



HIGH COURT LEGAL SERVICES COMMITTEE, MADURAI

Madurai Bench of Madras High Court, Madurai - 625023

Saturday the 18th day of July 2026

SPECIAL LOK ADALAT AWARD

(Chapter VI and u/s 21 of Legal Services Authorities Act, 1987)

Presided Over by

The Honourable Mrs Justice T.V.THAMILSELVI

and

Members

Mr.K.R.MATHURASEKARAN, District Judge(Retired) , MS.G.KAVITHA, Advocate

CRL RC(MD) No.1677 of 2025

(Appeal against the judgment and decree passed in C.A.No.07 of 2024 on the file of the Additional District and Sessions Court, Dindigul)

Lakshmi

W/o.Perumal @ Bojan, No.2/182,Kethayagoundenpatti, Patchamlayankottai Post,
Nilakottai Taluk, Dindigul.

...Appellant/s

Versus

Saroja

W/o.Natarajan, No.5/202/118, Govindapuram, Palaya Kannivadi Post, Kasavanampatti
Village, Dindigul West Taluk, Dindigul District.

...Respondent/s

This case came up for settlement before the Lok Adalat. Both the parties present. The counsel for the appellant/s P.Sankar Guru and the counsel for the respondent/s Mr.V.Nagendran are present. After mutual discussion, negotiation, mediation and conciliation between both parties and with the assistance of the Bench, both sides consented for settlement.

AWARD

Both parties are present along with their counsel. After deliberation, both parties agreed to settle the matter for a sum of Rs.4,00,000/- as full quit. The accused already deposited a sum of Rs.20,000/- before the trial Court. The complainant is permitted to withdraw the deposited amount of Rs.20,000/- along with accrued interest, if any.



2.If any application is filed before the trial Court, the learned Judge is directed to return the said amount within a period of two weeks from the date of receipt of the said application, without any unnecessary delay. Further, the accused handed over a sum of Rs.50,000/- by cash today and the same was received by the complainant. The accused seeks six months' time to pay the remaining amount of Rs.3,30,000/-. Considering the age of the complainant, the accused is directed to pay the remaining amount within a period of five months. If there is any deviation on her side, the matter will be opened before the next lok adalat on 21.11.2026. The accused shall pay the remaining amount either through her counsel or directly by giving prior intimation. If there is any deviation, the defacto complainant is entitled to execute the order. Accordingly, the matter is settled on payment of entire amount and the conviction and sentence imposed on the accused is liable to be set aside. It is made clear that there is no further claim between the respondent and the petitioner. Fine amount, if any, paid shall be refunded to the accused.

3.The matter is directed to be listed before the regular Court for setting aside the conviction and sentence, if the amount is settled by the accused, as aforesaid.

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Counsel for the Appellant/s

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Village, Dindigul West Taluk, Dindigul District.

Counsel for the Respondent/s

This Lok Adalat award is passed in terms of the above settlement.

The full Court fee paid shall be refunded to the appellant in the manner provided under Section 69-A of the Tamilnadu Court Fees and Suits Valuation Act, 1955 and the Court Fees Act, 1870 as provided for under sub Sec.1 of Section 21 r/w 25 of LSA Act 1987 as amended in 1994.



The Original of the award shall be place in the court record and copy of the award, kept with High Court Legal Services Committee and one copy each is furnished to both parties free of cost.

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In agreement of the above, both parties and their counsel have affixed their signatures/ thumb impressions in presence of the Lok Adalat Bench admitting the terms and today conditions and accordingly, the award is passed.

JUDGE

MEMBER

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To: The Parties/Advocate concerned
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1. The Judicial Magistrate No.I, Dindigul.
2. The Additional District and Sessions Judge, Dindigul.
- 3.The Officer-in-Charge, High Court Legal Services Committee, Madurai.
4. The Section Officer, Criminal Records, Madurai Bench of Madras High Court, Madurai.

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