



BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED: 03.11.2020

CORAM:

**THE HONOURABLE MRS. JUSTICE J.NISHA BANU**

Crl.O.P(MD)No.5229 of 2020

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1.M.Banu  
2.Ramasamy  
3.Swetha

...Petitioners

Vs

1.State represented by  
The Superintendent of Police,  
Sivagangai District,  
Sivagangai.

2.The Inspector of Police,  
Singampunari Police Station,  
Sivagangai District.

...Respondents

**PRAYER:** Petition filed under Section 482 of Code of Criminal Procedure, to direct the 2<sup>nd</sup> respondent not to harass the petitioners under the guise of enquiry.

For Petitioners : Mr.V.Balu

For Respondents : Mr.V.Neelakandan  
Additional Public Prosecutor.

**O R D E R**

Heard the learned counsel appearing for the petitioners and the learned Additional Public Prosecutor appearing for the respondents.

2. The petitioners allege harrasment at the hands of the second respondent. The petitioners are wife, father and daughter respectively of one Manikandan, who is involved in a criminal case. It is seen from the affidavit filed in support of the petition that the second petitioner is leading the entire family and the petitioners are no way in connection with the offence committed by the accused Manikandan. It is further submitted that in earlier occasion, this Court had specifically directed the respondents not to harass the petitioners. Inspite of the order passed by this Court, the petitioners are insisted to be present before the respondents.



3.The learned Additional Public Prosecutor appearing for the respondents submitted that a criminal case was registered against the said Manikandan, relating to kidnapping of a minor girl.

4.Having regard to the facts narrated by the learned counsel for the petitioners and the submission of the learned Additional Public Prosecutor for the respondents, this Court is of the view that the petitioners, who are not involved in any crime need not be harassed under the guise of enquiry. If at all, any enquiry is conducted and the presence of the petitioners is required, the same shall be done only after issuing summons prescribing date and time of hearing.

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

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**To:-**

1.The Superintendent of Police,  
Sivagangai District, Sivagangai.

2.The Inspector of Police,  
Singampunari Police Station,  
Sivagangai District.

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

+1 CC to M/s.V.BALU, Advocate ( SR-20895[F] dated 03/11/2020 )

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