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HCP.No.1389 of 2025

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED : 20.08.2025

CORAM :

THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE M.S. RAMESH

AND

THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE V. LAKSHMINARAYANAN

H.C.P.No.1389 of 2025

V.K.Rajasekaran Augustine

Petitioner(s)

Vs.

1.The Superintendent of Police,
Tiruvannamalai-606601

2.The Inspector of Police,
Tiruvannamalai East-606601
Tiruvannamalai District

3.Hena Vasanthi

4.J.Sathish

...Respondent(s)

PRAYER: Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India to issue a writ of Habeas Corpus, to direct the respondents to produce the body or person of the petitioner's sister in law Mrs.Sarojini Segardoss, aged about 83 years, wife of Late Segardoss Augustin before this Court and set her at liberty.



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For Petitioner : Mr.A.M.O.Gurunarayan Rao
For Respondents : Mr.E.Raj Thilak
Additional Public Prosecutor
Mr.H.Mohamed Ghouse for R3
Mr.J.Sathish, Party in person for R4

ORDER

(Order of this Court was made by M.S.RAMESH.J.)

Alleging that the petitioner's sister-in-law Mrs.Sarojini Segardoss, aged about 83 years is under the unlawful custody of the respondents 3 and 4 herein, this Habeas Corpus Petition has been filed.

2. Today, the alleged detainee Mrs.Sarojini Segardoss had appeared before us through video conferencing. On our interaction, she stated that she is now living in the residence of the respondents 3 and 4 under their care and protection. It is also her statement that she is residing there willingly without any coercion from the respondents 3 and 4 or any other person. Apart from appearing before us in-person, the detainee has also filed a duly sworn affidavit dated 13.08.2025, in which she has categorically averred that she is mentally sound and capable of making her own decisions and her decision to stay at Chennai was made by her consciously and voluntarily to escape the



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abrasive control exercised by the petitioner and his family members over her life.

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3. In view of the statement made by Mrs.Sarojini Segardoss, it cannot be stated to be a case of unlawful custody. Hence, the present prayer seeking for issuance of a Writ of Habeas Corpus does not deserve consideration.

5. Accordingly, this Habeas Corpus Petition stands closed.

[M.S.R., J] [V.L.N., J]
20.08.2025

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