



BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED: 22.12.2020

CORAM:

THE HONOURABLE MRS.JUSTICE J.NISHA BANU

Crl.O.P (MD)No.15442 of 2020

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Ravichandraramavanni @ Ravichandra Ramavanni

..Petitioner/Accused No.6

Vs

1.The Inspector of Police,
Uchipuli Police Station,
Ramanathapuram District.
(In Crime No.100 of 2020)

..1st Respondent/Complainant

2.Ansar Raja

..2nd Respondent/Defacto
Complainant

PRAYER: Petition filed under Section 482 Code of Criminal Procedure, to call for the records pertaining to the First Information Report in Crime No.100 of 2020 on the file of the first respondent and quash the same as far as this petitioner is concerned.

For Petitioner : Mr.C.Muthusaravanan

For R1 : Mr.V.Neelakandan

Additional Public Prosecutor (Crl.side)

O R D E R

Heard the learned counsel for the petitioner and the learned Additional Public Prosecutor appearing for the 1st respondent.

2.This Criminal Original Petition has been filed to quash the impugned First Information Report in Crime No.100 of 2020, on the file of the respondent No.1 police station. The Second respondent/Village Administrative Officer is the defacto complainant.

3.The gist of the First Information Report is that on 16.03.2020 at about 17.00 hours, the petitioner along with others had conducted a demonstration against the Amendment of CAA (Citizenship Amendment Act). Hence, the first respondent police has registered Crime No.100 of 2020 on 16.03.2020.

4.The learned Additional Public Prosecutor would submit that there is no untoward incident had taken place and the issue involved in this case is a covered matter.



5. Though, there are prima facie materials to justify the registration of the First Information Report, I am of the view that its continuance is not warranted. This is because no untoward incident had taken place. The country had witnessed protests all over by different sections of people against the said amendments. Since the protest was peaceful and even the First Information Report does not disclose any act of violence or happening of untoward incident, I am of the view that the continued prosecution is not warranted. Quashing the same will secure the ends of justice.

6. Hence, the First Information Report impugned in this petition stands quashed. The Criminal Original Petition stands allowed. The benefit of this order will enure not only for the petitioner but also the non-petitioning accused.

Sd/-

Assistant Registrar (AS)

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Sub Assistant Registrar (CS)

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To

1. The Inspector of Police,
Uchipuli Police Station,
Ramanathapuram District.
2. The Additional Public Prosecutor,
Madurai Bench of Madras High Court,
Madurai.

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