



BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED : 23.08.2018

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THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE N.ANAND VENKATESH

Crl.O.P.(MD)No.20435 of 2016

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... Petitioner

Vs.

State rep.by
The Inspector of Police,
K.Pudhupatti Police Station,
K.Pudhupatti,
Pudukkottai District.

...Respondents

Prayer: This Criminal Original Petition filed under Section 482 Cr.P.C. to direct the respondent and his officials not to harass the petitioner and his family members unnecessarily against law under the guise of enquiry.

For Petitioner	: Mr.G.Mathavan
For Respondents	: Mr.K.Suyambulinga Bharathi
	Government Advocate (Crl.side)

ORDER

This Criminal Original Petition has been filed to direct the respondent and not to harass the petitioner and his family members unnecessarily against law under the guise of enquiry.

2. Heard learned counsel appearing for the petitioner and learned Government Advocate (Crl.side) for the respondents.

3. The learned Government Advocate (Crl.side) appearing for the respondent police submitted that on the complaint given by the defacto complainant against the petitioner, petition enquiry is pending in C.S.R. No.171 of 2016 on the file of the respondent police.

4. The petitioner is directed to cooperate with the police for enquiry and at the time of conducting of the enquiry, the petitioner shall not be harassed by the police. The police cannot call the petitioner on a regular basis in the guise of enquiry without even registering an FIR and Supreme Court of India in Lalitha Kumari Vs. Government of Uttar Pradesh reported in 2013 (6) CTC 353 has enumerated the nature of cases where preliminary enquiry can be conducted and has also restricted the period, for which preliminary



enquiry can be conducted. During the course of enquiry, if any cognizable offence is made out, second respondent is free to register an FIR and this order shall not be a shield for the petitioner against the respondent proceeding to take action in accordance with law.

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5. With the above direction, this Criminal Original Petition is closed.

Sd/-
Assistant Registrar(T&P)

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Sub Assistant Registrar(CS-I)

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To

- 1.The Inspector of Police,
K.Pudhupatti Police Station,
K.Pudhupatti,
Pudukkottai District.
- 2.The Additional Public Prosecutor,
Madurai Bench of Madras High Court,
Madurai.

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