



In the Court of the Principal Sessions Judge, Madurai.

Present : Thiru. S. SIVAKADATCHAM, B.Sc., M.L.,  
Principal Sessions Judge, Madurai.

Saturday, this the 7<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2026.

CrI.M.P.No.939/2026

CNR No.TNMD010014682026

V.Janarthanan, S/o.Vijayakumar

... Petitioner/Accused.

Vs

State through the Inspector of Police,

Othakkadai P.S. in Cr.No.37/2026

... Respondent/Complainant.

This e-petition coming on today for hearing before me in the presence of Thiru.R.Vijaya gopal, Advocate for the petitioner and of Public Prosecutor for the State, this court passed the following:

**Order**

1. Anticipatory Bail application u/s 482 of Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023 (BNSS).

2. Heard both sides.

3. The learned counsel for the petitioner/accused would submit that the respondent police has registered a case against the petitioner in Cr.No.37/2026 for the offences u/s 296(b), 115(2) & 351(3) of Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita (BNS), 2023 and 4 of TNPWH Act. The petitioner is innocent and he has not committed any offence as alleged. Injured discharged from hospital. Due to previous enmity, the present false complaint is lodged. Investigation is almost over. The petitioner has not filed similar petition before the Hon'ble Madurai Bench of Madras High Court or any other court. The petitioner apprehends arrest at the hands of police and he is ready to abide by any conditions that would be imposed by this court and prayed to allow the petition.

4. The learned Public Prosecutor submitted that it is a case of single accused, who is the petitioner herein. As per the case of the prosecution, the petitioner was under wrong assumption that the defacto-complainant and his family members have informed some others that the petitioner's cow grazed in the field of others. As a result, on 25.01.2026 at 06.00 p.m., when the defacto-complainant was at his house, the petitioner has come there, abused him in vulgar words, pushed his wife

and daughter-in-law down and assaulted them with wooden log. On gathering of neighbours, the petitioner criminally intimidated them with dire consequences and left. Hence, the complaint. The defacto-complainant's daughter-in-law sustained simple injury. The defacto-complainant's wife took treatment as in-patient for a month and discharged from hospital on 26.02.2026. The petitioner has one previous case in Crime No.7/2025 u/s 115(2), 118(1), 296(b), 351(3) of BNS and 4 of TNPWH Act. Investigation is pending and made objections to allow the petition.

5. Rival contentions are taken into consideration. The alleged offences against the petitioner /accused are u/s 296(b), 115(2) & 351(3) of Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita (BNS), 2023 and 4 of TNPWH Act. The occurrence is said to have taken place on 25.01.2026. Injured discharged from hospital on 26.02.2026 after taking treatment as in-patient for a month. The learned counsel for the petitioner submitted that the injured is aged about 70 years and she was in hospital in respect of regular check-up only. In the written objections, it is stated that the petitioner assaulted the defacto-complainant's wife with wooden log and caused injuries at her left leg, for which she undergone surgery and discharged after taking treatment for one month. The offences said to have been committed by the petitioner cannot be taken lightly. One more previous case of similar offences in Crime No.7/2025 u/s 115(2), 118(1), 296(b), 351(3) of BNS and 4 of TNPWH Act is reported against the petitioner. It seems that if the petitioner is granted anticipatory bail, it will be difficult to secure him. Investigation is pending. Considering the above facts, the nature of offences, the pending stage of investigation and the strong objections placed on the side of prosecution, this court is not inclined to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner at this stage and accordingly, the petition is liable to be dismissed.

In the result, the petition is dismissed.

Pronounced by me in the Open Court on the 7<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2026.

Principal Sessions Judge,  
Madurai

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