



BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED: **10.11.2020**

CORAM:

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

Crl.O.P. (MD)No.12800 of 2020

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... Petitioner

Vs.

1.The Superintendant of Police,
Kanyakumari District.

2.The Inspector of Police
Kaliyakkavillai Police Station,
Kanyakumari District.

...Respondents

PRAYER : Criminal Original Petition is filed under Section 482 of Cr.P.C, to direct the second respondent for not harassing this petitioner and her relatives about the joint family prayer worship in her house No.24/60-1 of Kaliyakkavilai Town Panchayat, in Kanyakumari District.

For Petitioner

: Mr.M.Punitha Devakumar

For Respondents

: Mr.V.Neelakandan,

Additional Public Prosecutor

O R D E R

This petition has been filed seeking direction to the second respondent not to harass the petitioner and her relatives about the joint family prayer worship in her house No.24/60-1 of Kaliyakkavilai Town Panchayat, in Kanyakumari District.

2.Heard the learned counsel appearing for the petitioner and the learned Additional Public Prosecutor appearing for the respondents 1 and 2.

3.The learned counsel for the petitioner would state that due to corona lock down, the petitioner and her relatives are not able to attend the regular church prayer. The petitioner and her relatives are gathered in her house for a joint Christian Prayer. The second respondent had entered the petitioner's house and tried to stop the Joint Family Prayer Worship and hence, she had given a complaint to the respondent police.

4.When the petition is taken up for hearing, the learned Additional Public Prosecutor appearing for the respondents 1 and 2, on instructions, would submit that the petitioner had conducted a prayer meeting inside her residence and the neighbouring person had given a complaint before the respondent police. He would further



submit that if the petitioner conducts prayer inside her house, the respondent police will not interfere with the prayer and there is no harassment as claimed by the petitioner.

5. Recording the submission made by the learned Additional Public Prosecutor, this Criminal Original Petition is closed.

Sd/-

Assistant Registrar (CO)

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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

- 1.The Superintendant of Police,
Kanyakumari District.
- 2.The Inspector of Police
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- 3.The Additional Public Prosecutor,
Madurai Bench of Madras High Court,
Madurai.

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