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Court : Chennai

Decided On : Jul-01-2026

Judge : Honourable Mr.Justice K.Rajasekar

Appeal No. : CRL OP(MD)/12934/2026

Appellant : Nagaraj

Respondent : The State of Tamilnadu

Judgement :

BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

(Criminal Jurisdiction) Date : 01.07.2026 PRESENT THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE K. RAJASEKAR CRL OP(MD). No. 12934 of 2026 Nagaraj ...Petitioner Vs State of Tamil Nadu rep. by The Inspector of Police, Theni Police Station, Theni District. (Crime No.335 of 2026) ...Respondent/Complainant For Petitioner : Mr.R.Maheswaran for Mr.P.Praveenkumar Advocate For Respondent : Mr.N.Balasubramanian Counsel for State of TN (Crl. Side) PETITION FOR BAIL Under Sec.483 of BNSS PRAYER :- For Bail in Cr.No. 335 of 2026 on the file of the respondent police.

ORDER : The Court made the following order :-

The petitioner / Accused, who was arrested and remanded to judicial custody on 03.06.2026, for the offences punishable under Section 194 of BNS @ 191(2), 127(2), 137(2) and 108 of BNS, in Crime No.335 of 2026 on the file of the respondent police, seeks bail.

2. The case of the prosecution is that the deceased in this case was an

employee in a show room and it is alleged that he supplied certain electrical goods to some customers and no payments have been remitted. Hence, the petitioner along with other accused, who are also other Executives of the showroom confined him in the room and demanded return back of money. The deceased is unable to bear the insult and he jumped out of the building and committed suicide. Hence, the case was registered against the accused and they were arrested.

3. The learned counsel appearing for the petitioner would submit that the

petitioner is innocent and he was falsely implicated in this case and he has not committed any offence as alleged by the prosecution. He would further submit that the accused have not illegally confined him. Since they are the Executives, they are duty bound to collect the money and remit the same to the company's account. They only demanded the money. The deceased in order to avoid the payment jumped out of the building and committed suicide. Hence, the accused could not be liable for the same. The petitioner is in custody from 03.06.2026 and ready to abide any condition imposed by this Court. Hence, he prayed bail

for the petitioner.

4. The learned Counsel appearing for the State reiterated the prosecution case and reported that the petitioner has no previous case. Investigation is still pending. He opposed the grant of bail to the petitioner.

5. This Court heard both sides and perused the materials available on record.

6. Considering the facts and circumstances of the case, considering the

nature of offence, the petitioner has no previous case and also considering the period of incarceration, I am inclined to grant bail to the petitioner subject to certain conditions. [a] Accordingly, the petitioner is ordered to be released on bail on condition to execute a bond for a sum of Rs.20,000/- (Rupees Twenty Thousand only) with two sureties each for a like sum to the satisfaction of the learned Judicial Magistrate, Theni, and on further conditions that: [b] the petitioner shall report before the respondent police daily at 10.30 a.m., for a period of two weeks, thereafter as and

when required for interrogation; [c] the petitioner shall not commit any offence similar to the offence of which he/she is accused, or suspected, or of the commission of which he/she is suspected; [d] the petitioner shall not abscond either during investigation or trial; [e] the petitioner shall not directly or indirectly make any

inducement, threat or promise to any person acquainted with the facts

of the case so as to dissuade her from disclosing such facts to the Court or to any police officer or tamper with the evidence; [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 51730]. [g] If the accused thereafter absconds, a fresh FIR can be registered under Section 269 BNS. (K R S J) 01.07.2026 TM

To 1.The Judicial Magistrate, Theni. 2.The Inspector of Police, Theni Police Station, Theni District. (Crime No.335 of 2026) 3.The Superintendent, District

Prison, Thekkampatti, Theni. 4.The Additional Public Prosecutor, Madurai Bench of Madras High Court, Madurai.

K. RAJASEKAR, J.

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ORDER

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