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DATED : 01.04.2024

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THE HONOURABLE MRS. JUSTICE **R. HEMALATHA**

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Karthick @ Pasupathi

... Petitioner

Vs.

1.The Sub-Divisional Magistrate cum
Revenue Divisional Officer
Ponneri, Thiruvallur District.

2.The State Represented by
The Inspector of Police,
E-3, Minjur Police Station,
Thiruvallur District.

... Respondents

Prayer : Criminal Revision filed under Section 397 r/w. 401 of Criminal
Procedure Code 1973 set aside the order made in Na.Ka.1221/2020/A1
vide an order dated 02.07.2020 on the file of the first respondent.

For Petitioner : Mr.P.Bharath

For Respondents : Mr.S.Rajakumar

Additional Public Prosecutor



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ORDER

Challenging the orders dated 02.07.2020 in Na.Ka.1221/2020/A1 passed by the Sub-Divisional Magistrate cum Revenue Divisional Officer Ponneri, Thiruvallur District, the present revision is filed.

2. The learned counsel for the revision petitioner would submit that the first respondent had initiated proceedings against the petitioner u/s.110 Cr.P.C. and directed him to execute a bond under Section 117 Cr.P.C. for good behaviour on 06.06.2020 for a sum of Rs.5,000/- for a period of six months. Subsequently, on 15.06.2020, a case was registered against the present revision petitioner in Crime No.2117/2020 of E-3, Minjur Police Station for the offences punishable u/s.302 IPC. Since the revision petitioner violated the condition of the bond which he executed u/s.117 Cr.P.C, the Sub-Divisional Magistrate cum Revenue Divisional Officer Ponneri, Thiruvallur District initiated proceedings u/s.122(1)(b) Cr.P.C. and remanded the petitioner to undergo imprisonment until the



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expiry of the period of bond.

3. A Division Bench of this Court in ***Crl.R.C.No.137/2018 batch cases*** dated 13.03.2023 [***P.Sathish @ Sathis Kumar Vs. State Rep. by the Inspector of Police, Law and Order, H-4, Korukkupet Police Station, Chennai***], relied on the judgement of the Hon'ble Supreme Court reported in (1982) 1 SCC 71 [***Gulam Abbas Vs State of Uttar Pradesh***]. In paragraph 80 (e) of the said order dated 21.06.2023, it has been held as follows:-

"80 (e) In the light of the law laid down in paragraph 24 of the three judge bench decision of the Supreme Court in Gulam Abbas Vs State of Uttar Pradesh (1982) 1 SCC 71, an Executive Magistrate cannot authorize imprisonment under Section 123(1)(b) for violation of a bond under Section 107 Cr.P.C. A person who has violated the bond executed before the Executive Magistrate under the said provision will have to be challenged or prosecuted before the Judicial Magistrate for inquiry and punishment under Section 122(1)(b)Cr.P.C?"



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Thus it is very clear from the decision of the Division Bench of this Court that the first respondent is not the competent authority to impose any punishment u/s.122(1)(b) Cr.P.C. Therefore, the impugned order passed by the first respondent is liable to be set aside.

4. With the above observations, the present Criminal Revision is allowed. Consequently, connected Criminal Miscellaneous Petition is closed. The orders dated 02.07.2020 in Na.Ka.1221/2020/A1 on the file of the Sub-Divisional Magistrate cum Revenue Divisional Officer Ponneri, Thiruvallur District , is set aside.

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