IN THE COURT OF PRINCIPAL SESSIONS JUDGE, CHENNAI

Present : Dr.R.Sathya, M.L., Ph.D.,
I Additional Sessions Judge
Incharge : Principal Sessions Judge

Friday, the 14th day of August, 2026.

Crl.M.P.No.7508/2026
(TNCH01-018628-2026)
in
Cyber Crime Wing P.S. Crime No.68/2026

Thennarasu .. Petitioner/Accused

Vs.

State Rep. by
Additional Superintendent of Police,
State Cyber Crime Investigation Centre,
Cyber Crime Wing,
Chennai. ..Respondent/Complainant.

This petition is coming on this day before this court for hearing in the presence of M/s.E.Shanthakumar, T.Yuvaresh and V.Gopikrishna, the Counsel for the petitioner and of the CPP for respondent police and upon hearing both sides, this Court delivered the following,

ORDER

1. The petitioner, who was arrested on 15.07.2026 in connection with Cr.No.68/2026 for the offences punishable under Section 318(4), 319(2), 336(3), 338, 340(2) r/w. 3(5), 61(2) of BNS and Sec.66D IT Act has come up with the present application seeking for bail.

2. The learned counsel for the petitioner submitted that the petitioner is innocent and he has no connection with the alleged fraud committed by the other accused. The petitioner himself is the victim and his bank account has been misused by the fraudsters. Th entire amount, which was transferred to the bank account of the petitoiner was transferred to some other bank account by the cyber fraudsters. The petitioner was not benefited out of the above crime. Hence, prays for granting bail.

3. Per contra, the learned CPP has submitted that based on the complaint given by one Manikandan, the present case in Cr.No.68/2026 was registered by the

respondent police for the offences punishable under Section 318(4), 319(2), 336(3), 338, 340(2) r/w. 3(5), 61(2) of BNS and Sec.66D IT Act. The defacto complainant was induced to invest a sum of Rs.4,31,00,000/- in a fake online trading platform on the promise of high returns. Out of which, a sum of Rs.10,11,979/- was transferred to the account bearing No.925020007126002 maintained with Axis Bank. The said bank account held in the name of NETPLUS TRADE owned by this petitioner/A5. It is only a mule account and no such company was operated in the said address. The mobile number linked to the said bank account was made de-active. Notice u/s.35(3) of BNSS was given to this petitioner/A5 to appear before the Investigation Officer and after confirming his involvement in the above crime, this petitioner/A5 was arrested by the respondent police on 14.07.2026. During investigation, it came to light that the petitioner and A6/Saravanakumar developed a friendship in the prison, when they were taken custody in a job racket case registered by CCB. By developing the said friendship, they got introduced through Telegram to a person named Rocky, who explained a scheme of using current bank accounts for fraudulent financial transactions in return for commission. The said Rocky introduced A6 to one Kattappa, who instructed A6 to arrange current accounts from other persons. This petitioner/A5 and A6 in collusion with each other arranged the establishment of Netplus Trade in the petitioner's name with a fake address. A sum of Rs.10,11,979/- a portion of the above cheated amount was received in the said account. Apart from that this account involved in several other financial frauds. From the money received in his account, the petitioner/A5 has transferred a sum of Rs.18 lakhs to his friend Vignesh. A6 has received a sum of Rs.1 lakh as commission from Kattappa for arranging bank accounts. In respect of the present account, more than Rs.40 lakhs was transacted to this account and there are 8 NCRP complaints. Therefore, learned CPP has strongly opposed to grant bail to this petitioner.

4. This court have given its thoughtful consideration to the rival submissions put forth by either side. Based on the complaint given by one Manikandan, the present crime came to be registered by the respondent police. As per the allegations,

the defacto complainant was induced by Cyber Fraudsters to invest in online fake trading platform to the tune of Rs.4,31,00,000/-. When the defacto complainant attempted to withdraw his profits, he realized that it is only a Cyber fraud. Out of the said Rs.4,31,00,000/-, a sum of Rs.10,11,979/- was transferred to the accused bank account No.925020007126002 stood in the name of Netplus Traders owned by this petitioner/A5. In fact, there is no such company, it is only a mule account. Apart from this transaction, the said account is involved in 8 NCRP complaints. A6 received more than Rs.1 lakhs as commission from one Kattappa, who was instructed to open this current account. This petitioner has transferred a sum of Rs.18 lakhs from the said Axis bank account to his friend Vignesh's account. From the submission of learned CPP, it is found that no money is recovered from the petitioner and in this case. The investigation is in initial stage. No change of circumstances after the dismissal of the earlier petition on 03.08.2026. Therefore, this court is not inclined to grant bail to the petitioner. Accordingly, this petition is dismissed.

Dictated to Steno-typist, typed by him directly, corrected and pronounced by me in open court this the 14th day of August, 2026.

R SATHYA

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