



BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

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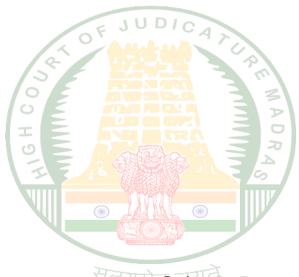
DATED: 04.06.2026

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THE HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE R.VIJAYAKUMAR

CrI.OP.(MD)No.7636 of 2026
and
CrI.M.P(MD)Nos.8243 & 8244 of 2026

1. Edison Raja
2. Muniyasamy
3. Elango
4. Maniraj
5. Muthiah
6. Siva @ Sivagurunathan
7. Rajendran
8. Chelladurai
9. Ganesan
10. Kannan
11. Pitchaipandi
12. Packiam
13. Pandian
14. Alagar
15. Pavunraja
16. Erimalai
17. Sivagnanam
18. Saravanan
19. Thambi Prabu
20. Amarnath



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21. Murugesan

22. Sadagopan

23. Rajan

24. Suresh

25. Ganesan

26. Selvam

...Petitioners

Vs

1. State of Tamilnadu,
Rep by the Inspector of Police,
C-4, Thilagar Thidal (L and O) Police Station,
Madurai City,
Crime No.218/2018

2. M.Boopathy,
Sub Inspector of Police- No.3157,
C4, Thilagar Thidal (L and O) Police Station,
Madurai City

...Respondents

PRAYER: Criminal Original Petition is filed under Section 528 of BNSS Act, to call for the records relating to the charge sheet in S.T.C.No.3058/2025 pending on the file of the learned Judicial Magistrate No.II, Madurai, and quash the same.

For Petitioners : M/s.K.Pandi Priya

For Respondents : M/s.B.Arun
Counsel for State of TN(crl.side)
for R1

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ORDER

The present petition has been filed by the accused persons in S.T.C.No. 3058 of 2025 on the file of the learned Judicial Magistrate No.II, Madurai, seeking to quash the charge sheet wherein the petitioners are charged with the offences under Sections 143 and 290 of IPC.

2. A perusal of the charge sheet reveals that the petitioners herein who belong to a political party have unlawfully assembled in a road and raised slogans as against the leader of another political party and caused traffic jam and inconvenience to the general public.

3. According to the learned Counsel appearing for the petitioners, the leader belonging to another political party wanted to damage statute and therefore, they have raised the slogans and immediately they were dispersed by the police officials.

4. I have considered the submissions made on either side and perused the materials available on record.



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5. As could be seen from the charge sheet, the members of a political party have assembled and raised slogans as against the leader of another political party. There is no allegation of any damage to public property and they have been dispersed immediately by the police officials. In such circumstances, raising slogans as against the leader of another political party could never be considered to be an offence, especially in the light of the fact that no damage has been caused to the public property.

6. In view of the above said facts, the continuation of the criminal proceedings as against the petitioners would only be an abuse process of law. Hence, the charge sheet in S.T.C.No.3058 of 2025, on the file of the learned Judicial Magistrate No.II, Madurai, is hereby quashed.

7. Accordingly, this Criminal Original Petition stands allowed. Consequently, connected miscellaneous petitions are also closed.

04.06.2026

NCC : Yes/No
Index : Yes/No
Internet: Yes/No
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To

1. The learned Judicial Magistrate No.II,
Madurai.
2. The Inspector of Police,
C-4, Thilagar Thidal (L and O) Police Station,
Madurai City.

Copy to:-

The Additional Public Prosecutor,
Madurai Bench of Madras High Court,
Madurai.



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R.VIJAYAKUMAR, J.

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