



In the Court of the Principal Sessions Judge, Madurai.

Present : Thiru. S. SIVAKADATCHAM, B.Sc., M.L.,

Principal Sessions Judge, Madurai.

Wednesday, this the 18th day of March, 2026.

CrI.M.P.No.1094/2026

CNR No.TNMD010017942026

Karmegam, S/o.Rajendran

... Petitioner/Accused.

Vs

State through the Inspector of Police,

Thirupparankundram P.S. in Cr.No.64/2026

... Respondent/Complainant.

This petition coming on today for hearing before me in the presence of Thiru.T.Senthil Kumar, Advocate for the 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. Heard both sides.

3. The learned counsel for the petitioner/accused would submit that the respondent police has registered a case in Crime No.64/2026 for the offences u/s 25(1)(a) of Arms Act, 8(c), 20(b)(ii)(A) of NDPS Act, 77 of JJ Act and 24(1), 6(a) of COTPA against the petitioner. The respondent police arrested the petitioner and remanded to judicial custody on 02.03.2026 and is in custody for the past 17 days. The petitioner is innocent and he has not committed any offences as alleged. The measurement of the weapon said to have been recovered from the petitioner is not mentioned in the FIR. Since the petitioner has one previous case, he is falsely implicated in this case. No such occurrence as alleged has taken place. The petitioner has not filed similar petition before the Hon'ble Madurai Bench of Madras High Court or any other court. The petitioner 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 defacto-complainant is the Sub-Inspector of Police, Thirupparankundram P.S. On 02.03.2026 at 08.00 a.m., near Okkalikar bus stop, Thirumaliyur,

Thirupparankundram, when the defacto-complainant and his team were on patrol, they have noticed that the petitioner was in possession of ganja, prohibited tobacco products and a long size knife. When the respondent police enquired the petitioner, he has confessed that he used to purchase the said narcotics from unknown persons and sell the same to school and college students at higher price. The defacto-complainant arrested the petitioner and recovered 50 gms. of ganja, 10 packets of prohibited Ganesh brand tobacco, 5 packets of banned Cool lip and a long size knife from him. Hence, the complaint. The petitioner has 3 previous cases in Crime Nos.989/2020, 180/2017 and 85/2016. Investigation is pending and objected to grant bail to the petitioner.

5. Rival contentions are taken into consideration. The alleged offences against the petitioner/accused are u/s 25(1)(a) of Arms Act, 8(c), 20(b)(ii)(A) of NDPS Act, 77 of JJ Act and 24(1), 6(a) of COTPA. As per prosecution, the petitioner was arrested for having possession of 50 gms. of ganja, 10 packets of prohibited Ganesh brand tobacco, 5 packets of banned Cool lip and a long size knife with intention to sell the tobacco and ganja to school and college students. The offences said to have been committed by the petitioner are against the welfare of the society in particular, to the rising generation, which cannot be taken lightly. The occurrence is said to have taken place on 02.03.2026. The petitioner is in custody only for 17 days. Material part of investigation has not been completed. It appears that the petitioner is not the first offender and that 3 previous cases are reported against him. Considering the above facts, the seriousness of offences and the strong objections placed on the side of prosecution, this court is not inclined to grant 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 18th day of March, 2026.

Principal Sessions Judge,
Madurai

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