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CRL A No. 1436 of 2025



IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 11-09-2025

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THE HONOURABLE MRS.JUSTICE T.V.THAMILSELVI

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1. T.Ramesh
S/o.Thamilmani, No.10, Sriram
Avenue, Kottivakkam, Chennai - 41.

Appellant(s)

Vs

1. S.Karpagavalli
W/O.Sethumadhavan, Old No.13B,
New No.2, Ganesh Nagar, 2nd Cross
Street, Telephone Colony,
Adambakkam, Chennai - 600 088.

Respondent(s)

PRAYER

To set aside the order dated 8 th day of February 2024 passed in S.T.C.No.1024/2021 by the Honble XVI Small Causes Court, at Chennai dismissing the petition under section 256 Cr.P.C. and acquitting the accused and allow the above Criminal Appeal Petition.

For Appellant(s): R.Mahalakshmi
K.R.Priya
M.Sasikala



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ORDER

This appeal has been preferred as against the order dated 08.02.2024 made in STC No.1024 of 2021 on the file of the learned XVI Judge, (FAC), Small Causes Court, Chennai.

2.The appellant lodged a complaint against the respondent for the offence punishable under Sections 138 and 141 of the Negotiable Instruments Act. The complaint was taken cognizance by the Trial Court in STC No.1024 of 2021. However, the appellant/complainant failed to appear before the Trial Court on 08.02.2024. Hence, the Trial court dismissed the complaint.

3.Considering the facts and circumstances of the case, this Court is of the view that the appellant may be given with one more opportunity to put forth the complaint before the Trial Court, since the STC case is of the year 2021.



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4. In view of the above, the order dated 08.02.2024 made in STC No.1024 of 2021 on the file of the learned learned XVI Judge, (FAC), Small Causes Court, Chennai, is hereby set aside. The Trial Court is directed to issue fresh summons to the parties, proceed with the trial. The appellant shall co-operate with the Trial Court for the expeditious disposal of the case.

5. In the result, this Criminal Appeal stands allowed.

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Index: Yes/No

Speaking/Non-speaking order

Internet: Yes

Neutral Citation: Yes/No

To

The XVI Judge, (FAC), Small Causes Court, Chennai.



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