



W.P.Crl.No.1183 of 2025

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 28-10-2025

CORAM

**THE HONOURABLE MR JUSTICE N. SATHISH KUMAR
AND
THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE M.JOTHIRAMAN**

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Venkatajalapathy
S/o.Kolandaiappan, Convict Prisoner,
CT No.3095, PID No.57069,
confined at Central Prison, Salem,
Hasthampatty, Salem-7.

Petitioner(s)

Vs

1. The State represented by its
Home Secretary of Prison, Home Department, Secretariat,
Fort St.George, Chennai-600 009.

2.The Director General of Prison and Correctional
Service Department
Whannels Road, Egmore, Chennai-600 008.

3.The Director General of Prison and Correctional
Service Department
No.04, Sheshadri Road, Gandhi Nagar,
Bengaluru-560009.



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4.The Superintendent of Prison
Central Prison at Salem, Hasthampatty, Salem-7.

5.The Chief Superintendent of Prison
Central Prison at Bengaluru, Parappa, Agrahara,
Electronic City Post, Bengaluru-560100.

Respondent(s)

Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India to issue a Writ of Mandamus directing the first respondent to transfer the petitioner/convict viz. Venkatajalapathy, S/o.Kolandaiappan, CT No.3095 (PID No.57069) from the fourth respondent/Central Prison, Salem, to fifth respondent/Central Prison, Bengaluru, in pursuant of the petitioner's wife's representation dated 02.08.2025.

For Petitioner(s): Mr.M.Mohamed Saifulla

For RR 1 to 4: Mr.A.Gokulakrishnan
Additional Public Prosecutor
assisted by Ms.Arifa Thasneem

ORDER
(Made by N.Sathish Kumar, J.)

This writ petition has been filed seeking to direct the first respondent



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to transfer the petitioner/convict viz. Venkatajalapathy, S/o.Kolandaiappan, CT No.3095 (PID No.57069) from the fourth respondent/Central Prison, Salem, to fifth respondent/Central Prison, Bengaluru, pursuant to the representation of the petitioner's wife's dated 02.08.2025.

2. The petitioner is a life convict and he is confined in the Central Prison, Salem. Now, the petitioner seeks a direction to transfer him from the Central Prison, Salem, to the Central Prison, Bengaluru.

3. On instructions, the learned Additional Public Prosecutor submitted that transfer of prisoners convicted by Civil Courts of competent jurisdiction on reciprocal basis is permissible under Rule 576 of the Tamil Nadu Prison Rules, 2024. He further submitted that the representation given by the petitioner's wife has been communicated to the Government of Karnataka, but, the prison authorities of Karnataka has rejected to exercise the reciprocal arrangements and therefore, at present the respondents cannot transfer the petitioner in view of the orders passed by the prison authorities of Karnataka. Further, he submitted that the orders passed by the prison



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5.The Chief Superintendent of Prison
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