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Criminal Original Petition No.3288 of 2024

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS**

**DATED : 15.02.2024**

**CORAM**

**THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE N.ANAND VENKATESH**

**Criminal Original Petition No.3288 of 2024**

Syed Obaid Quadri  
S/o.Syed ShakeelQuadri

...Petitioner

Vs

1. State represented by  
Inspector of Police,  
Central Crime Branch – 1,  
Chennai.

2. Melvin Jr Pace  
Assistant Regional Security Officer -Investigator  
U.S.Consultate General  
Chennai

... Respondents

**PRAYER** : Criminal Original Petition filed under Section 482 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973, praying to call for the records in Crime No.230 of 2023 on the file of the respondent police and quash the same.

For Petitioner : Mr.J.Wiliam Shakesphere

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

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**ORDER**

This petition has been filed to call for the records in Crime No.230 of 2023 on the file of first respondent and quash the same.

2. Heard the learned counsel for the petitioner and the learned Additional Public Prosecutor appearing for first respondent.

3. The contentions put forth by the learned counsel appearing on behalf of the petitioner are purely factual in nature and this Court cannot venture into conducting a mini investigation into the matter and it therefore does not fall within the ambit of its jurisdiction under Section 482 of Cr.P.C. This Court must also bear in mind the parameters laid down by the Apex Court in *Neeharika Infrastructure Pvt.Ltd.*, case reported in **2021 SCC Online SC 315**. Any finding on facts will also have a bearing on the investigation conducted by the respondent Police.



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4. In the facts and circumstances of the case, this Court is not inclined to interfere with the investigation conducted by the respondent Police at this stage.

In the result, this Criminal Original Petition is dismissed and the respondent Police is directed to proceed further with the investigation in accordance with law and complete the investigation and file a final report or a closure report, as the case may be, within a period of six (6) months from the date of receipt of a copy of this order.

**15.02.2024**

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

1. The Inspector of Police,  
Central Crime Branch – 1  
Chennai

2. The Public Prosecutor,  
High Court, Madras.

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**N.ANAND VENKATESH, J**

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