

**IN THE SPECIAL COURT FOR THE TRIAL OF PMLA CASES/
(SPECIAL COURT (SPE/CBI)-I), ERNAKULAM.
Present: Smt. Mini D Das, Judge for PMLA Cases
Tuesday the 19th day of December, 2023 / 28th Agrahayana, 1945.**

Crl. M. P. No. 156/2023 in S C. No. 533/2018

Petitioner/ Accused No. 11 : N. Jayamurugan, Aged about 51 years S/o Late Nagalingam, New No.4, Old No.20, Chitharanjan Salai, Teynampet, Chennai – 600018.
By Adv. Sri. John Prakash Bavakkat

Respondent / Complainant: : The Deputy Director, Directorate of Enforcement, Government of India, Kochi Zonal Office, Kanoos Castle, A.K. Seshadri Road, Mullassery Canal Road West, Kochi – 682 011.

Represented by Smt. Govindu. P. Renuka Devi, Special Public Prosecutor (PMLA), Directorate of Enforcement.

This Criminal M.P coming on for hearing before me on 18.12.2023 and the Court on 19.12.2023 passed the following:

ORDER

1. This is an application filed by accused No.11 Sri. N. Jayamurugan seeking return of passport and permit to travel abroad.

2. The petitioner/accused No.11 is on bail as per order in Crl.M.P.34/2022 dated 01.10.2022 and this court directed the petitioner to surrender his passport and not leave India without permission of this court.

The petitioner/accused No.11 surrendered his passport as a condition

precedent for his release.

3. According to the petitioner, he is engaged in the business of brewery and distillery. The petitioner received an invitation letter from M/s. VYV Event Management LLC having its registered office at Dubai, UAE to visit their trade fairs in Baku to discuss business opportunities and after the trip to Baku, the petitioner intends to stay in Dubai from 01.01.2024 to 03.01.2024. Therefore, the petitioner seeks permission to travel to Dubai and to Baku in Azerbaijan during the period from 28.12.2023 to 03.01.2024. True copy of the invitation letter dated 02.12.2023, from the Head of M/s. VYV Event Management LLC is attached with this petition as Annexure-A1. The petitioner/accused No.11 also attached the true copies of travel itineraries along with this petition as Annexure- A2.

4. Heard both sides.

5. The Assistant Director, Directorate of Enforcement filed report, mainly contending that the petitioner may be directed to file specific affidavit for confirming the authenticity and genuineness of the documents produced by her. The Investigating officer also insisted that if the petitioner is permitted to travel abroad, conditions are to be imposed to secure the presence of accused.

6. The petitioner is on bail. The trial of the case has not commenced. Considering the said aspects, I am of the view that the petition

can be allowed by imposing conditions.

In the result, the petition is allowed as follows:-

1. The petitioner/Accused No.11 is permitted to travel to Dubai and to Baku in Azerbaijan from 28.12.2023 to 03.01.2024 to attend the trade fairs conducted by VYV Event Management LLC in Dubai, UAE and to discuss business opportunities. The petitioner is also allowed to stay in Dubai from 01.01.2024 to 03.01.2024.
2. Before the release of passport the petitioner shall deposit ₹2,00,000/- as security amount before this court.
3. The petitioner shall not use the passport for any purpose other than the one for which permission is given and the petitioner shall not involve any sought of activity or transactions with any person/ company which may adversely affect the present case during his visit. The petitioner is directed to file affidavit to that effect.
4. The petitioner shall produce copies of air tickets with specific E-ticket numbers and furnish details regarding his place of stay and contact number during his stay in Baku in Azerbaijan and Dubai along with his affidavit in that regard. The passport shall be released only on satisfying the above conditions.
5. The petitioner shall produce the visa details for verification before this court before leaving India.

6. The petitioner/Accused No.11 shall appear and resubmit his passport in this court on or before 15.01.2024.
7. If the petitioner fails to comply with any of the conditions stipulated above, the security amount will stand forfeited and his bail bond will stand cancelled without any further orders.

Dictated to the Confidential Asst., transcribed and typewritten by her, corrected and pronounced by me in open court on this the 19th day of December, 2023.

Sd/-
Mini S Das
Judge, Spl. Court for PMLA Cases

Appendix:Nil

Id/-
Judge, Spl. Court for PMLA Cases

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