



Crl.R.C.Nos.1925 to 1929, 1936, 1939, 1941, 1942 & 1944 of 2023

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

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DATED: 13.08.2025

CORAM:

THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE **D.BHARATHA CHAKRAVARTHY**

Crl.R.C.Nos.1925 to 1929, 1936, 1939, 1941, 1942 & 1944 of 2023

Crl.R.C.No.1925 of 2023

Senthilkumar @ Senthil

... Petitioner

Vs.

State by:

The Inspector of Police,
Neyveli Town Police Station,
Cuddalore District.
(Crime No. 271 of 2007)

... Respondent

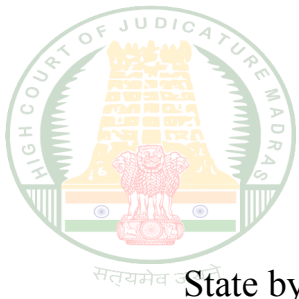
PRAYER: Criminal Revision Case has been filed under Section 397 r/w 401 of Code of Criminal Procedure, to re-appreciate the evidence available on record and may be set aside the conviction given by the learned Principal District and Sessions Judge, Cuddalore in C.A.No.26 of 2019 dated 22.10.2019, confirmed the conviction and sentence passed by the learned Judicial Magistrate No. I, Panruti in C.C.No. 436 of 2008 dated 20.12.2018 and may be acquitted the accused and allow this revision petition to meet the ends of justice.

Crl.R.C.No.1926 of 2023

Senthilkumar @ Senthil

... Petitioner

Vs.



Crl.R.C.Nos.1925 to 1929, 1936, 1939, 1941, 1942 & 1944 of 2023

State by:

The Inspector of Police,
Neyveli Town Police Station,
Cuddalore District.
(Crime No. 556 of 2006)

... Respondent

PRAYER: Criminal Revision Case has been filed under Section 397 r/w 401 of Code of Criminal Procedure, to re-appreciate the evidence available on record and may be set aside the conviction given by the learned Principal District and Sessions Judge, Cuddalore in C.A.No.23 of 2019 dated 22.10.2019, confirmed the conviction and sentence passed by the learned Judicial Magistrate No. I, Panruti in C.C.No. 433 of 2008 dated 20.12.2018 and may be acquitted the accused and allow this revision petition to meet the ends of justice.

Crl.R.C.No.1927 of 2023

Senthilkumar @ Senthil

... Petitioner

Vs.

State by:

The Inspector of Police,
Neyveli Town Police Station,
Cuddalore District.
(Crime No. 272 of 2007)

... Respondent

PRAYER: Criminal Revision Case has been filed under Section 397 r/w 401 of Code of Criminal Procedure, to re-appreciate the evidence available on record and may be set aside the conviction given by the learned Principal District and Sessions Judge, Cuddalore in C.A.No.25 of 2019 dated 22.10.2019, confirmed the conviction and sentence passed by the learned



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Judicial Magistrate No. I, Panruti in C.C.No. 435 of 2008 dated 20.12.2018 and may be acquitted the accused and allow this revision petition to meet the ends of justice.

Crl.R.C.No.1928 of 2023

Senthilkumar @ Senthil

... Petitioner

Vs.

State by:

The Inspector of Police,
Neyveli Town Police Station,
Cuddalore District.

(Crime No. 277 of 2007)

... Respondent

PRAYER: Criminal Revision Case has been filed under Section 397 r/w 401 of Code of Criminal Procedure, to re-appreciate the evidence available on record and may be set aside the conviction given by the learned Principal District and Sessions Judge, Cuddalore in C.A.No.29 of 2019 dated 22.10.2019, confirmed the conviction and sentence passed by the learned Judicial Magistrate No. I, Panruti in C.C.No.439 of 2008 dated 20.12.2018 and may be acquitted the accused and allow this revision petition to meet the ends of justice.

Crl.R.C.No.1929 of 2023

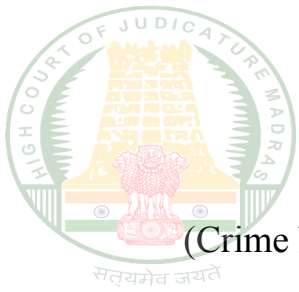
Senthilkumar @ Senthil

... Petitioner

Vs.

State by:

The Inspector of Police,
Neyveli Town Police Station,
Cuddalore District.



