

**IN THE COURT OF THE PRINCIPAL DISTRICT AND
SESSIONS JUDGE, CHENGALPATTU**

Present : Thiru.T.Chandrasekaran, M.L.,
Principal District and Sessions Judge,
Chengalpattu.

Date: Wednesday, the 03rd day of June 2026.

Crl.M.P. No.1710 of 2026
(CNR No. TNCG01-003557-2026)

Gurumoorthy, aged about 44 years, S/o Thangasamy,
.. Petitioner/Accused.

//Versus//

State of Tamilnadu,
Rep. by the Inspector of Police,
Thiruporur Police Station,
Cr. No.147 of 2026 .. Respondent/Complainant
U/s. 24(1), 6(b) of COTPA Act, 2003 r/w 123 of BNS, 2023

This petition for bail coming on this day for hearing before me, M/s.L.Sambath, the learned counsel appearing for the petitioner/ accused and M/s.R.Thirumurugan, the learned Public Prosecutor appearing for the respondent/complainant, upon hearing both sides and upon perusal of case records, this Court made the following

ORDER

This petition is filed U/s.483 of BNSS 2023, seeking to enlarge the petitioner on bail.

2. The petitioner/accused has been charged for the alleged offences U/s.24(1), 6(b) of COTPA Act, 2003 r/w 123 of BNS, 2023.

3. Notice given to the Public Prosecutor for the State and the reply received. Heard both sides. Records are perused.

4. The learned counsel for the petitioner would submit that the petitioner has been falsely implicated in this case; he was arrested and remanded on 24.05.2026 and he is in judicial custody for the past 11 days; moreover, the petitioner is ready to abide by any conditions to be imposed upon him and he is ready to offer substantial sureties before the court, thereby prayed for enlargement on bail.

5. The learned Public Prosecutor, on the other hand, would submit that, the petitioner has used to sell tobacco products in his shop and he was found in possession of 60 pockets of tobacco product namely Hans which were banned by the Government of Tamil Nadu and prays for the dismissal of the petition.

6. It is seen the petitioner is in judicial custody for the past 11 days. The witnesses are seemed to be the police officials hence there is no possibility of tampering the witnesses. The accused has permanent residence within the jurisdiction of the respondent police station, therefore, there is no possibility of flee from justice. Taking into consideration of the duration of custody, nature of allegations made against the petitioner and also considering the other facts and circumstances of the case, this court is inclined to grant bail to the petitioner.

7. In the result, this petition is allowed; The petitioner/accused is directed to deposit a sum of Rs.2,500/- (Rupees Two Thousand Five Hundred only) before the Mediation Centre, Chengalpattu, and on such deposit, the petitioner/accused is ordered to be released on bail on his execution of bond for Rs.10,000/- with two sureties for a like sum to the satisfaction of the District Munsif cum Judicial Magistrate, Thiruporur, with conditions that;

1. The sureties shall affix their photographs and Left Thumb Impression (LTI) in the surety bond and the sureties shall produce any one of identity proof before the learned Magistrate to ensure their identity.
2. The petitioner/accused is further directed to report before the respondent police station daily at 10.30 A.M. for 30 days;
3. The petitioner/accused shall not tamper the evidence either during investigation or trial;
4. The petitioner/accused shall not abscond either during investigation or trial;
5. If there is any breach of conditions, the Investigation Officer shall report to the learned Magistrate and the learned Magistrate shall take appropriate action as if the conditions have been imposed by the Magistrate himself/herself in accordance with the decision in ***AIR 2006 SC 100 - P.K. Shaji Vs State of Kerala.***

Pronounced by me in the open Court, on this the 03rd day of June 2026.

Principal District and Sessions Judge,
Chengalpattu.

To
The District Munsif cum Judicial Magistrate, Thiruporur.
The Inspector of Police, Thiruporur Police Station.
The Superintendent, Central Prison, Puzhal.