



BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED: **13.08.2020**

CORAM:

THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE **R.PONGIAPPAN**

Crl.O.P.[MD]No.8378 of 2020

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... Petitioner

Vs.

The State Rep by
Sub Inspector of Police,
Vedachandur Police Station,
Vedachandur.
(Crime No.323 of 2015)

... Respondent

PRAYER : Criminal Original Petition is filed under Section 482 of Cr.P.C, to direct the respondent to file the final report in crime No.323 of 2015 dated 09.08.2015.

For Petitioner	: Mr.R.Saravanan
For Respondent	: Mr.S.Chandrasekar
	Additional Public Prosecutor

O R D E R

This criminal original petition has been filed seeking a direction to direct the respondent to file a final report in Crime No.323 of 2015 on the file of the respondent police.

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

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.Considering the facts and circumstances of the case, this Court directs the respondent police to complete the investigation in Crime No.323 of 2015, pending on his file and file a final report within a period of three months from the date of receipt of a copy of this Order.



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

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Deputy Registrar (LA&M)

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Sub Assistant Registrar(CS)

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:-

- 1.The Sub Inspector of Police,
Vedachandur Police Station,
Vedachandur.
- 2.The Additional Public Prosecutor,
Madurai Bench of Madras High Court,
Madurai.

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