4(1)(A) of TNP Act,, in Crime No.203 of 2026 on the file of the respondent police, seeks anticipatory bail.

2. The case of the prosecution is that on 16.05.2026 at about 07.00 a.m, when the respondent police were on patrol duty, they found the petitioner was in illegal possession of 221 numbers of 180 ml TASMAC liquor bottles. Hence, the case.

3. The learned counsel for the petitioner would submit that the petitioner is an innocent and he was falsely implicated in this case and he has no way connected in the above said incident. Hence, he prays to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner.

4. The learned Government Advocate (Crl. Side) would submit that 221 numbers of 180 ml TASMAC liquor bottles. and the investigation is still pending and the petitioner has 7 previous cases. Hence, he opposes to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner.



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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 the petitioner, and the quantity involved in this case and though the prosecution stated that the petitioner has 7 previous cases, in those cases, he was released on bail, 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 appearance, within a period of fifteen days from the date on which the order copy made ready, before the **Judicial Magistrate Court No.II, Kodaikanal**, 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 Sempatty



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Police Station, daily at 10.30 a.m. for a period of 30 days, and thereafter as and when required for the 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 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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To

- 1.The Judicial Magistrate Court No.II, Kodaikanal.
- 2.The Inspector of Police,
Kodaikanal Police Station,
Dindigul District.
- 3.The Additional Public Prosecutor,
Madurai Bench of Madras High Court, Madurai.
- 4.The Inspector of Police, Sempatty Police Station,
Dindigul District.



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