



CrI.O.P.(MD)No.481 of 2023

BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED: 09.01.2023

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THE HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE K.MURALI SHANKAR

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1.Chelladurai
2.Chandra kala ... Petitioners

Vs.

1.State through the
Deputy Superintendent of Police,
Theni District.
2.The Inspector of Police,
Theni Police Station,
Theni District.
(Crime No.2 of 2023) ... Respondents

PRAYER : Criminal Original Petition filed under Section 482 of Criminal Procedure Code, to direct Special Court for SC/ST Cases (Additional Sessions Judge, PCR Cases), Theni, to consider the bail application of the petitioners on the date of filing itself and to pass necessary orders on the same day.

For Petitioners : Mr.D.Malaichamy,

For Respondents : Mr.R.Sivakumar,
Government Advocate (CrI.Side)



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ORDER

This Criminal Original Petition filed, under Section 482 Cr.P.C., seeking orders to direct the Special Court for SC/ST Cases (Additional Sessions Judge, PCR Cases), Theni, to consider the bail application of the petitioners on the date of filing itself and to pass necessary orders on the same day.

2. The petitioners are accused for the offences punishable under Sections 294(b), 506(i) IPC and Sections 3(l)(r), 3(l)(s), 3(2)(va) of SC/ST (PoA) Amendment Act, 2015 in Crime No.2 of 2023, pending on the file of the second respondent police and apprehending arrest, they have filed the present petition.

3. Heard the learned counsel appearing for the petitioners, the learned Government Advocate (Criminal Side) appearing for the respondents and perused the materials available on record.

4. In view of the specific bar under Section 18 of the Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes (Prevention of Atrocities) Act, 1989 and



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also taking into consideration the possibility of misusing the pious intention of the Parliament against innocent persons, there shall be a direction to the learned Judge, Special Court for SC/ST Cases (Additional Sessions Judge, PCR Cases), Theni, to consider the petitioners' bail application, preferably on the same day of their surrender in connection with Crime No.2 of 2023 on the file of the second respondent police and pass appropriate orders, in accordance with law, after affording due opportunity to the victim under Section 15(a) of the SC/ST Act. The petitioners shall surrender before the concerned jurisdictional Court, within a period of fifteen days, from the date of the receipt of a copy of this order.

5. 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 favorably.



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6. With the above direction, this Criminal Original Petition stands allowed.

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NCC : Yes/No
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Internet : Yes / No
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To

- 1.The Special Court for SC/ST Cases
(Additional Sessions Judge, PCR Cases),
Theni.
2. The Deputy Superintendent of Police,
Theni District.
- 3.The Inspector of Police,
Theni Police Station,
Theni District.
- 4.The Additional Public Prosecutor,
Madurai Bench of Madras High Court,
Madurai.



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K.MURALI SHANKAR,J.

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