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BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATE : 15.10.2025

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THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE K.K.RAMAKRISHNAN

Crl.A.(MD).Nos.35, 50 & 65 of 2020

Crl.A.(MD).No.35 of 2020:

Duraipandi

... Appellant

Vs.

The State rep by
The Inspector of Police,
Othakadai Police Station,
Madurai District.
Crime No.97 of 2018

... Respondent

PRAYER: Criminal Appeal has been filed under Section 374(2) of the Criminal Procedure Code, to set aside the conviction and sentence imposed by the trial Court by its judgment in C.C.No.247 of 2018 dated 31.12.2019 on the file of the Principal Special Court for EC & NDPS Act cases, Madurai and acquit the appellant.

For Appellants :Mr.V.Kathirvelu Senior Advocate
For Mr.K.Prabhu

For Respondent :Mr.T.Senthil Kumar
Additional Public Prosecutor



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Crl.A.(MD).No.50 of 2020:

1.Rajeshkannan

2.Manikandan

... Appellants

Vs.

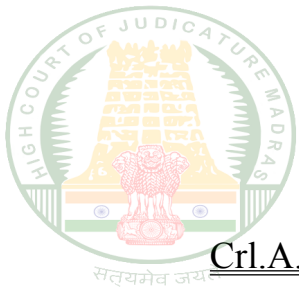
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For Appellants :Mr.M.Jegadeesh Pandian

For Respondent :Mr.T.Senthil Kumar
Additional Public Prosecutor



CrI.A.(MD).No.65 of 2020:

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Govindan

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For Appellants :Mr.Chandrasekaran for
Mr.S.Suresh Kumar

For Respondent :Mr.T.Senthil Kumar
Additional Public Prosecutor



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ADVANCE ORDER

In the result, these Criminal Appeals are allowed and the judgment passed in C.C.No.247 of 2018, dated 31.12.2019 by the learned Judge, the Principal Special Court for EC and NDPS Act Cases, Madurai as against the accused is hereby set aside. The accused/appellants are directed to be released forthwith, unless their presence is required in connection with any other case.

15.10.2025

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Note: Issue order copy on 16.10.2025

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- 1.The Principal Special Court for EC and NDPS Act Cases,
Madurai.
- 2.The Inspector of Police,
Othakadai Police Station,
Madurai District.
- 3.The Superintendent of Prison,
Central Prison, Madurai District.
- 4.The Additional Public Prosecutor,
Madurai Bench of Madras High Court,
Madurai.

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