

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 10.2.2016

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THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE M.JAICHANDREN
and
THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE S.NAGAMUTHU

H.C.P.No.3215 of 2015

N.Chakkaravarthi

.. petitioner

vs.

1. State rep by
Inspector of Police
Town Police Station
Villupuram,
Crime No.328/2015

2. The Superintendent of Police
Office of the Superintendent of Police
Villupuram District

3. Mr.Latchumanan

... Respondents

H.C.P. has been filed to direct the respondents 1 and 2 to trace out the whereabouts of the petitioner's minor daughter Kavitha @ Kavipriya from the 3rd respondent or others and to bring and produce the petitioner's minor daughter before this Court and pass orders of custody of the petitioner's minor daughter with the petitioner.

For petitioner : Mr.M.Shankar

For Respondent : Mr.V.M.R. Rajentren
Addl. Public Prosecutor

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(The Order of the Court was made by M.JAICHANDREN J.,)

This Habeas Corpus petition has been filed praying that this Court may be pleased to direct the respondents 1 and 2 to produce the petitioner's minor daughter, Kavitha @ Kavipriya, aged about 17 years, before this Court and to hand over the custody of the detainee to the petitioner.

2. The petitioner has stated that the detainee was missing from 17.11.2015. As per the the statement made by the petitioner, the detainee is in the illegal custody of the third respondent. Therefore, the petitioner has lodged a complaint before the respondent Police and the said complaint had been registered, in Crime No.328 of 2015, under Section 366(A) of I.P.C. Since no further steps had been taken by the respondent Police, the petitioner has preferred the present Habeas Corpus Petition before this Court.

3. Today, when the matter was listed for hearing, a status report, dated 9.2.2016, had been filed on behalf of the respondent Police. From the statement made in the status report, it is clear that the respondent Police is taking adequate steps to trace the detainee, who is said to have eloped with the third respondent. In such circumstances, we find no reason to grant the relief, as prayed for by the petitioner, in the present Habeas Corpus Petition. Hence, the Habeas Corpus Petition stands closed. However, the respondent Police is directed to continue with the investigation to trace the detainee and to take necessary steps, in accordance with law.

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Asst.Registrar (CS II)

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Sub Asst. Registrar

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To:

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