



Crl.O.P.(MD)No.11494 of 2026

BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

(Criminal Jurisdiction)

Date : 18.06.2026

PRESENT

THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE P. DHANABAL

CRL OP(MD). No. 11494 of 2026

Arunkumar

... Petitioner

Vs

State of Tamil Nadu rep. by
The Inspector of Police,
Sathankulam Police Station,
Thoothukudi District.
(Crime No.355 of 2026)

...Respondents/Complainant

For Petitioner : Mr.R.Ponkarthikeyan
Advocate.

For Respondent : Mr.G.Ganesh Kumar
Government Advocate (Crl. side)

PETITION FOR ANTICIPATORY BAIL Under Sec.482 of BNSS

PRAYER :-

For Anticipatory Bail in Cr.No. 355 of 2026 on the file of the respondent police.

ORDER : The Court made the following order :-

The petitioner, who apprehends arrest at the hands of the respondent for the offences punishable under Section 303(2) of BNS, in Crime No.355 of 2026, on the file of the respondent police, seeks anticipatory bail.



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2. The case of the prosecution is that on 08.06.2026, the petitioner along with other accused persons involved in illegal transportation of 1 ½ units of Jalli and three units of graval sand, without any valid permission. 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 not committed any offence as alleged by the prosecution. On the basis of the confession statement of the co-accused only this petitioner has been implicated in this case. Hence, he prays to grant Anticipatory Bail to the petitioner.

4. The learned Government Advocate (Crl. Side) submits that the offences are grave in nature. The petitioner along with other accused persons committed theft of valuable minerals. A1 was arrested in this case and still in custody. On his confession statement this petitioner has been implicated in this case. The petitioner has no previous cases. Investigation is still pending. He vehemently opposed the grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner.



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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, the quantity and nature of minerals involved in this case, A1 was arrested in this case and still in custody, on the basis of his confession statement this petitioner has been implicated in this case, the petitioner has no previous case and considering all other 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 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 learned Judicial Magistrate, Sathankulam, 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 Magistrate concerned and on further condition that:

[b] the petitioner shall report before the respondent police at 10.30 a.m., on every Saturday, for a period of four weeks, thereafter as and when required for interrogation:



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[c] the petitioner shall not commit any offences of similar

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[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.

(P D B J)
18.06.2026

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To

1.The Judicial Magistrate, Sathankulam.

2.The Inspector of Police,
Sathankulam Police Station,
Thoothukudi District.



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3. The Additional Public Prosecutor,
Madurai Bench of Madras High Court, Madurai.

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