



CrI.O.P.No.27613 of 2022

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED : 11.11.2022

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THE HONOURABLE MS.JUSTICE R.N.MANJULA

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1.Mathiyazhagan

2.Rammohan

3.R.Somasundaram

... Petitioners

vs.

State Rep by
The Inspector of Police,
Pennadam Police Station,
Cuddalore District.
(Crime No.448 of 2022)

... Respondent

Prayer : Criminal Original Petition has been filed under Section 482 of Cr.P.C., to direct the learned Principal District Judge (Special Judge for SC/ST Act Cases), Cuddalore to accept the surrender of the petitioners in connection with Crime No.448 of 2022 on the file of the respondent, Pennadam Police Station, Cuddalore District to consider the bail petition filed by the petitioners on the same day in accordance with law.

For Petitioners : Ms.R.Meenal
For Respondent : Mr.S.Santhosh,
Govt. Advocate (CrI.Side)



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ORDER

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This Criminal Original Petition has been filed to direct the learned Principal District Judge (Special Judge for SC/ST Act Cases), Cuddalore to accept the surrender of the petitioners in connection with Crime No.448 of 2022 on the file of the respondent, Pennadam Police Station, Cuddalore District to consider the bail petition filed by the petitioners on the same day in accordance with law.

2. In view of the specific bar under Section 18 of the Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes (Prevention of Atrocities) Act, 1989 and also taking into consideration of the possibility of misuse of the stringent provision against innocent persons, there shall be a direction to the learned Principal District Judge (Special Judge for SC/ST Act Cases), Cuddalore, to consider the petitioners' bail application, preferably on the same day of their surrender in connection with Crime No.448 of 2022 on the file of the respondent police and pass appropriate orders in accordance with law, after affording due opportunity to the victims under Section 15-A of the SC/ST (POA) Act, 1989. The petitioners shall surrender before the concerned Jurisdictional Court, within a period of fifteen days from the date of the



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receipt of a copy of this Order.

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3. It is needless to say that the Court below while disposing the bail petition shall look into the gravity of the offence, previous antecedents of the petitioners and pass orders. Mere direction issued by this Court to consider the bail petition on the same day, does not amount to consider it favourably.

4. In view of the above, this Criminal Original Petition stands allowed.

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To

- 1.The Inspector of Police,
Pennadam Police Station,
Cuddalore District.
- 2.The Public Prosecutor,
High Court, Madras.

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