



Crl.OP(MD) No.15561 of 2026

BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

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DATED: 28.07.2026

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THE HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE R.VIJAYAKUMAR

Crl.OP.(MD)No.15561 of 2026
and Crl.MP(MD) No.15051 of 2026

Ahamed Ali

... Petitioner

Vs

State of Tamilnadu Rep by
Inspector of Police, Nilakottai Police Station,
Crime No.307/2015.

... Respondent

PRAYER: Criminal Original Petition is filed under Section 528 of BNSS., to call for the records in CC.No.415/2015 pending on the file of Judicial Magistrate Court, Nilakottai, and quash the same against the accused No.20.

For Petitioner : Ms.B.Asha

For Respondent : Mr.B.Arun
Government Advocate (Crl.Side)

ORDER

The present petition has been filed by A20 in CC No.415 of 2015 on the file of Judicial Magistrate Court, Nilakottai seeking to quash the charge sheet, wherein, the petitioner is charged with the offence under Sections 145, 341, 188 IPC.



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2.Perusal of the charge sheet reveals that the petitioner along with 33 persons have unlawfully assembled at about 2:00 PM on 09.08.2015 and raised slogans for closing down the TASMAC shop and they also raised slogans against the State Government. Despite the warning given by the police officials, they had blocked the traffic and caused inconvenience to the general public.

3.According to the learned counsel appearing for the petitioner, it was a peaceful protest for closing down the liquor shop.

4.Heard the learned counsel appearing for the petitioner and perused the materials available on record.

5.In this case, FIR has been registered on 09.08.2015 and on the same day charge sheet has been laid under Sections 145, 341, 188 IPC. For the past 11 years, the trial has not commenced. That apart, the charges as against the petitioner is that they had protested as against the opening of a TASMAC shop. There is no allegation whatsoever with regard to the damage to any public property or inconvenience caused to the general public. They have



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democratically protested as against the policies of the Government. The other accused persons also stand on the same footing.

6.In such view of the matter, the charge sheet in CC No.415 of 2015 on the file of the learned Judicial Magistrate, Nilakottai stands quashed not only as against the petitioner, but also against the other accused persons. Accordingly, this Criminal Original Petition stands allowed. Consequently, connected miscellaneous petition is closed.

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

1. The Judicial Magistrate, Nilakottai
- 2.The Inspector of Police, Nilakottai Police Station
- 3.The Additional Public Prosecutor,
Madurai Bench of Madras High Court, Madurai.



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