



BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED: **17.09.2020**

CORAM:

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

Crl.O.P.[MD]No.9912 of 2020

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... Petitioner / De facto complainant

Vs.

The State rep. by
The Inspector of Police,
Colachel Police Station,
Kanyakumari District,
at Nagercoil.

(Crime No.75 of 2020)

... Respondent

PRAYER : Criminal Original Petition is filed under Section 482 of Cr.P.C, to direct the respondent to investigate the case in Crime No.75 of 2020 and file final report expeditiously.

For Petitioner

: Mr.C.K.M.Appaji

For Respondent

: Mr.R.Erottuchamy

Government Advocate (Criminal side)

O R D E R

This criminal original petition has been filed seeking a direction to direct the respondent police to file a final report in Crime No.75 of 2020 within the period that may be stipulated by this Court.

2.Heard the learned counsel for the petitioner and the learned Government Advocate (Criminal side) appearing 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. Hence, it would be appropriate to direct the Investigating Officer to file a final report within a stipulated time, if not already filed.

4.Accordingly, considering the facts and circumstance of the case, this Court directs the respondent police to complete the



investigation in Crime No.75 of 2020, pending on his file and file a final report within a period of three months from the date of the receipt of a copy of this order.

5.This Criminal Original Petition is disposed of accordingly.

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Assistant Registrar (CO)

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Sub Assistant Registrar(CS)

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To

- 1.The Inspector of Police,
Colachel Police Station,
Kanyakumari District,
at Nagercoil.
- 2.The Additional Public Prosecutor,
Madurai Bench of Madras High Court,
Madurai.

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