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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 26.04.2022

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THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE P.N.PRAKASH
AND
THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE A.A.NAKKIRAN

H.C.P.NO.1996 OF 2021

Lakshmi

.. Petitioner

Vs.

1. State of Tamil Nadu represented by
The Secretary to Government [Home],
Prohibition and Excise Department,
Fort St.George,
Chennai-600 009.
2. The Commissioner of Police,
Tiruppur City,
Tiruppur District.
3. The Superintendent of Prison,
Central Prison Coimbatore,
Coimbatore.
4. The Inspector of Police,
No.15, Velampalayam Police Station,
Tiruppur City, Tiruppur.

.. Respondents

Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India to issue a writ of Habeas Corpus calling for the entire records of the 2nd respondent in his proceedings C.No.46/G/IS/Tiruppur City/2021 dated 12.10.2021 to quash the same and consequently direct the respondents to produce the petitioner's son Icourt Maharaja, aged 19 years, S/o.Murugan, before this Court, now confined in the Central Prison, Coimbatore, set him at liberty forthwith.

For Petitioner : Mr.N.Chinnaraj

For Respondents : Mr.M.Babu Muthumeeran
Addl. Public Prosecutor



ORDER

[Made by P.N.PRAKASH, J.]

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2. We have heard the learned counsel appearing for the petitioner and the learned Additional Public Prosecutor appearing for the respondents. We have also perused the records produced by the Detaining Authority.

3. Though the learned counsel for the petitioner has raised several other grounds to assail the order of detention, he has mainly focused his argument on the ground that the remand order has not been properly translated in vernacular language. He further submitted that the detaining authority, while detaining the detenu, has not furnished the legible copies of the documents relied on by him. This deprived the detenu from making effective representation. Therefore, on these grounds, the detention order is liable to be quashed.

4. On consideration of the submissions made on either side and upon perusal of the documents available on record especially Page Nos.96 and 97 of the booklet, it is clear that the remand order has not been properly translated in vernacular language. Thus the impugned detention order is liable to be set aside on this ground.

In the result, the Habeas Corpus Petition is allowed and the order of detention in C.No.46/G/IS/Tiruppur City/2021 dated 12.10.2021, passed by the second respondent is set aside. The detenu, viz., Icourt Maharaja, aged 19 years, S/o.Murugan, is directed to be released forthwith unless his detention is required in connection with any other case.

Sd/-
Deputy Registrar(CS)

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Sub Assistant Registrar

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To

1. The Secretary to Government [Home],
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Tiruppur City,
Tiruppur.
5. The Joint Secretary to Government of Tamil Nadu,
Public, Law and Order Department,
Secretariat, Chennai - 9.
6. The Public Prosecutor,
High Court, Madras.

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