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Crl.A.No.880 of 2022

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATE : 22.10.2025

CORAM:

THE HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE M.NIRMAL KUMAR

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Sujitha Devi

... Appellant/PW1

Versus

1.The State by,

The Inspector of Police,
All Women Police Station,
Nagapattinam, Nagapattinam District.
(Crime No.12 of 2019).

2.Veerabalan

... Respondents

PRAYER : Criminal Appeal filed under Sections 378 of Cr.P.C., praying to set aside the judgment of learned Sessions Judge cum Special Court under POCSO Act, Nagapattinam, Nagapattinam District made in Special S.C.No.32 of 2020 dated 13.04.2022 acquitting the 2nd respondent herein for the alleged offence under Sections 12 r/w 11(4), 8 r/w 7, 6 r/w 5(j)(i) of POCSO Act and under Sections 366, 506(ii) of IPC and under Section 4 of Tamilnadu Prohibition of Harassment of Women Act.

Appellant : Mr.T.R.Ravi

For Respondent-1 : Mr.Leonard Arul Joseph Selvam
Additional Public Prosecutor
Assisted by Ms.T.Harshana

For Respondent-2 : Mr.N.D.Sivakumaran



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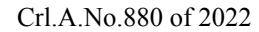
JUDGMENT

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The appeal has been filed by the de-facto complainant/PW1 seeking to set aside the judgment of acquittal passed by the learned Sessions Judge, Special Court under POCSO Act, Nagapattinam, Nagapattinam District in Special Sessions Case No.32 of 2020, dated 13.04.2022.

2.The learned counsel for the appellant submitted that the accused/Veerabalan, S/o.Kandasala Manoharan is no more and nothing survives in the appeal for adjudication.

3.The learned Additional Public Prosecutor produced the death certificate of Veerabalan, confirming that the said Veerabalan died on 26.01.2025 and the Death Certificate is extracted hereunder:



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4. In view of the same, nothing survives for adjudication in this appeal.

Hence, the Criminal Appeal is dismissed, as the 2nd respondent reported to be dead.

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Internet : Yes/No

Neutral citation : Yes/No

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To

1.The Sessions Judge,
Special Court under POCSO Act, Nagapattinam,
Nagapattinam District.

2.The Inspector of Police,
All Women Police Station,
Nagapattinam, Nagapattinam District.

3.The Public Prosecutor,
High Court, Madras.



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