



Criminal Original Petition No.14809 of 2023

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED : 04.07.2023

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THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE N.ANAND VENKATESH

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Krishna Reddy
S/o.Late Venkata Reddy

...Petitioner

Vs

- 1.The Superintendent of Police,
Krishnagiri District,
Krishnagiri.
- 2.The Inspector of Police,
SIPCOT Police Station,
SIPCOT-I,
Hosur Taluk, Krishnagiri District.
- 3.Padmamma
W/o.Ramakrishna Reddy
- 4.Ramakrishna Reddy
H/o.Padmamma

... Respondents

PRAYER : Criminal Original Petition filed under Section 482 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973, praying to direct the second respondent not to harass the petitioner by appreciating the fact and circumstances of the case.



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For Petitioner : Mr.R.Jayaprakash

For Respondents : Mr.A.Damodaran
Additional Public Prosecutor [R1 & R2]

ORDER

This Criminal Original Petition has been filed to direct the second respondent not to harass the petitioner.

2. Heard learned counsel for petitioner and learned Additional Public Prosecutor appearing on behalf of respondents 1 and 2.

3. Learned Additional Public Prosecutor appearing for the respondents 1 and 2 submits that on the complaint given by the *de facto* complainant against the petitioner, petition enquiry is pending in C.No.248/SPDP/2023 on the file of the respondent police.

4. The petitioner is directed to co-operate with the police for enquiry and at the time of conducting the enquiry, the petitioner shall not be harassed by the police. The police cannot call the petitioner on a regular basis in the guise of enquiry without even registering an FIR and the Supreme Court of India in ***Lalitha Kumari Vs. Government of Uttar***



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Pradesh reported in **2013 (6) CTC 353** has enumerated the nature of cases where preliminary enquiry can be conducted and has also restricted the period, for which preliminary enquiry can be conducted. During the course of enquiry, if any cognizable offence is made out, the respondents 1 and 2 are free to register an FIR and this order shall not be a shield for the petitioner against the respondents proceeding to take action in accordance with law.

With the above directions, the Criminal Original Petition is closed.

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Index : Yes/No
Speaking order: Yes/No
Neutral citation: Yes/No
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