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W.P.No.17078 of 2025

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED : 18.11.2025

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THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE G.K.ILANTHIRAIYAN

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and

WMP.No.19363 of 2025

R.Sabarigiri

... Petitioner

Vs.

1.The Superintendent of Police
Coimbatore District.

2.The Deputy Superintendent of Police/
Enquiry Officer
Karumathampatty Sub-Division
Coimbatore District.

... Respondents

Prayer: Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution praying to issue a Writ of Mandamus, directing the respondents to defer the conduct of enquiry in the disciplinary proceedings in proceedings C.No.F1/PR. No.93/2024 dated 4.9.2024 pursuant to the charge memo Na.Ka.No.F-1/Tha.Pa.93/2024, Pirivu 3(Aa) dated 23.07.2024 issued by the 1st respondent till the disposal of the criminal cases in CC.Nos.127, 128 and 161 of 2024 on



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the file of the Judicial Magistrate I and II Pollachi and CC.No.70 of 2024 on the file of the District Munsif-cum-Judicial Magistrate, Madukkarai respectively on the ground of charges based on the same set of oral and documentary evidences by considering the petitioner's representation dated 20.3.2025.

For Petitioner : Mr.N.Naganathan

For Respondents : Mr.V.Jeevagiridharan
Additional Government Pleader

ORDER

This Writ Petition has been filed for a direction to direct the respondents to defer the enquiry proceedings till the completion of the Criminal case.

2. Heard the learned counsel for both sides and perused the materials available on record.

3. The petitioner, while serving as a Head Constable, was involved in four criminal cases for the offence under Section 392 of IPC in different Police Stations, relating to allegations of chain snatching. Consequently, the



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petitioner was arrested and remanded to the Judicial Custody. Hence, the petitioner was deemed to have been suspended from the service and a charge memo has been issued. It is well settled that criminal proceedings as well as Departmental proceedings can go on simultaneously, unless any prejudice is likely to be caused to the delinquent, in which case they cannot be proceeded with simultaneously.

4. In the case on hand, the petitioner is involved in four criminal cases cases for the offence under Section 392 of IPC. Therefore, the Department proceedings have been initiated and are being proceeded with simultaneously. Hence, the relief sought for in the Writ Petition cannot be considered.

5. In the result, this Writ Petition is dismissed. However, the first respondent is directed to complete the disciplinary proceedings within a period of six months from the date of receipt of a copy of this order. No costs. Consequently, connected Miscellaneous Petition is closed.

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