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Crl.OP.No.18419 of 2026

THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 13.08.2026

CORAM:

THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE **G.K.ILANTHIRAIYAN**

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1.N.Sundarangathan
2.Umadevi
3.G.Balaji

... Petitioners

Vs.

1.The Branch Manger,
Indian Bank, Numbambakkam Branch,
Nungambakkam,
Chennai.
2.The Branch Manager,
DBS Bank, Lawspet Branch,
Puducherry-605 008.
3.The Superintendent of Police (CBCID),
Office of the Superintendent of Police(CBCID), Puducherry.
4.The Inspector of Police,
CBCID Police Station,
Second Cross,
Iyyanar Nagar,
Orleanpettai,
Puducherry.

... Respondents

Prayer: Criminal Original Petition filed under Section 528 of BNSS, praying to direct the respondents to defreeze Bank Accounts of the petitioners Viz., i.Saving A/C No.430983182, which is being maintained by the 1st Petitioner with first respondent namely Indian Bank, Nungambakkam Branch, Chennai, ii.Saving A/c No.430903207, which is being maintained by the 2nd petitioner with first respondent namely Indian Bank, Nungambakkam Branch, Chennai, iii.Savings A/C



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No.0410301000003004, which is being maintaining by the third respondent in his personal name with second respondent namely DBS Bank, Lawspet Branch, Puducherry and iv.Current A/c.No.04103060000001964, which is being maintaining by the 3rd petitioner in his firm's name M.V.Electrical Lamination work with second respondent namely DBS bank, Lawspet Branch, Puducherry, forthwith, frozen at the instances of the fourth respondent and permit the petitioners to operate the same.

For Petitioner : Mr.Prakash Adiyapadam
for Mr.M.Kannan

For Respondents

For R3 & 4 : Mrs.G.Djearany,
Government Advocate(Criminal Side)
Pondy

For R2 : M/s.Deepak Sabharwal

ORDER

This criminal original petition has been filed praying to direct the respondents to defreeze Bank Accounts of the petitioners Viz., i.Saving A/C No.430983182, which is being maintained by the 1st Petitioner with first respondent namely Indian Bank, Nungambakkam Branch, Chennai, ii.Saving A/c No.430903207, which is being maintained by the 2nd petitioner with first respondent namely Indian Bank, Nungambakkam Branch, Chennai, iii.Savings A/C No.0410301000003004, which is being maintaining by the third petitioner in his personal name with second respondent namely DBS



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Bank, Lawspet Branch, Puducherry and iv.Current

A/c.No.04103060000001964, which is being maintaining by the 3rd petitioner in his firm's name M.V.Electrical Lamination work with second respondent namely DBS bank, Lawspet Branch, Puducherry, forthwith, frozen at the instances of the fourth respondent and permit the petitioners to operate the same.

2. The third petitioner is an accused in crime No.24 of 2025 registered for the offence punishable under Sections 468, 420 & 34 of IPC on the file of the fourth respondent. In pursuant to the registration of FIR, the bank accounts of the petitioners have been frozen and they are not permitted to operate their accounts.

3. The learned counsel appearing for the petitioners would submit that the third petitioner is the tenant of the subject premises and in order to vacate the premises, he paid Rs.58,00,000/- and he stood as a witness to the sale deed executed in favour of the defacto complainant. Later, the defacto complainant found some encumbrance over the property and so complaint was lodged. Therefore, the third petitioner has nothing to do with the sale consideration paid by the complainant.



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4. On instruction, the learned Government Advocate(Criminal Side) (Pondy) appearing for respondents 3 & 4 submitted that from the crime proceeds, a sum of Rs.60,00,000/- was transferred to the third petitioner's bank account and in turn he transferred a sum of Rs.11,00,000/- each to the first and second petitioners.

5. It is seen that now the third petitioner is arrayed as A6 in crime No.24 of 2025 and still investigation is pending. When the investigation is pending in crime No.24 of 2025, the direction sought for in this petition to defreeze the petitioners' bank accounts cannot be considered. However, the fourth respondent is directed to complete the investigation in crime No.24 of 2025 and file final report within a period of twelve weeks from the date of receipt of this order.

6. With the above direction, this criminal original petition is dismissed.

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