

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED : 05.03.2021

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THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE N. ANAND VENKATESH

Crl.O.P.No.4245 of 2021
and Crl.M.P.No.2698 of 2021

1. Mohamed Chithik @ Karuthappa Chithik @ Mohamed Sithick
 2. Raj Mohamed
 3. Mr.Marsook Agamathu @ Marsook Ahamed
 4. Abdhul Malic
 5. Mohamed Ali
- ... Petitioners

Vs.

State Represented by,
The Sub-Inspector of Police,
Muthupettai Police Station,
Tiruvarur.
(Crime No.76 of 2020)

... Respondent

PRAYER: Criminal Original Petition is filed under Section 482 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, to call for the records relating to the case in Crime No.76 of 2020 on the files of the respondent herein and quash the same.

For Petitioners : Mr.I.Abdul Basith
For Respondent : Mr.C.Raghavan
Government Advocate

O R D E R

This petition has been filed seeking to quash the proceedings in Crime No.76 of 2010 on the file of the respondent herein.

2.The case of the prosecution is that the petitioners had formed into an unlawful assembly and were making a protest against the amendment to the Citizenship Act.

3. An FIR came to be registered for the offences under Section 143 and 341 of IPC.

4. Heard learned counsel for the petitioners and Mr.C.Raghavan, learned Government Advocate (Crl. Side) appearing on behalf of the respondent.

5. In the considered view of this Court, the protest made by the petitioners against the policy decision taken by the Government does not make out any offence against them. That apart, the State Government itself has taken a decision to withdraw all the cases against the protesters of the amendment to the Citizenship Act if it did not involve any violence. In the present case, there is absolutely no violence alleged against the petitioners.

6. In view of the above, the continuation of the proceedings against the petitioners will be an abuse of process of Court and accordingly, the FIR in Crime No.76 of 2020 on the file of the respondent herein is hereby quashed and the Criminal Original Petition is allowed. Consequently, connected miscellaneous petition is closed.

s/d-
Assistant Registrar

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Sub-Assistant Registrar

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To

1. The Sub-Inspector of Police,
Muthupettai Police Station,
Tiruvarur.

2. The Public Prosecutor,
High Court of Madras, Chennai.

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