



IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 03-06-2026

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THE HON'BLE MR JUSTICE M. NIRMAL KUMAR

CRL OP No. 14085 of 2026

Salamon S/o.Munusamy,
No.423, Small Street,
Narasingapuram,
Thiruvallur District,
Tamilnadu - 631 402

..Petitioner(s)

Vs

1. The State Rep By, The Inspector of Police
C-1, Sriperumbuder Police Station,
Kancheepuram District.

2. Ragukumar
Police Constable No.2371,
C-1, Sriperumbuder Police Station,
Kancheepuram District.

..Respondent(s)

PRAYER: The criminal original petition filed under Section 528 BNSS 2023 to call for the entire records pertaining to Crime No.1326/2021 dated on 20.11.2021 on the file of the 1st respondent police and quash the same and pass such further or other suitable order or orders as this Hon'ble Court may deems fit and proper in the circumstances of the case and thus render justice.

For Petitioner(s):

Mr.P.Santhosh Kumar

For Respondent(s):

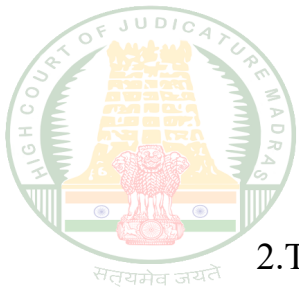
Mr.A. AMARNATH

Govt. Advocate (CRL. SIDE)

for R1

ORDER

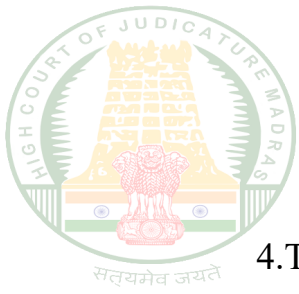
This criminal original petition has been filed to call for the entire records pertaining to Crime No.1326/2021 dated on 20.11.2021 on the file of the 1st respondent police and quash the same.



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2.The gist of the case is that on 20.11.2021, when Mr.Ragukumar, police officer along with Thirumurugan police personnel was on day patrol duty in the Mambakkem SIPCOT and Araneri areas, they noticed posters announcing a protest against the President of Palnellur Panchayat. Thereafter, while proceeding towards Palnellur, at about 5.00 p.m. they found one Solomon, S/o. Munusamy, State Organising Committee Member of Ambedkar Pothuvudamai Munnani, Narasingapuram, pasting the said posters in front of YAMAHA Company, Palnellur. When questioned as to why he was pasting posters without permission, Solomon abused the police personnel in filthy language and threatened them with dire consequence. He also obstructed them from discharging their official duties. Hence, lodged a complaint.

3.The learned counsel for the petitioner submitted that FIR is clear abuse of process of law and has been registered with an influence of the Panchayat Head due to personal motive to harass the petitioner. Further, he submitted that the posters were pasted only to announce a peaceful democratic protest, which does not constitute the offence. The respondent police have falsely implicated the petitioner. Hence, he prayed to quash the FIR in crime No.1326 of 2021.



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4.The learned Government Advocate (Crl.side) appearing for the first respondent submitted that during the patrol duty, the respondent police found petitioner pasting protest posters without permission. When questioned, the petitioner abused the respondent police in filthy language. Hence, he object to quash the criminal proceedings.

5. Considering the rival submission and on perusal of the materials available on record, it is seen that the allegation against the petitioner is pasting the protest posters and there is no material to show obstruction of official duty. Hence, continuation of criminal proceedings would amount to abuse of process of law. In view of the same, this Court is inclined to allow the criminal original petition. Accordingly, the criminal original petition is allowed.

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Index: Yes/No
Speaking/Non-speaking order
Neutral Citation: Yes/No
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To
1.The Inspector of Police
C-1, Sriperumbuder Police Station,
Kancheepuram District.

2.The Public Prosecutor
High Court, Madras.



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