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BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED : 08.09.2017

CORAM :

THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE **S.S.SUNDAR**

CRL. OP(MD)No.10638 of 2017

Sebasthiraja : Petitioner

Vs.

1.S.Govindarajan : Petitioner

2.State through the
Sub-Inspector of Police,
Somanathapuram Police Station,
Sivagangai District.
(Crime No.44 of 2012) : Respondent

PRAYER: Criminal Original Petition is filed under Section 482 of the Criminal Procedure Code, to direct the learned District Judge, Sivagangai to complete the Criminal Appeal in C.A.No.21 of 2016 pending on the file of the learned District Judge, Sivagangai within time fixed by this Court.

For Petitioner : Mr.J.Anandkumar

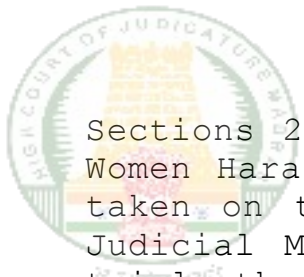
For R2 : Mr.K.Anbarasan,
Government Advocate(Crl.Side).

ORDER

This Criminal Original Petition has been filed for directing the learned District Judge, Sivagangai to dispose of the Criminal Appeal in C.A.No.21 of 2016 pending on the file of the learned District Judge, Sivagangai within a time limit fixed by this Court.

2.Heard the learned Counsel appearing for the petitioner and the learned Government Advocate(Criminal side) appearing for the second respondent.

3.The learned Counsel for the petitioner submitted that based on the complaint given by the first respondent / the de-facto complainant, a case was registered in Cr.No.44 of 2012 on the file of the second respondent for the offences punishable under



Sections 294(b), 506(i) IPC and under Section 4 of Prevention of Women Harassment Act. After filing the charge sheet, the case was taken on the file by the learned Principal District Munsif-cum-Judicial Magistrate, Karaikudi, in C.C.No.136 of 2013. After the trial, the petitioner was acquitted, by judgment dated 08.09.2015.

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4.However, an appeal was stated to have been filed by the first respondent. The petitioner, who is the respondent in the appeal, has now come before this Court to direct the lower Court to dispose of the appeal in C.A.No.21 of 2016 within a specified time limit fixed by this Court.

5.Having regard to the nature of grievance expressed by the learned Counsel for the petitioner, this Court is inclined to pass the following direction:

"The learned District Judge, Sivagangai, is directed to dispose of the C.A.No.21 of 2016 within a period of three months from the date of receipt of a copy of this order".

6.With the above direction, this Criminal Original Petition is allowed.

Sd/-
Assistant Registrar(P&A)

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Sub Assistant Registrar

To

1. The District Judge, Sivagangai.

2. The Sub-Inspector of Police,
Somanathapuram Police Station,
Sivagangai District.

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

+ 1 cc TO Mr.J.Anandkumar , Advocate in SR No. 77729

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