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BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED: 04-11-2026

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THE HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE K.MURALI SHANKAR

CRL OP(MD) No. 25206 of 2026

CNR:{HCMD011580572026}

Vasanthi

..Petitioner/
Accused No.3

Vs

The State Of Tamilnadu Rep By
The Inspector Of Police,
Anna Nagar Police Station,
Madurai City.
(Crime No.417 of 2026)

..Respondent/
Complainant

PETITION FOR BAIL Under Section 483 BNSS.

Prayer : For Bail in Crime No.417 of 2026 on the file of the Respondent Police.

For Petitioner(s) :Mr.S.Poornachandran
for Mr.M.Sakthi Kumar

For Respondent(s) :Mr.T.Lenin Kumar,
Additional Public Prosecutor

For Intervenor :Mr.S.K.Venkat Raman

ORDER

The petitioner / third accused, who was arrested and remanded to judicial custody on 25.09.2026 for the offences punishable under Section

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420 IPC altered into Sections 420, 468 and 471 IPC, in Crime No.417 of 2026, on the file of the respondent police, seeks bail.

2. The case of the prosecution is that the petitioner introduced the defacto complainant to the first and second accused, namely, Christy Jeevagan and Rejino, who allegedly represented that they could secure employment as Junior Assistants in the American College, Madurai, for the defacto complainant, his brother and his relative, namely, Jeevitha. Believing their representation, a sum of Rs.24,00,000/- was transferred to the bank account of the first accused through various bank transactions. Thereafter, the accused issued appointment orders. However, when they went to the college to join duty, the first accused informed them that there were certain administrative issues and instructed them to return. Subsequently, when the amount was demanded back, the accused issued three cheques for a total sum of Rs.24,00,000/-, which were dishonoured on presentation for the reason of insufficient funds. Thus, the accused allegedly cheated the defacto complainant and others. Hence, the case came to be registered against four persons including the petitioner and subsequently, the fifth accused was added.

3. The learned Additional Public Prosecutor appearing for the

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respondent police would submit that the total amount involved is Rs.24 lakhs and that this Court, by a separate order passed today in Crl.O.P.(MD)Nos.24216 and 22076 of 2026, has granted bail to the fifth accused and anticipatory bail to the second accused, taking note of the undertaking affidavits filed by them, wherein they undertook to deposit a sum of Rs.5,00,000/- each. He would further submit that the petitioner is not having any previous cases.

4. The learned counsel appearing for the petitioner would submit that subsequent to the arrest of the petitioner, the petitioner's relative has paid Rs.5 lakhs to the defacto complainant. He would further submit that the petitioner is in judicial custody from 25.09.2026.

5. The learned counsel appearing for the intervenor would concede the same.

6. Considering the above facts and circumstances and taking note of the fact that the petitioner has already paid Rs.5 lakhs to the defacto complainant directly and also the facts that the petitioner is in judicial custody from 25.09.2026 and that the petitioner is not having any previous cases, this Court is inclined to grant bail to the petitioner subject

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to the following conditions:

7. Accordingly, the petitioner is ordered to be released on bail on her executing a bond for a sum of **Rs.25,000/- (Rupees Twenty Five Thousand only)** with two sureties each for a like sum to the satisfaction of the learned Judicial Magistrate No.VI, Madurai, and on further conditions that:

a) the sureties shall affix their photographs and left thumb impression in the surety bond and the Magistrate / concerned court may obtain a copy of their Aadhar card or Bank Pass Book to ensure their identity;

b) the petitioner shall report before the respondent police daily at 10.30 a.m., for a period of one month and thereafter, as and when required for interrogation;

c) the petitioner shall not tamper with the evidence or witness either during investigation or trial;

d) the petitioner shall not abscond either during investigation or trial;

e) 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

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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];***

f) If the accused thereafter abscond, a fresh FIR can be registered under Section 269 BNS, 2023.

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To

1. The Judicial Magistrate No.VI, Madurai.
2. Do through the Chief Judicial Magistrate, Madurai.
3. The Superintendent, Women Prison, Madurai.
4. The Inspector Of Police, Anna Nagar Police Station, Madurai City.
5. The Additional Public Prosecutor, Madurai Bench of Madras High Court, Madurai.

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