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(Crime No. 280 of 2007)

... Respondent

WEB C **PRAYER:** Criminal Revision Case has been filed under Section 397 r/w 401 of Code of Criminal Procedure, to re-appreciate the evidence available on record and may be set aside the conviction given by the learned Principal District and Sessions Judge, Cuddalore in C.A.No.24 of 2019 dated 22.10.2019, confirmed the conviction and sentence passed by the learned Judicial Magistrate No. I, Panruti in C.C.No.434 of 2008 dated 20.12.2018 and may be acquitted the accused and allow this revision petition to meet the ends of justice.

CrI.R.C.No.1936 of 2023

Senthilkumar @ Senthil

... Petitioner

Vs.

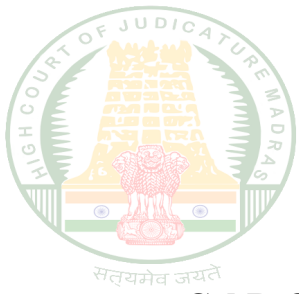
State by:

The Inspector of Police,
Neyveli Town Police Station,
Cuddalore District.

(Crime No. 149 of 2007)

... Respondent

PRAYER: Criminal Revision Case has been filed under Section 397 r/w 401 of Code of Criminal Procedure, to re-appreciate the evidence available on record and may be set aside the conviction given by the learned Principal District and Sessions Judge, Cuddalore in C.A.No.21 of 2019 dated 22.10.2019, confirmed the conviction and sentence passed by the learned Judicial Magistrate No. I, Panruti in C.C.No.431 of 2008 dated 20.12.2018 and may be acquitted the accused and allow this revision petition to meet the ends of justice.



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Senthilkumar @ Senthil

... Petitioner

Vs.

State by:

The Inspector of Police,
Neyveli Town Police Station,
Cuddalore District.
(Crime No. 273 of 2007)

... Respondent

PRAYER: Criminal Revision Case has been filed under Section 397 r/w 401 of Code of Criminal Procedure, to re-appreciate the evidence available on record and may be set aside the conviction given by the learned Principal District and Sessions Judge, Cuddalore in C.A.No.22 of 2019 dated 22.10.2019, confirmed the conviction and sentence passed by the learned Judicial Magistrate No. I, Panruti in C.C.No.432 of 2008 dated 20.12.2018 and may be acquitted the accused and allow this revision petition to meet the ends of justice.

Crl.R.C.No.1941 of 2023

Senthilkumar @ Senthil

... Petitioner

Vs.

State by:

The Inspector of Police,
Neyveli Town Police Station,
Cuddalore District. Crime No. 279 of 2007)

... Respondent

PRAYER: Criminal Revision Case has been filed under Section 397 r/w 401 of Code of Criminal Procedure, to re-appreciate the evidence available on



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record and may be set aside the conviction given by the learned Principal District and Sessions Judge, Cuddalore in C.A.No.20 of 2019 dated 22.10.2019, confirmed the conviction and sentence passed by the learned Judicial Magistrate No. I, Panruti in C.C.No.429 of 2008 dated 20.12.2018 and may be acquitted the accused and allow this revision petition to meet the ends of justice.

CrI.R.C.No.1942 of 2023

Senthilkumar @ Senthil

... Petitioner

Vs.

State by:

The Inspector of Police,
Neyveli Town Police Station,
Cuddalore District.
(Crime No. 276 of 2007)

... Respondent

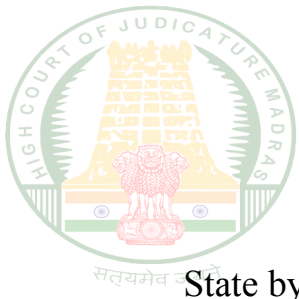
PRAYER: Criminal Revision Case has been filed under Section 397 r/w 401 of Code of Criminal Procedure, to re-appreciate the evidence available on record and may be set aside the conviction given by the learned Principal District and Sessions Judge, Cuddalore in C.A.No.28 of 2019 dated 22.10.2019, confirmed the conviction and sentence passed by the learned Judicial Magistrate No. I, Panruti in C.C.No.438 of 2008 dated 20.12.2018 and may be acquitted the accused and allow this revision petition to meet the ends of justice.

CrI.R.C.No.1944 of 2023

Senthilkumar @ Senthil

... Petitioner

Vs.



