

IN THE COURT OF PRINCIPAL SESSIONS JUDGE, CHENNAI

Present: Thiru.S.Karthikeyan, M.A., M.L., M.Sc., PGDCFS., P.G.DD.F.,

Principal Sessions Judge.

Monday, the 8th day of June, 2026

Crl.M.P.No. 4794/2026

in

G-1 Vepery P.S. Crime No. 138/2026

Lawrence,

.. Petitioner/Accused

Vs.

State Rep. by
The Inspector of Police,
G.1, Vepery Police Station,
Chennai.

..Respondent/Complainant

This petition is coming on this day before this court for hearing in the presence of M/s.T.I. Ramanathan, M.Manjula and P.Vignesh, 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 13.05.2026 for the offences punishable under Section 75(2), 76, 296(b), 351(3) of BNS and sec. 4 of TNPHW, in Crime No. 138/2026 on the file of the respondent police, seeks bail.

2. The Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner is innocent and he has not committed any offence as alleged, he has been falsely implicated in this case by the police. The petitioner is in custody from 13.05.2026. Hence, prays for granting bail.

3. On the other hand, learned CPP submits that the petitioner wrongfully restrained the defacto complainant, repeatedly followed her, used obscene words and thereby subjecting her to sexual harassment and causing continuous mental agony. If he is let on bail, possibility of abscond and indulge in similar kind of offence. Hence, he strongly opposed the petition.

4. The allegations against the petitioner is that the petitioner herein misbehaved with the defacto complainant. The learned counsel for the petitioner submitted that the petitioner and the defacto complainant were previously in a friendly relationship, subsequently, due to some misunderstanding, a false complaint has been given by her and

no sexual harassment as alleged by the police. The defacto complainant is also present today and states that she has no objection to grant bail to the petitioner. The petitioner is in custody from 13.05.2026. Considering the above facts, this court is inclined to grant bail to the petitioner subject to condition.

5. Accordingly, the petitioner is ordered to be released on bail on his executing a bond for a sum of Rs.10,000/- (Rupees ten thousand only) with two sureties each for a likesum to the satisfaction of the learned II Metropolitan Magistrate, Chennai and on further condition that:-

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

(b) the petitioner shall appear before the respondent police daily at 10.00 a.m. until further orders.

(c) the petitioner shall not tamper with evidence or witness either during investigation or trial.

(d) the petitioner shall not abscond either during investigation or trial.

(e) On breach of any of the aforesaid conditions, the learned Magistrate/Trial Court is entitled to take appropriate action against the above said petitioner in accordance with law as if the conditions have been imposed and the above said 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]**.

(f) If the petitioner thereafter absconds, a fresh FIR can be registered under Section 269 of BNS.

Dictated to Steno-typist, typed by him directly, corrected and pronounced by me in open court this the 8th day of June, 2026.

Principal Sessions Judge

Copy to :

1. The II Metropolitan Magistrate, Chennai
2. The Superintendent, Central Prison, Puzhal, Chennai.

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