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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 15-07-2026

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THE HON'BLE DR.JUSTICE ANITA SUMANTH

AND

THE HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE SUNDER MOHAN

WP CrI. No. 1663 of 2026

AND

WPMP CRL. NO. 582 OF 2026

Anthoni Sesuraja
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Redhills, Chennai.

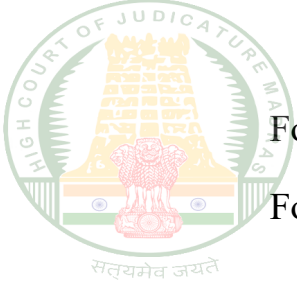
..Petitioner(s)

Vs

1. The Deputy Inspector General of Prisons
Chennai Range,
Whannels Road,
Egmore, Chennai - 600 008.
2. The Superintendent of Prison,
Special Prison for Women,
Puzhal, Chennai - 600 066.

..Respondent(s)

Prayer: Writ petition filed under Article 226 of Constitution of India to issue a Writ of Certiorarified Mandamus to call for the records No.214/Mu Vu 1/2026 dated 23.05.2026 passed by Respondent No.1 and Quash the same and consequently direct the respondents to grant 28 days ordinary leave without escort to the petitioner's wife namely Sarojini, W/o.Jai Singh, aged 40 years Ct.No.758, PID No.15666, Convict Prisoner, now confined in the Special Prison for Women, Puzhal, Chennai.



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For Petitioner(s): Mr.P.Pugalenth

For Respondent(s): Mr. C.R. Malarvannan

Counsel For Government Of Tamil Nadu
(criminal Side)**Order****(Order of the Court was made by Dr.Anita Sumanth J.)**

The husband of one Sarojini, who has been convicted with imprisonment for life with fine and is presently in Special Prison for Women, Puzhal, Chennai has approached this Court challenging order dated 23.05.2026 wherein, while granting her 28 days ordinary leave, the authorities have imposed the condition of escort. It is as against the imposition of that condition, that the present writ petition has been filed.

2.Mr.C.R.Malarvannan, learned counsel for Government of Tamil Nadu (Criminal Side) who appears for the respondents has circulated the proforma setting out the details of the convict, including the details of leave availed thus far.

3.We find that she has undergone total imprisonment of 11 years, 4 months and 24 days as on 14.07.2026. She has availed, in toto, only 10 days of leave thus far, and that too with the intervention of this Court in WP.CrI.No.413 of 2025 order dated 08.09.2025.



4. The entitlement of the convict to leave as per the Tamil Nadu Suspension of Sentence Rules, 1982 is not in doubt. The report of the probation officer is in her favour and there is nothing untoward stated therein that would necessitate the imposition of condition relating to escort.

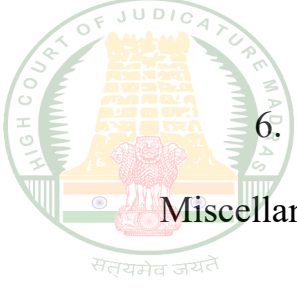
5. Over and above that Mr. Malarvannan, on instructions, also does not very seriously object to the modification of the condition related to imposition thus far. Hence, we modify order dated 23.05.2026 and direct the authorities to permit the convict to avail leave of 28 days (ordinary leave) commencing from 17.07.2026 without escort on the following conditions:

(i) Respondents are directed to release the Convict Prisoner viz., Sarojini, W/o. Jai Singh, aged 40 years, confined at Special Prison for Women, Puzhal, Chennai on Ordinary Leave for a period of 28 days i.e., from 17.07.2026 to 13.08.2026.

(ii) The Convict Prisoner shall be released on 17.07.2026 at 10.00 am and she shall surrender before the Superintendent of Prison, Special Prison for Women, Puzhal, Chennai on 14.08.2026 before 10.00 a.m.

(iii) The Convict Prisoner is directed to report before the Inspector of Police, M3 Puzhal Police Station, Chennai every alternate day at 10.30 a.m., during the period of leave.

(iv) The Convict Prisoner shall utilize the leave only for the ground on which it has been granted and shall not indulge in any other activities.



6. This Writ Petition is allowed to the above extent. Connected

Miscellaneous Petition is closed.

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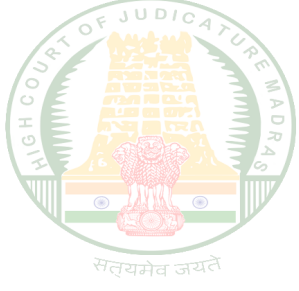
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Neutral Citation: Yes

Note to Registry: Issue Today.

To

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2. The Superintendent of Prison,
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3. The Public Prosecutor, High Court of Madras.



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