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State by:

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The Inspector of Police,
Neyveli Town Police Station,
Cuddalore District.
(Crime No. 278 of 2007)

... Respondent

PRAYER: Criminal Revision Case has been filed under Section 397 r/w 401 of Code of Criminal Procedure, to re-appreciate the evidence available on record and may be set aside the conviction given by the learned Principal District and Sessions Judge, Cuddalore in C.A.No.27 of 2019 dated 22.10.2019, confirmed the conviction and sentence passed by the learned Judicial Magistrate No. I, Panruti in C.C.No.437 of 2008 dated 20.12.2018 and may be acquitted the accused and allow this revision petition to meet the ends of justice.

In all cases

For Petitioner : Mr.A.Arasu Ganeshan

For Respondent : Mr.J.Subbiah
Government Advocate (Crl.Side)

COMMON ORDER

All the Criminal Revision Petitions are filed to set aside the order passed in Crl.A.Nos. 26, 23, 25, 29, 24, 21, 22, 20, 28, and 27 of 2019 on the file of the Principal District and Sessions Judge, Cuddalore, dated 22.10.2019, which confirmed the judgment made in C.C.Nos. 436, 433, 435, 439, 434, 431, 432, 429, 438, and 437 of 2008, respectively, on the file of Judicial Magistrate No.1, Panruti, dated 20.12.2018.



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WEB COPY 2. These ten Criminal Revision Petitions are filed by the same petitioner, and the allegations are similar in nature, namely theft. The respondent/police is also the same, and thus they have been taken up and disposed of by this common order.

3. Broadly, the allegations in these cases relate to chain snatching incidents, all registered in June 2007, except for the case in Crl.R.C.1926 of 2023, which was registered in December 2006. In that case, the allegation is that two persons came on a two-wheeler and snatched the victim's chain. The jewels, either in full or part, are said to have been recovered from the petitioner.

4. The necessary details in respect of each of the cases is given hereunder:-

Crl.R.C.No.1925 of 2023

1. Incident – 03.06.2007, 19.00 Hrs.
2. Complaint – 04.06.2007, 15.00 Hrs.
3. FIR- 271/2007, u/s 379 IPC against unknown
4. FIR contents – two persons came in two wheeler, stopped 10 ft nearby P.W.1 and acted as repairing two wheeler, when she cross them one of the person snatched 1 ½ sovereign of gold chain from P.W.1, D.Janaki and flew away.



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5. Arrest - 08.06.2007, Morning 05.00 A.M.

A1 – Vasantharaja @Prabu

A2 – Senthilkumar @ Senthil

6. Charge Sheet – C.C.No.253/2007 on the file of the District Munsif cum Judicial Magistrate, Neyveli. Thereafter transferred to Judicial Magistrate No.1, Panruti in C.C.No.436/2008.

7. Witnesses - P.W.1, D.Janaki, defacto complainant

P.W.2, Mani, son of P.W.1

P.W.3, Venkatesan, observation Mahazar Witness

P.W.4, Ravi, witness for confession Statement

P.W.5, Natarajan, SI of Police, Crime who registered FIR

P.W.6, Kalitheerthan, Inspector of police, filed charge sheet.

8. Judgment - C.C.No.436/2008 dated 20.12.2018 Simple Imprisonment for 2 years, fine Rs.1,500/-, Fine amount paid.

9. Appeal- Crl.A.No.26/2019, confirmed on 22.10.2019

Crl.R.C.No. 1926 of 2023

1. Incident – 06.12.2006, 19.30 Hrs.

2. Complaint – 07.12.2006, 10.00 Hrs.

3. FIR - 556/2006, u/s 379 IPC against unknown

4. FIR contents – two persons came in two wheeler and snatched 5 sovereign of gold chain from P.W.2, Devagi

5. Arrest - 08.06.2007, Morning 05.00 A.M.

A1 – Vasantharaja @Prabu

A2 – Senthilkumar @ Senthil

6. Charge Sheet – C.C.No.227/2007 on the file of the District Munsif cum Judicial Magistrate, Neyveli. Thereafter transferred to Judicial Magistrate No.1, Panruti in C.C.No.433/2008.

