



Crl.O.P.(MD)No.19366 of 2025

BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

(Criminal Jurisdiction)

Date : 24.02.2026

PRESENT

The HONOURABLE MRS.JUSTICE S.SRIMATHY

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Selvam

... Petitioner

Vs.

1. The State of Tamil Nadu,
Rep. by the Inspector of Police,
Vadasery Police Station,
Kanyakumari District.
(Crime No.297 of 2025)

2. T.Senthil Kumar,
Manager of IDBI Bank,
Vadaseri Branch.

[R-2 is suo motu impleaded by the order
of this court dated 05.11.2025 in Crl.O.P
(MD) No.19366/2025]

... Respondents

For Petitioner : Mr.P.Jeyasankar

For Respondents: Mr.S.S.Manoj For R1
Government Advocate (Crl.Side)

: Mr.B.Rajesh Saravanan For R2

PETITION FOR ANTICIPATORY BAIL Under Sec.482 of BNSS

PRAYER :- For Anticipatory Bail in Cr.No.297 of 2025 on the file of the
respondent police.



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ORDER: The Court made the following order :-

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The petitioner, who apprehends arrest at the hands of the respondent police for the offences punishable under Sections 318(2) and 318(4) of BNSS, in Crime No.297 of 2025, on the file of the respondent police, seeks anticipatory bail.

2.The case of the prosecution is that de-facto complainant is the Manager of IDBI Bank of Tirunelveli, Vadaseri Branch. The petitioner is working as jewel appraiser in the said bank. While he was working as jewel appraiser for the period from 2016 to 2025 in the said bank, he had forged the jewels worth about Rs. 57,61,000/- and he had fraudulently misappropriated the gold jewels worth about Rs. 57,61,000/-. Hence, the apprehension of arrest. Hence, a case has been registered as against the petitioner.

3.The learned counsel appearing for the petitioner submitted that the petitioner has been falsely implicated in this case and the petitioner has not committed any offence. He seeks this Court to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner.

4.The learned Government Advocate (Crl. side) appearing for the



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respondent submitted that the offences committed by the petitioner are serious in nature.

5.Considering the facts and circumstances of the case, this Court is inclined to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner with certain conditions.

6.Accordingly, the petitioner is ordered to be released on bail in the event of arrest or on his appearance, 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 No.2, Nagercoil, within a period of fifteen days from the date on which the order copy made ready and on further conditions that:

[a]the petitioner and the sureties shall affix their photographs and left thumb impression in the surety bond and the Magistrate may obtain a copy of their Aadhaar card or bank pass book to ensure their identity.

[b] the petitioner is directed to deposit a sum of Rs.3,00,000/- (Rupees Three Lakh Only), to the credit of Crime No.297 of 2025 before the learned Judicial Magistrate No.2, Nagercoil. After receipt of entire amount, the learned Judicial Magistrate, shall deposit the said amount in an interest bearing Fixed Deposit in any Nationalized Bank initially for a period of one year and renew



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them periodically until the final order/Judgment is passed in the case in Crime No.297 of 2025. The learned Judicial Magistrate or Trial Court shall pass orders regarding entitlement of the said amount in its final order/Judgment.

[c]the petitioner shall report before the respondent police daily at 10.30 a.m., for a period of two weeks and thereafter, as and when required.

[d]the petitioner shall not tamper with the evidence or witness either during investigation or trial.

[e]the petitioner shall not abscond either during investigation or trial.

[f]On breach of any of the aforesaid conditions, the learned 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 is 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 of BNS.

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1. Judicial Magistrate No.2
Nagercoil.

2.The Inspector of Police,
Vadaseri Police Station,
Kanyakumari District.

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



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