



*Crl.O.P.(MD)No.19840 of 2022*

**BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT**

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DATED : 14.11.2022

CORAM :

**THE HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE SATHI KUMAR SUKUMARA KURUP**

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- 1.Palanichamy
- 2.Chellammal
- 3.Gomathi Selvi
- 4.Murugeswaran
- 5.Abiramy

... Petitioners

Vs.

- 1.The Superintendent of Police,  
Dindigul District.
- 2.The Inspector of Police,  
All Women Police Station,  
Vadamadurai, Dindigul District.

.. Respondents

**Prayer :** Criminal Original Petition filed under Section 482 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, to direct the second respondent not to harass the petitioners in the name of enquiry without due process of law.

For Petitioners : Mr.S.Ramasamy  
For Respondents : Mr.A.Albert James  
Government Advocate (Crl.side)

**ORDER**

This Criminal Original Petition had been filed to direct the Second Respondent not to harass the Petitioners under the guise of enquiry.

2.When the matter came up for hearing, the learned Government

Advocate (Crl.side) appearing for the Respondents submitted that initially



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the case in Crime No.291 of 2022 had been registered for the offences under Sections 376 and 506(i) of Indian Penal Code. Thereafter, the provisions of POCSO Act has also been involved in this case. He further submitted that the victim in Crime No.291 of 2022 had approached this Court by filing W.P(MD).No.15264 of 2022, in which, order was passed on 14.07.2022 directing the Respondents to complete the investigation within a reasonable period of four weeks. As per the direction of this Court, the Respondents had issued summons to the Petitioners. Immediately after receipt of the summon, the Petitioners approached this Court.

3.In view of the submission made by the learned Government Advocate (Crl.side), the Petitioners are directed to co-operate with the pending investigation. The Respondents are directed to follow the guidelines issued by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in the case of ***Lalitha Kumari Vs. Government of Uttar Pradesh*** reported in **2013 (6) CTC 353**.

4.With the above direction, the Criminal Original Petition is disposed of.

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Index : Yes/No

Internet:Yes/No

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- 3.The Additional Public Prosecutor,  
Madurai Bench of Madras High Court, Madurai.



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