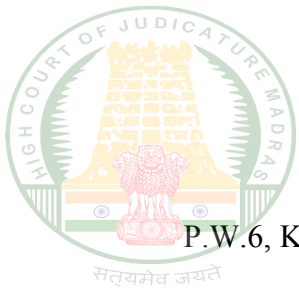
7. Witnesses - P.W.1, Sundaramurthy, defacto complainant

P.W.2, Devagi, wife of defacto complainant

P.W.3, Ravikumar, observation Mahazar Witness

P.W.4, Srinivasan, witness for confession Statement

P.W.5, Palanivel, SI of Police, who registered FIR



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P.W.6, Kalitheerthan, Inspector of police, filed charge sheet.

8. Judgment - C.C.No.433/2008 dated 20.12.2018 Simple Imprisonment for 2 years, fine Rs.1,500/-, Fine amount paid.

9. Appeal - Crl.A.No.23/2019, confirmed on 22.10.2019

Crl.R.C.No. 1927 of 2023

1. Incident– 02.06.2007, 19.00 Hrs.

2. Complaint – 04.06.2007, 18.15 Hrs.

3. FIR - 272/2007, u/s 379 IPC against unknown

4. FIR contents – two persons came in two wheeler and, stopped vehicle, one of them alighted from two wheeler and acted for passing urine suddenly he pushed defacto complainant and snatched 4 sovereign of gold chain from P.W.1, Dhanalakshmi

5. Arrest - 08.06.2007, Morning 05.00 A.M.

A1 – Vasantharaja @Prabu

A2 – Senthilkumar @ Senthil

6. Charge Sheet – C.C.No.240/2007 on the file of the District Munsif cum Judicial Magistrate, Neyveli. Thereafter transferred to Judicial Magistrate No.1, Panruti in C.C.No.435/2008.

7. Witnesses - P.W.1, Dhanalakshmi, defacto complainant

P.W.2, Saminathan, husband of P.W.1

P.W.3, Bajirunisabegum, accompanied with P.W.1 at the time of incident.

P.W.4, Murali, Observation Mahazar witness

P.W.5, Ravi, witness for confession Statement

P.W.6, Natarajan, SI of Police, Crime who registered FIR

P.W.7, Kalitheerthan, Inspector of police, filed charge sheet.

8. Judgment- C.C.No.435/2008 dated 20.12.2018 Simple Imprisonment for 2 years, fine Rs.1,500/-, Fine amount paid

9. Appeal - Crl.A.No.25/2019, confirmed on 22.10.2019

Crl.R.C.No. 1928 of 2023

1. Incident – 04.06.2007, 20.00 Hrs.

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2. Complaint – 06.06.2007, 20.00 Hrs.

3. FIR - 277/2007, u/s 379 IPC against unknown

4. FIR contents – two persons came in two wheeler and stopped the vehicle 20 ft near P.W.1, Vasumathi and one of the person alighted from the vehicle, snatched 3 sovereign of gold chain from P.W.1 and flew away.

5. Arrest - 08.06.2007, Morning 05.00 A.M.

A1 – Vasantharaja @Prabu

A2 – Senthilkumar @ Senthil

6. Charge Sheet – C.C.No.229/2007 on the file of the District Munsif cum Judicial Magistrate, Neyveli. Thereafter transferred to Judicial Magistrate No.1, Panruti in C.C.No.439/2008.

7. Witnesses - P.W.1, Vasumathi, defacto complainant

P.W.2, Seshadri, husband of P.W.1

P.W.3, Raja, observation Mahazar Witness

P.W.4, Ravi, witness for confession Statement

P.W.5, Natarajan, SI of Police, Crime who P.W.6, Kalitheerthan, Inspector of police, filed charge sheet.

8. Judgment - C.C.No.439/2008 dated 20.12.2018 Simple Imprisonment for 2 years, fine Rs.1,500/-, Fine amount paid

9. Appeal- Crl.A.No.29/2019, confirmed on 22.10.2019

Crl.R.C.No. 1929 of 2023

1. Incident – 06.06.2007, 12.30 Hrs.

2. Complaint – 07.06.2007, 18.00 Hrs.

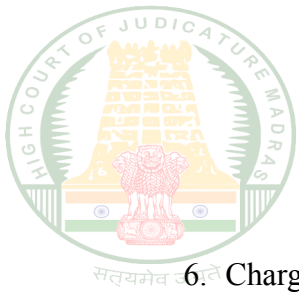
3. FIR - 280/2007, u/s 379 IPC against unknown

4. FIR contents – two persons came in two wheeler and stopped the vehicle 20 ft near P.W.1, S.Chitra and one of the person alighted from the vehicle, snatched 3 sovereign of gold chain from P.W.1 and flew away.

