



CrI.O.P(MD) No.14571 of 2026

BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

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DATED : 17.07.2026

CORAM:

THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE R.VIJAYAKUMAR

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and

CrI.M.P(MD) No.14126 of 2026

1. Sidhiq @ K.Siddiq

2. Gulam Dhashtahir @
Gulamthasthakeer

3. Syed Jahir

4. Mohammed Hussain @
Mohamed Hussain

5. Lal Basha

6. Rasoon Moideen @
Rasool Maideen

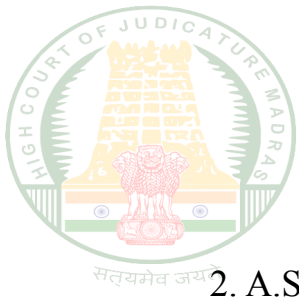
7. Umar Farooq @
Umar Farook

... Petitioners/
Accused Nos.1 to 7

Vs

1. State Represented by
The Inspector of Police,
Siruganur Police Station, Trichy District.
(In Crime No.42 of 2023)

... 1st Respondent/
Complainant



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2. A.Saravanan
S/o. Arulappan
Transport Protection Officer,
Trichy to Padalur Toll Way Pvt. Limited,
Samayapuram Toll Plaza,
Trichy District.

.... 2nd Respondent/Defacto
Complainant

PRAYER: Criminal Original Petition is filed under Section 528 of BNSS, 2023, to call for the records pertaining to the impugned FIR in Crime No.42 of 2023 on the file of the respondent police Station Siruganur, Trichy, dated 06.02.2023 and quash the same as illegal so far as the petitioners are concerned.

For Petitioners : Mr.SMA. Jinnah

For R1 : Mr.G.Ganesh Kumar
Government Advocate (Crl.Side)

ORDER

The present Criminal Original Petition has been filed by the accused persons in Crime No.42 of 2023, on the file of the first respondent police seeking to quash the FIR, wherein they are alleged to have committed offences under Sections 143, 188 and 341 of IPC and Section 4B of the Tamil Nadu Open Places (Prevention of Disfigurement) Act, 1959 and Sections 24 and 37 of the National Highways Act, 1956



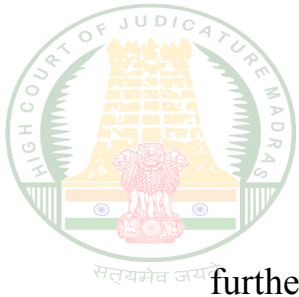
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2. A perusal of the FIR reveals that the petitioners have obtained permission for conducting a conference and the allegation as against them is that they have not made arrangements for proper parking of the vehicles. It is further alleged that they have put up Flags and banners on either side of the road. Based upon the above said allegations, the present FIR has been registered as against the organizers of the conference.

3. According to the learned counsel appearing for the petitioners, proper permission has been obtained from the concerned authorities and they cannot be held responsible for, in case, if the vehicles were parked in a hazardous manner by the attendees to the said conference. He further submitted that there is nothing on record to establish that erection of banners and flags on either side of the road caused any inconvenience to the general public.

4. Per contra, the learned Government Advocate (CrI.Side) appearing for the first respondent submitted that the permission was granted to the conference with a condition that they should make arrangements for proper parking of the vehicles. However, no arrangements have been made. He



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further submitted that the flags and banners erected by the petitioners herein caused inconvenience to the general public and also affected the movement of public vehicles.

5. Heard the learned counsel appearing for the petitioners and perused the materials available on record.

6. It could be seen from the FIR that the conference has been arranged after getting proper permission from the concerned authorities. Suddenly, if there is any increase in number of vehicles, the organizers cannot be considered to have committed an offence. As far as the erection of flags and banners are concerned, no proper averments are there with regard to the inconvenience to the general public or damage to public property.

7. In such circumstances, continuation of the criminal proceedings as against the petitioners herein after a period of three years would only be an abuse of process of law and in such circumstances, the FIR in Crime No.42 of 2023 on the file of the first respondent police is quashed.



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8. Accordingly, this Criminal Original Petition is allowed.

Consequently connected Miscellaneous Petition is closed.

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To

1. The Inspector of Police,
Siruganur Police Station,
Trichy District.
2. The Additional Public Prosecutor,
Madurai Bench of Madras High Court,
Madurai.



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