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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED : 31.07.2025

CORAM :

THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE M.S. RAMESH
AND
THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE V.LAKSHMINARAYANAN

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Murugambal

... Petitioner

Vs.

1.The Home Secretary
Home Department (Prison)
Secretariat, Fort St. George
Chennai 600 009

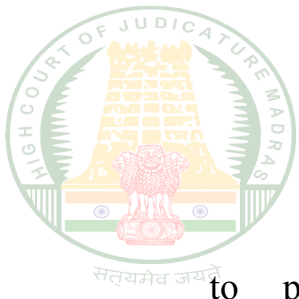
2.The Director General of Prisons
No.1, Gandhi Irwin Road
Egmore, Chennai 600 008

3.The Superintendent of Prison
Central Prison
Coimbatore

4.The Superintendent of Prison
Central Prison
Salem

... Respondents

Prayer: Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India,
praying for the issuance of Writ of Mandamus, directing the respondents



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to permanently transfer the petitioner's son Kozhi Sridhar, S/o.Palanisamy, ENRCT No.999 / PID No.32137 from Central Prison, Coimbatore to Central Prison, Salem.

For Petitioner : Mr.P.M.Basil

For Respondents : Mr.E.Raj Thilak
Additional Public Prosecutor

ORDER

M.S.RAMESH, J.

AND

V.LAKSHMINARAYANAN, J.

This Writ Petition has been filed for issuance of Writ of Mandamus, directing the respondents to permanently transfer the petitioner's son Kozhi Sridhar, S/o.Palanisamy, ENRCT No.999 / PID No.32137 from Central Prison, Coimbatore to Central Prison, Salem. based on the representation dated 05.06.2025.

2. Heard the learned counsel for the petitioner and the learned Additional Public Prosecutor appearing for the respondents.

3. It is needless to point out that whenever a representation of this nature is made to a Statutory Authority, there is a duty cast upon the respondents to consider the same on its own merits and pass appropriate



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orders in one way or other, instead of keeping the same pending indefinitely. As such, non-consideration of the representation by the Statutory Authority would amount to dereliction of duty and hence, this Court will be justified in invoking its extraordinary powers under Article 226 of Constitution of India and direct them to consider the same within a stipulated time.

4. In view of the above observation, this Court, without going into the merits of the petitioner's representation or the contentions of the petitioner in the affidavit filed in support of this Writ Petition, directs the respondent to consider the representation of the petitioner dated 05.06.2025, seeking for transfer of the petitioner's son permanently from Central Prison, Coimbatore to Central Prison, Salem, if not already disposed of and pass appropriate orders on merits and in accordance with law, within a period of eight (8) weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order and communicate the same to the petitioner.

M.S.RAMESH, J.
AND
V.LAKSHMINARAYANAN, J.



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WEB COPY 5. With the above direction, this Writ Petition stands disposed of.

[M.S.R, J.]

[V.L.N, J.]

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