5. Arrest- 08.06.2007, Morning 05.00 A.M.

A1 – Vasantharaja @Prabu

A2 – Senthilkumar @ Senthil



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6. Charge Sheet – C.C.No.232/2007 on the file of the District Munsif cum Judicial Magistrate, Neyveli. Thereafter transferred to Judicial Magistrate No.1, Panruti in C.C.No.434/2008.

7. Witnesses - P.W.1, S.Chitra, defacto complainant
P.W.2, Sivakumar, husband of P.W.1
P.W.3, Pandarinathan, observation Mahazar Witness
P.W.4, Ravi, witness for confession Statement
P.W.5, Natarajan, SI of Police, Crime who registered FIR
P.W.6, Kalitheerthan, Inspector of police, filed charge sheet.

8. Judgment - C.C.No.434/2008 dated 20.12.2018
Simple Imprisonment for 2 years, fine Rs.1,500/-, Fine amount paid

9. Appeal- Crl.A.No.24/2019, confirmed on 22.10.2019

Crl.R.C.No.1936 of 2023

1. Incident– 03.06.2007, 19.30 Hrs.

2. Complaint – 04.06.2007, 18.00 Hrs.

3. FIR - 149/2007, u/s 379 IPC against unknown

4. FIR contents – two persons came in two wheeler, stopped the vehicle nearby P.W.2, and raised the engine sound, one of them snatched 3 sovereign of gold chain from P.W.2, Lakshmi and flew away.

5. Arrest- 08.06.2007, Morning 05.00 A.M.

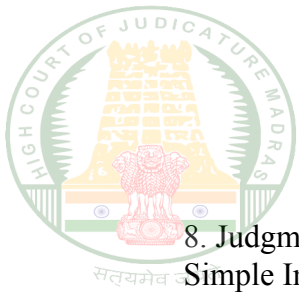
A1 – Vasantharaja @Prabu

A2 – Senthilkumar @ Senthil

6. Charge Sheet – C.C.No.203/2007 on the file of the District Munsif cum Judicial Magistrate, Neyveli. Thereafter transferred to Judicial Magistrate No.1, Panruti in C.C.No.431/2008.

7. Witnesses - P.W.1, C.Subramanian, defacto complainant
P.W.2, Lakshmi, wife of P.W.1
P.W.3, Rajeshwaran - Passer by at the time of incident
P.W.4, Jayakumar, observation Mahazar Witness
P.W.5, Ravi, witness for confession Statement
P.W.6, Kalitheerthan, Inspector of police, filed charge sheet.
P.W.7, Kirubalakshmi, SI of Police, Crime who registered FIR

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8. Judgment - C.C.No.431/2008 dated 20.12.2018

Simple Imprisonment for 2 years, fine Rs.1,500/-, Fine amount paid

9. Appeal- Crl.A.No.21/2019, confirmed on 22.10.2019.

Crl.R.C.No. 1939 of 2023

1. Incident – 04.06.2007, 19.00 Hrs.

2. Complaint – 05.06.2007, 16.45 Hrs.

3. FIR- 273/2007, u/s 379 IPC against unknown

4. FIR contents – two persons came in two wheeler and stopped the vehicle nearby defacto complainant, one of the persons alighted from the vehicle suddenly snatched 3 ½ sovereign of gold chain from P.W.1, S.Manimala

5. Arrest - 08.06.2007, Morning 05.00 A.M.

A1 – Vasantharaja @Prabu

A2 – Senthilkumar @ Senthil

6. Charge Sheet – C.C.No.239/2007 on the file of the District Munsif cum Judicial Magistrate, Neyveli. Thereafter transferred to Judicial Magistrate No.1, Panruti in C.C.No.432/2008.

7. Witnesses - P.W.1, S.Manimala, defacto complainant

P.W.2, Senthilkumar, husband of P.W.1

P.W.3, Gopal, observation Mahazar Witness

P.W.4, Ravi, witness for confession Statement

P.W.5, Natarajan, SI of Police, Crime who registered FIR

P.W.6, Kalitheerthan, Inspector of police, filed charge sheet.

