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In the Court of the Principal Sessions Judge, Madurai.

Present : **Thiru. S. SHUNMUGAVEL B.A., B.L.,**  
( II Additional District Judge (CBI Cases) , Madurai )  
Principal Sessions Judge (i/c), Madurai.  
( Authorised U/s.8(8) of BNSS )

Tuesday, this the 17<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2026.

CrI.M.P.No.1085/2026

CNR No.TNMD010017892026

1. Purushothaman, S/o.Balakrishnan

2. Muthulakshmi, W/o.Purushothaman

... Petitioners/Accused.

Vs

Anna Pillai, W/o.Ochukalai

...Intervene Petitioner.

State through the Inspector of Police,

CCB Madurai City P.S. in Cr.No.39/2025

... Respondent/Complainant.

This petition coming on today for hearing before me in the presence of Thiru.M.Chandrabose, Advocate for the petitioners, Thiru.P.Muthukumar, Advocate for the intervene petitioner, and of Public Prosecutor for the state, this court passed the following:

**Order**

1. Bail application u/s 483 of Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023 (BNSS).

2. The learned counsel for the intervening petitioner/defacto complainant has filed an intervening petition and he is permitted to assist the Public Prosecutor.

3. Heard both sides.

4. The learned counsel for the petitioners/accused would submit that the respondent police has registered a case against the petitioners and others in Crime No.39/2025 for the offences u/s 316(2), 318(4), 336(3) and 340(2) of BNS. The petitioners were arrested by the respondent police and remanded to judicial custody on 19.02.2026 and are in custody for the past 21 days. The petitioners are innocent and they have not committed any offences as alleged. Initially the complaint was

lodged against A1 only and subsequently A1 to A3 are arrayed as accused without any specific allegations against them. The petitioners have not filed similar petition before the Hon'ble Madurai Bench of Madras High Court or any other court. The petitioners are ready to abide by any conditions that would be imposed by this Court and prayed to allow the petition.

5. The learned Public Prosecutor and the learned counsel for the intervening petitioner submitted that 2 named accused and others involved in this case and the petitioners are A1 and A3. As per the case of the prosecution, the defacto-complainant is the registered 4A contractor in Tamilnadu PWD. The defacto-complainant got acquaintance with A1 two years back. The petitioner informed the defacto-complainant that he has influence with Rajyasaba M.P. and that using his influence, he could get contract in favour of the defacto-complainant for Rs.2 Crores, for which, the defacto-complainant has to give some amount towards expenses. Accordingly, the defacto-complainant paid Rs.52,50,000/- in various instalments at various places to the accused persons. But, the accused persons have not arranged for the contract and delayed the same. When the defacto-complainant enquired the matter, he came to know that the petitioners have cheated the defacto-complainant and also so many persons in this aspect by way of fabricating contract orders in the name of Government and swindled huge amount from the innocent persons. Hence, the complaint. The accused persons have also issued Contract Order in the name of defacto-complainant and when the order was produced before the concerned office, they came to know that they are fabricated by the accused persons. Cheated amount is not yet recovered. Both the petitioners have many previous cases of similar offences. Investigation is pending and objected to grant bail to the petitioners.

6. Rival contentions are taken into consideration. The alleged offence against the petitioners/accused are u/s 316(2), 318(4), 336(3) and 340(2) of BNS. As per prosecution, A1 to A3 have collected a sum of Rs.52,50,000/- from the defacto-complainant on the promise that they would obtain contract in favour of the

defacto-complainant for Rs.2 Crores utilising his influence with Rajyasaba M.P.

7. The learned Public Prosecutor strongly objected stating that not even a single paise is recovered from the petitioners, both the petitioners/A1 and A2, who are husband and wife, are jointly involved in Crime Nos.1364/2024, 17/2024, 7/2025 & 5/2019 and all the cases are of similar nature and that if the petitioners are released on bail, they will abscond from the process of law and the cheated amount could not be recovered. A2 is still absconding. The sources, in which, the petitioners have invested the cheated amount is to be ascertained and investigation is going on in that aspect. Moreover, it seems that the petitioners have fabricated the Contract Order in the name of Government and issued the same to the defacto-complainant. The offences said to have been committed by the petitioners cannot be taken lightly. The petitioners are in custody only for 27 days. Material part of investigation is not yet completed. Cheated amount is not yet recovered. Considering the above facts, the involvement of huge amount, the pending stage of investigation, the bad antecedents being reported against the petitioners and the strong objections placed on the side of prosecution, this court is not inclined to grant bail to the petitioners 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 17<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2026.

Principal Sessions Judge (i/c),  
Madurai

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