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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 24-08-2026

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THE HON'BLE DR.JUSTICE ANITA SUMANTH

AND

THE HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE SUNDER MOHAN

WP CrI. No. 2157 of 2026

AND

WPMP CRL. NO. 788 OF 2026

Kousalya
W/o. Srinivasan,
'B' Block No.21, Chitra Nagar,
Kotturpurm, Chennai-600 085.

..Petitioner(s)

Vs

1. The Home Secretary,
Home Department(Prison),
Secretariat, Fort St.George,
Chennai-600 009.
2. The Director General of Prison and
Correctional Services,
Chennai-600 008.
3. The Superintendent of Prison,
Central Prison-I, Puzhal
Chennai-600 066.

..Respondent(s)

Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying to issue a Writ of Certiorarified Mandamus calling for the records relating to the proceedings of the 3rd respondent in No.72/Mu.C1/2026 dated 17.06.2026, quash the same and consequently direct the respondents to grant 21 days ordinary leave, or such other period as this Hon'ble Court considers appropriate, without escort, to the petitioners son Vivek, S/o. Srinivasan, Convict Prisoner No.10205, PID No.372547, Confined at Central Prison-I, Puzhal, Chennai subject to such conditions as may be imposed by this Hon'ble Court, and thus render Justice.



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For Petitioner(s): Mr.N.Nagarjuna
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.)

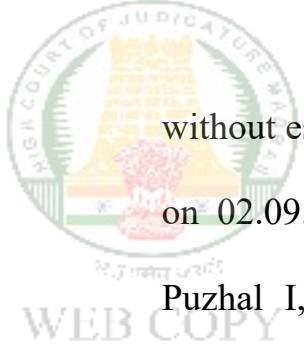
We have heard Mr.N.Nagarjuna, learned counsel for petitioner and Mr.C.R.Malarvannan, learned Counsel for Government of Tamil Nadu (Criminal Side) for respondents.

2. The petitioner has instituted this writ petition on behalf of her son Vivek, who is a life convict, confined in Central Prison I, Puzhal, Chennai. She is aggrieved by the rejection of leave sought for the convict.

3. The reason for rejection is that the convict has not completed the mandatory period of three years as per Rule 21 of the Tamil Nadu Suspension of Sentence Rules, 1982.

4. Since the period of three years is complete only on 23.08.2026, the impugned order is confirmed as there is no flaw therein. Let the representation for ordinary leave be re-considered expeditiously by respondents and orders passed within a week from today in accordance with the extant Rules and communicated within a day thereafter to the convict and his family.

5. Since the learned counsel for petitioner states that the convict's father has passed away on 20.08.2026, we grant him two days emergency leave



without escort to attend the connected ceremonies. The convict shall be released on 02.09.2026 at 10.00 am and shall surrender back to the Central Prison, Puzhal I, Chennai on 04.09.2026 before 10.00 am. The convict shall, on 03.09.2026, report before the J-4 Kotturpuram Police Station, Chennai at 10.30 a.m.

6. This writ petition stands dismissed with liberty as above. No costs.

Connected miscellaneous petition is closed.

(A.S.M, J.) (S.M, J.)
24-08-2026

Index: Yes/No
Speaking order
Neutral Citation: Yes

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Note to Registry : Issue Today

To

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Chennai-600 066.
4. The Inspector of Police, J4, Kotturpuram Police
Station, Chennai.
5. The Public Prosecutor, High Court, Madras.



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