



Crl.OP.No.33748 of 2025

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 11.12.2025

CORAM:

THE HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE **A.D.JAGADISH CHANDIRA**

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K.Rani

...Petitioner

Vs.

The State rep. by,
The Inspector of Police,
D-5 Salavakkam Police Station,
Kanchipuram – 603 107.
Crime No.261 of 2019

...Respondent

Criminal Original Petition filed under Section 528 of BNSS, 2023 to direct the learned Principal District Judge, Kanchipuram to expedite the trial in S.C.No.19 of 2022 on day-to-day basis and complete the same within the stipulated time as fixed by this Hon'ble Court.

For Petitioner : Mr.R.Vivekananthan

For Respondent : Mr.S.Santhosh, GA(Crl. Side)

ORDER

This criminal original petition has been filed by the petitioner/de facto complainant seeking expeditious disposal of S.C.No.19 of 2022 pending on



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the file of the learned Principal District Judge, Kanchipuram, arising out of the FIR in Crime No.261 of 2019 registered for the offence under Section 302 of IPC on the file of the respondent, within a stipulated time.

2. When the matter was taken up for hearing, the learned Government Advocate (Crl. Side) appearing for the respondent submitted that there are thirty three (33) witnesses and the case is now posted on 19.01.2026 for commencement of trial.

3. Heard learned counsel on either side and perused the materials available on record.

4. It is pertinent to state that a Constitution Bench of the Supreme Court, in the case of ***High Court Bar Association, Allahabad vs. State of Uttar Pradesh*** reported in (2024) 6 SCC 267, has held that the constitutional courts, in the ordinary course, should refrain from fixing a time-bound schedule for the disposal of cases pending before any other court. The relevant portion of the said decision for the sake of ready reference is reproduced below:



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"47.3. Constitutional courts, in the ordinary course, should refrain from fixing a time-bound schedule for the disposal of cases pending before any other courts. Constitutional courts may issue directions for the time-bound disposal of cases only in exceptional circumstances. The issue of prioritising the disposal of cases should be best left to the decision of the courts concerned where the cases are pending."

(emphasis supplied by this Court).

5. It has also been held in the aforesaid extracted portion that in exceptional circumstances, constitutional courts may issue directions for time bound disposal of cases.

6. Considering the facts and circumstances of this case and also considering that the FIR is of the year 2019, this Court directs the learned Principal District Judge, Kanchipuram, to dispose of the case in S.C.No.19 of 2022, as expeditiously as possible, preferably within a period of one year from 19.01.2026, i.e., the next date of hearing.



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7. With the above direction, this criminal original petition stands disposed of.

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Index : Yes/No
Speaking order : Yes/No
NCC : Yes/No

To:

1. The Principal District Judge,
Kanchipuram.

2. The Inspector of Police,
D-5 Salavakkam Police Station,
Kanchipuram – 603 107.

3. The Public Prosecutor,
Madras High Court.



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