

IN THE COURT OF THE JUDICIAL MAGISTRATE No.I OF METTUR

Present: N.Gopalakrishnan., B.Sc., B.L., Judicial Magistrate No.1, Mettur

9th day of March 2026, Monday

Crl.M.P. No.201/2026

CNR.No.TNSA18-000626-2026

Rajesh (42) S/o.Sivaraman

...Petitioner/ Accused

Vs.

State represented by Sub Inspector of Police

Mettur Police station,

In Cr. No. 592/2025, U/s.305(b) of BNS

...Respondent /

Complainant

This petition under section **480 of BNS** to enlarge the petitioner on bail, filed on **02.03.2026** and came upon today **09.03.2026**, and Party in person appeared for the Petitioner and learned additional public prosecutor **T.Suresh** appeared for the respondent, which are stood over for the consideration till today, this Court delivers the following,

ORDER.

1. Heard. Both sides. Records perused.
2. The petitioner submitted that the petitioners has been remanded for an offense under section 305(b) of BNS. The petitioner is arrested and remanded on 26.12.2025. The petitioner is ready to furnish sufficient sureties before this Court.
3. The respondent Police, in his reply stated that, if the accused is enlarged

on bail he might dispurse the witnesses by Influence. At this stage if the petitioner released on bail he may abscond, tamper the witnesses and again he may commit the same kind of offense. Hence strongly opposed to grant bail.

4. The learned APP in his reply stated that, Investigation is pending. If the accused enlarged on bail he might be try to dispurse the witness. Hence strongly oppose to grant bail.
5. Upon a perusal of the records, it is observed that the investigation in the present case has been concluded, and the final report has been filed and taken on file in C.C. No. 120 of 2026. The matter is currently pending the accused's production. Notably, two other cases are pending against the petitioner before this Court.
6. The pivotal point for consideration is that the accused is reportedly involved in 21 similar cases across various districts, marking him as a habitual offender. Despite this extensive criminal antecedence, the accused now seeks to be enlarged on bail without sureties, requesting this Court to release him on his own bond.
7. Furthermore, it is significant to note that the accused hails from Kallakurichi District and does not reside within the local jurisdiction of this Court.
8. Taking into consideration the totality of the circumstances, this Court is of the view that releasing the accused at this juncture would likely hinder the trial process and embolden the accused to commit further similar offences. In the interest of justice, the release of the accused is deemed improper at the present stage. Consequently, the petition is dismissed.

This order dictated to the Steno Typist and directly typewritten by him and verified, corrected, and signed by me, and pronounced in open Court on this **9th Day of March 2026.**

Judicial Magistrate No.I, Mettur.