

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 19-08-2026

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THE HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE N.RAMESH

CRL OP No. 22384 of 2026

Ranjith
S/o. Seenivasan Kuttaiyan,
No.519, South Street, Velangudipatti,
Kulathur Taluk, Vathanakurichi,
Tirumalairayapuram,
Pudukkottai 622 504.

..Petitioner(s)

Vs

The State Rep By, The Inspector of Police
Avinashipalayam Police Station,
Tiruppur District.
Crime No. 313/2026

..Respondent(s)

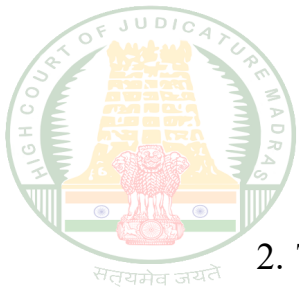
PRAYER : Criminal Original Petition filed under Section 483 of Bharatiya
Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023, to enlarge the petitioner on bail in Crime NO.
313 of 2026 on the file of the respondent police and thus render justice.

For Petitioner(s): M/s. Deepanuday

For Respondent(s): Mr.M.M.I.Khaleel, Govt.Advocate (Crl.Side)

ORDER

The petitioner, who was arrested and remanded to judicial custody on
19.07.2026 for the alleged offence under Section 123 and 275 of BNS and
under Section 20(2) of the Cigarettes and other Tobacco Products (Prohibition
of Advertisement and Regulation of Trade and Commerce, Production, Supply
and Distribution) Act, 2003 in Crime No.313 of 2026 on the file of the
respondent police, seeks bail.



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2. The case of the prosecution is that the petitioner was alleged to found in possession of 8.100 kgs of banned tobacco products namely Hans, Vimal Pan Masala and V1 Tobacco. Hence, this case.

3. The learned counsel appearing for the petitioner submitted that the petitioner has been falsely implicated in the present case and that he has not committed any offence as alleged by the prosecution. He would further submit that the petitioner is ready to abide by any stringent conditions that may be imposed by this Court. Hence, he prays for grant of bail to the Petitioner.

4. Per contra, the learned Government Advocate (Criminal Side) appearing for the Respondent Police reiterated the prosecution case and opposed the grant of bail on the ground that the petitioner has one previous case, similar in nature pending against him. Hence, he oppose the grant of bail to the Petitioner.

5. I have given my anxious consideration to either side submissions and perused the materials available on record.

6. From the submissions made by the learned counsel on either side, it is seen that though the petitioner has one previous case, similar in nature,



considering the period of incarceration of the petitioner, this Court is of the firm view that custodial interrogation of the petitioner is not required. Hence, this Court is inclined to enlarge the petitioner on bail on certain conditions.

7. Accordingly, the petitioner is ordered to be released on bail on his executing a bond for a sum of **Rs.25,000/- (Rupees Twenty Five Thousand only)** with **two sureties**, for a like sum to the satisfaction of the **learned Judicial Magistrate, Palladam**, and on further conditions that:

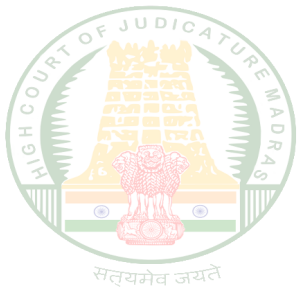
[a] the sureties shall affix their photographs and Left Thumb Impression in the Application for Surety ship [Judicial Form No.46 annexed to 'The Criminal Rules of Practice, 2019']. The learned Magistrate shall obtain a copy of any one of the identity proofs to ensure their identity;

[b] the petitioner shall report before the respondent police daily at 10.30 a.m., until further orders;

[c] the petitioner shall not abscond either during investigation or trial;

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

[e] On breach of any of the aforementioned conditions, the learned Magistrate/Trial Court is entitled to pass appropriate orders against the petitioner in accordance with law as if the aforementioned 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)13**



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SCC 283];

[f] If the accused thereafter absconds, a fresh FIR can be registered under Section 269 of B.N.S.

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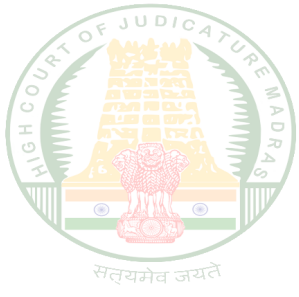
To

1.The Judicial Magistrate,
Palladam.

2. The Inspector of Police
Avinashipalayam Police Station,
Tiruppur District.

3.The Superintendent,
Palladam Sub jail.

4.The Public Prosecutor,
High Court, Madras.



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