



BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED: 29.07.2020

CORAM:

THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE R.PONGIAPPAN

Crl.O.P.[MD]No.7893 of 2020

Vinothini Muthusamy

... Petitioner

Vs.

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

2.The Inspector of Police,
All Women Police Station,
Manaparai,
Trichy District.

... Respondents

PRAYER : Criminal Original Petition is filed under Section 482 of Cr.P.C, to direct the second respondent police to complete the investigation and file a final report in Crime No.4 of 2020 on the file of the second respondent within a reasonable time as may be specified by this Court.

For Petitioner : Mr.S.Kameswaran

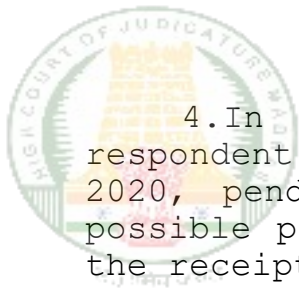
For Respondents : Mr.S.Chandrasekar
Additional Public Prosecutor

O R D E R

This criminal original petition has been filed seeking a direction to direct the second respondent to file a final report in Crime No.4 of 2020 on the file of the second respondent within a reasonable time.

2.Heard the learned counsel for the petitioner and the learned Additional Public Prosecutor for the respondents.

3.In general, whenever any information in relation to commission of cognizable or non-cognizable offence is received, the police officer shall adhere to the procedure contemplated under Sections 154 & 155 of the Criminal Procedure Code and after conducting necessary enquiry/investigation, file final report under Section 173 of Cr.P.C. Such investigation under Chapter XII of the Criminal Procedure Code shall be completed without any unnecessary delay. The delay in filing a final report in the present case is inordinate and unjustified. However, considering the fact that as of now the entire Nation was affected with COVID-19, directing the Investigation Officer to file a final report within a stipulated time is not proper.



4.In view of the above, this Court directs the second respondent police to complete the investigation in Crime No.4 of 2020, pending on his file and file a final report as early as possible preferably within a period of six months from the date of the receipt of a copy of this Order.

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

Sd/-

Assistant Registrar ()

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Sub Assistant Registrar (CS)

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Note : In view of the present lock down owing to COVID-19 pandemic, a web copy of the order may be utilized for official purposes, but, ensuring that the copy of the order that is presented is the correct copy, shall be the responsibility of the advocate/litigant concerned.

To

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Madurai Bench of Madras High Court,
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