IN THE COURT OF THE PRINCIPAL DISTRICT & SESSIONS JUDGE, COIMBATORE.

Present: Tmt. G. VIJAYA, B.A., M.L., PGDCFS,
PRINCIPAL DISTRICT & SESSIONS JUDGE, COIMBATORE

Monday, this the 16th day of March, 2026

CRIMINAL MISCELLANEOUS PETITION No.962/2026

K.Lakshmanan (Age 58 years),
S/o. Karuppanan … Petitioner / Accused

/vs/

State, Rep. by
through the Inspector of Police,
D-2 Selvapuram Police Station,
Crime No.60/2026.
Offence: u/s.296(b), 115(2), 118(1) and 351(3) of BNS
Through the Public Prosecutor, Coimbatore. … Complainant
(The Judicial Magistrate No.V, Coimbatore.)

This petition has been filed through **e-Filing** on behalf of the petitioner to release him on anticipatory bail u/s.482 of BNSS

This petition is coming on this day for final hearing before this Court in the presence of **Thiru. K.Jothi Prasanth,** Advocate for the petitioner/accused and **Thiru. V. Ravichandran, Public Prosecutor**, represented for State, upon perusing the petition submitted and upon hearing both side arguments, this Court pronounced the following:-

ORDER

Heard both side.

The petitioner is the accused in Crime No.60/2026 of D-2 Selvapuram Police Station, since he is apprehending arrest in the hands of the respondent police for the alleged offence u/s. 296(b), 115(2), 118(1) and 351(3) of BNS, he has filed this petition, seeking grant of Anticipatory bail.

2. The learned counsel for the petitioner has submitted that the defacto complainant was working under A-1. There has been dispute with regard to the salary between them. While so, the defacto complainant and his parties assaulted A-1

and caused injuries to him and therefore A-1 lodged complaint in Crime No.59/2026 and subsequently the defacto complainant lodged this false complaint. The petitioner is ready to abide any conditions imposed by this Court and prays for grant of anticipatory bail to him.

3. The learned Public Prosecutor has submitted that due to the assault made by the accused, the victim sustained injuries and he was admitted in the hospital on 27-02-2026 and discharged from the hospital on 03-03-2026. In this case, co-accused namely A-2 and A-3 were enlarged on bail by the learned Judicial Magistrate.

4. Heard. As per the prosecution case, due to prior enmity, the accused abused the defacto complainant in filthy language and assaulted and threatened. It is the main contention of the petitioner that, in this case, A-2 and A-3 were granted bail by the learned Judicial Magistrate No.5, Coimbatore in CMP No.2040/2026 on 06-03-2026 and the petitioner is ready to abide any conditions imposed by this Court and prays for grant of anticipatory bail to him. The learned Public Prosecutor reported that no previous case is pending against the petitioner. In this case, the victim had already been discharged from the hospital. There is a case and a counter case for the same incident. After considering all the above said aspects, the fact that co-accused had already been enlarged on bail, the victim was discharged from the hospital, the petitioner has no previous case, since he apprehends arrest at the hands of the respondent police, **this Court is inclined to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner subject to the following conditions:-**

(i) Anticipatory bail is granted to the petitioner.

(ii) The petitioner shall execute a bond for Rs.10,000/- in the event of his arrest or the petitioner shall surrender before the Judicial Magistrate No.5, Coimbatore and execute a bond of Rs.10,000/- within 15 days from the date of this order, failing which the anticipatory bail granted to the petitioner shall stand automatically cancelled.

(iii) The petitioner shall produce two sureties for likesum each to the value of Rs.10,000/- each to the satisfaction of the Judicial Magistrate No.5, Coimbatore within 15 days from the date of this order, failing which the anticipatory bail granted to the petitioner shall stand automatically cancelled.

(iv) The sureties shall affix their photographs and Left Thumb Impression in the surety bond and the Magistrate may obtain a copy of their Aadhar Card or Bank Pass Book to ensure their identity.

(v) The petitioner is directed to sign before the respondent police, daily at 10.00 a.m. for a period of 15 days.

(vi) The petitioner shall not abscond either during investigation or trial.

(vii) The petitioner shall not tamper with evidence or witness either during investigation or trial.

(viii) 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 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 5560].**

(ix) If the accused thereafter abscond, a fresh FIR can be registered under Section 269 of BNS.

This order is dictated to steno-typist, typed by her, corrected and pronounced by me on this 16th day of March, 2026.

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PRINCIPAL DISTRICT & SESSIONS JUDGE,
COIMBATORE.

CC to :

1. The Judicial Magistrate Court No.5, Coimbatore.
2. The Public Prosecutor, Coimbatore.
3. The Inspector of Police, Selvapuram Police Station,
4. Counsel for the Petitioner / Accused.