8. Judgment - C.C.No.432/2008 dated 20.12.2018

Simple Imprisonment for 2 years, fine Rs.1,500/-, Fine amount paid

9. Appeal- Crl.A.No.22/2019, confirmed on 22.10.2019.

Crl.R.C.No. 1941 of 2023

1. Incident– 06.06.2007, 19.45 Hrs.

2. Complaint– 07.06.2007, 14.00 Hrs.



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3. FIR- 279/2007, u/s 379 IPC against unknown

4. FIR contents – two persons came in two wheeler and snatched 3 sovereign of gold chain from P.W.1, Kalaiselvi

5. Arrest - 08.06.2007, Morning 05.00 A.M.

A1 – Vasantharaja @Prabu

A2 – Senthilkumar @ Senthil

6. Charge Sheet – C.C.No.231/2007 on the file of the District Munsif cum Judicial Magistrate, Neyveli. Thereafter transferred to Judicial Magistrate No.1, Panruti in C.C.No.429/2008.

7. Witnesses - P.W.1, Kalaiselvi, defacto complainant

P.W.2, Vaithiyalingam, brother of P.W.1

P.W.3, Lakshmanan, observation Mahazar Witness

P.W.4, Ravi, witness for confession Statement

P.W.5, Natarajan, SI of Police, Crime who registered FIR

P.W.6, Kalitheerthan, Inspector of police, filed charge sheet.

8. Judgment- C.C.No.429/2008 dated 20.12.2018

Simple Imprisonment for 2 years, fine Rs.1,500/-, Fine amount paid

9. Appeal - Crl.A.No.20/2019, confirmed on 22.10.2019.

Crl.R.C.No. 1942 of 2023

1. Incident – 01.06.2007, 07.10 Hrs.

2. Complaint– 06.06.2007, 15.10 Hrs.

3. FIR - 276/2007, u/s 379 IPC against unknown

4. FIR contents – two persons came in two wheeler and stopped the vehicle 10 ft near P.W.1, S.Kuppammal and the pillion rider alighted from the vehicle, snatched 3 ½ sovereign of gold chain from P.W.1, S.Kuppammal and flew away.

5. Arrest- 08.06.2007, Morning 05.00 A.M.

A1 – Vasantharaja @Prabu

A2 – Senthilkumar @ Senthil

6. Charge Sheet – C.C.No.228/2007 on the file of the District Munsif cum Judicial Magistrate, Neyveli. Thereafter transferred to Judicial Magistrate No.1, Panruti in C.C.No.438/2008.

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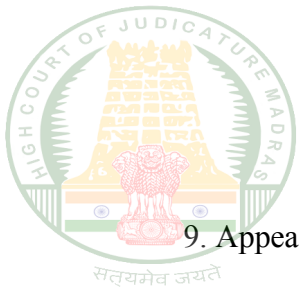
7. Witnesses - P.W.1, S.Kuppammal, defacto complainant
P.W.2, Sadayan, husband of P.W.1
P.W.3, Sigamani, brother of P.W.2
P.W.4, Ramalingam, observation Mahazar Witness
P.W.5, Ravi, witness for confession Statement
P.W.6, Natarajan, SI of Police, Crime who registered FIR
P.W.7, Kalitheerthan, Inspector of police, filed charge sheet.

8. Judgment - C.C.No.438/2008 dated 20.12.2018
Simple Imprisonment for 2 years, fine
Rs.1,500/-, Fine amount paid

9. Appeal - Crl.A.No.28/2019, confirmed on 22.10.2019

Crl.R.C.No. 1944 of 2023

1. Incident – 05.06.2007, 19.30 Hrs.
2. Complaint – 07.06.2007, 09.15 Hrs.
3. FIR - 278/2007, u/s 379 IPC against unknown
4. FIR contents – two persons came in two wheeler, stopped the vehicle 10 ft near by P.W.1, Rekha, and the pillion rider alighted from the vehicle, snatched 2 sovereign of gold chain from P.W.1, Rekha and flew away.
5. Arrest - 08.06.2007, Morning 05.00 A.M.
A1 – Vasantharaja @Prabu
A2 – Senthilkumar @ Senthil
6. Charge Sheet – C.C.No.230/2007 on the file of the District Munsif cum Judicial Magistrate, Neyveli. Thereafter transferred to Judicial Magistrate No.1, Panruti in C.C.No.437/2008.
7. Witnesses - P.W.1, Rekha, defacto complainant
P.W.2, Murugan, husband of P.W.1
P.W.3, Shanmugam, observation Mahazar Witness
P.W.4, Ravi, witness for confession Statement
P.W.5, Natarajan, SI of Police, Crime who registered FIR
P.W.6, Kalitheerthan, Inspector of police, filed charge sheet.
8. Judgment - C.C.No.437/2008 dated 20.12.2018
Simple Imprisonment for 2 years, fine Rs.1,500/-, Fine amount paid



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9. Appeal - Crl.A.No.27/2019, confirmed on 22.10.2019.

