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CrI.O.P.No.1334 of 2025

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED : 17.01.2025

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THE HONOURABLE Mr.JUSTICE **G.R.SWAMINATHAN**

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1.Chitra @ Jeyachitra
2.Sangeetha @ Jeyapriya
3.Velliyangiri

... Petitioners

Vs.

1.State by
The Superintendent of Police,
Coimbatore District.

2.The Inspector of Police,
Sulthanpettai Police Station,
Coimbatore District.

3.Trisha

... Respondents

Prayer: Criminal Original Petition is filed under Section 528 BNSS, pleaded to direct the Special Judge for SC & ST Act cases/Principal District Judge, Coimbatore to accept the surrender and consider the bail petition to be filed by the petitioners on the same day, on merits in connection with the case in Crime No.413 of 2024 pending investigation on the file of the respondent police.

For Petitioners : Mr.N.Ponraj

For R1 & R2 : Mr.S.Vinoth Kumar



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Government Advocate (Crl.Side)

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ORDER

Heard, the learned counsel on either side. The petitioners are figuring as Accused 3 to 6 in Crime No.413 of 2024, on the file of the respondent police, for the offences under Sections 296(b), 115(2) of BNS 2023, and Sections 3(i)(s) & 3(1)(r) of SC/ST (POA) Amendment Act, 2015.

2. In view of the amendments made in the Scheduled Castes and the Scheduled Tribes (Prevention of Atrocities) Act, 1989, this Court is of the view that the usual directions that were issued by this Court cannot be issued routinely in all cases. Therefore, the petitioners are directed to surrender before the trial Court within a period of two weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order and on such surrender, the learned Special Judge for SC & ST Act cases/Principal District Judge, Coimbatore, shall deal with the matter on the same day on merits and in accordance with law. The notice to the victim under Section 15(A) of the SC/ST Act can be issued in advance by informing his date of surrender by the petitioners. The postal receipt and the acknowledgement card / returned cover shall be enclosed with the surrender petition. Notice shall



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be sent by the petitioners to the last known correct address of the victim.

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3.This Criminal Original Petition is disposed of with the above directions.

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Index : Yes/No

Neutral Citation : Yes/No

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To

1.The Special Judge for SC & ST Act cases/Principal District Judge,
Coimbatore.

2.The Superintendent of Police,
Coimbatore District.

3.The Inspector of Police,
Sulthanpettai Police Station,
Coimbatore District.

4.The Public Prosecutor,
High Court of Madras,
Chennai.

G.R.SWAMINATHAN,J



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