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5. The learned counsel for the petitioner submitted that the defense's case is that the petitioner was a daily wager who, during his work, developed enmity with the Sub-Inspector of police at that time. He argued that all these cases were fabricated on the same day and that the petitioner was detained under the Goondas Act. He claims that all these cases are false.

6. However, the learned Government Advocate (Crl.side) pointed out that in all these cases, there has been a recovery and, in view of the evidence available as detailed above, it cannot be said that these are foisted cases.

7. The learned counsel representing the petitioner also informs this Court about the order passed in Criminal R.C.No. 240 of 2022, etc., regarding the Accused No. 1. This petitioner is accused No. 2 in the same case. It is relevant to extract paragraphs 6 and 7 of the said judgment, which read as follows:-

“6. The learned counsel for the petitioner would submit that there were totally 13 cases against this petitioner and except these ten cases, he is acquitted in the



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other 3 cases and the petitioner hails from a respectable family background and he is not a person of bad antecedents as portrayed by the prosecution and he states that already an affidavit is filed detailing the number of days of punishment undergone by the petitioner.

7. As per the said affidavit and the further instructions to the learned counsel on the either side submitted in this regard, the petitioner has so far undergone imprisonment for a period of one year and ten days as on today. Therefore, considering the said aspect, the learned counsel for the petitioner restricted his arguments as to the question of sentence alone. Considering the antecedents of the petitioner that except for the relevant period there are no other antecedents either prior to or thereafter, considering the fact that the accused has behaved properly during the period in which he was in prison and during the period in which he was out on bail and considering the age of the accused and his reformed attitude and considering the fact that of the total period of two years imposed as imprisonment and he has undergone more than 50% of the period, I am of the view that the interest of justice would be best served if the substantive punishment of imprisonment sentence alone to be modified from the period of two years to that of the period under gone in all these ten cases."



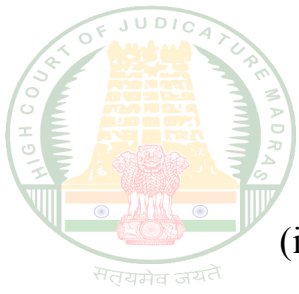
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8. The learned Government Advocate (Crl. Side) appearing for the respondent also confirms the fact about this petitioner, stating that apart from the thirteen cases mentioned above, there were no other cases against this petitioner before or after those thirteen cases. Therefore, it is evident that the petitioner has already demonstrated remorse for his conduct and has served a significant part of the punishment imposed by the Trial Court, namely, 18 months out of the two-year sentence. Since the petitioner is now said to have eking out his livelihood in a lawful manner, I am of the view, that the period already undergone is proportionate to demonstrate and make the petitioner to understand the seriousness and the consequences of his act and also would act as a deterrent to the society. Further incarceration is not necessary.

9. Accordingly, these Criminal Revisions are *partly allowed* on the following terms:-

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(i) The conviction of the petitioner in C.C.Nos.436, 433, 435, 439, 434,

431, 432, 429, 438 & 437 of 2008 on the file of the learned Judicial

Magistrate No.I, Panruti, dated 20.12.2018, as confirmed in Crl.A.Nos.26, 23,

25, 29, 24, 21, 22, 20, 28 & 27 of 2019 on the file of the learned Principal

District and Sessions Judge, Cuddalore dated 22.10.2019, is upheld;

(ii) The sentence of imprisonment alone is modified as the period already undergone.

(iii) The sentence relating to the fine amounts is confirmed and the submission that fine amounts are already paid is recorded.

13.08.2025

Neutral Citation: Yes/No
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To

1. The Principal District and Sessions Judge,
Cuddalore.

2. The Public Prosecutor,
Madras High Court.

3. The Inspector of Police,
Neyveli Township Police Station,
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