

Crl.O.P.(MD)No.14690 of 2025

BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

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DATED : 08.09.2025

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THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE SUNDER MOHAN

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1.Ravikumar

2.Robert

... Petitioners/Accused Nos.1 & 2

Vs.

1. The State of Tamilnadu, Rep.
by The Inspector of Police,
Pazhavor Police Station,
Tirunelveli District.
(Crime No.299 of 2025)

... 1st Respondent/Complainant

2. Welington

... 2nd Respondent/Defacto Complainant

Prayer: Criminal Original Petition is filed under Section 528 BNSS, to call for the records in Crime No.299 of 2025 on the file of the first respondent police and quash the same against the petitioners.

For Petitioners : Mr.R.Suresh

For R-1 : Mr.R.M.Anbunithi
Additional Public Prosecutor

For R-2 : Mr.B.Kithiyon



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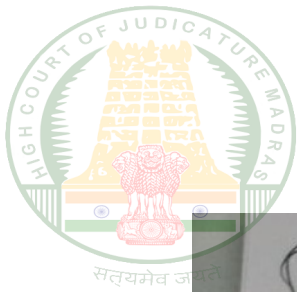
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ORDER

The petitioners seek for quashing the impugned F.I.R in Crime No.299 of 2025, on the file of the first respondent police, for the offences under Section 3 of TNPPDL Act, 1992.

2. The allegation in the F.I.R is that the petitioners had damaged the property belonging to the second respondent worth about Rs.25,000/- and thus, they committed the aforesaid offence.

3. The petitioners and the second respondent/ defacto complainant have since arrived at a compromise and had filed a joint compromise memo, by which the second respondent/ defacto complainant has agreed to withdraw the complaint and agreed for quashing of the complaint, on the basis of the compromise. The Joint Compromise Memo is extracted below:



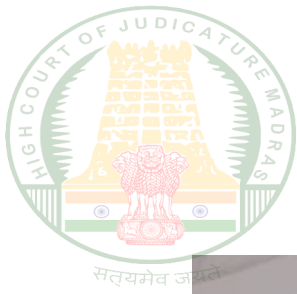
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JOINT COMPROMISE MEMO FILED BY BOTH PARTIES

1. It is submitted that on the basis of the complaint lodged by the 2nd respondent, a case has been registered against the petitioners in Crime No.299 of 2025 for the offenses under section 3 of TNPPDL Act, 1992 on the file of the 1st respondent Police.

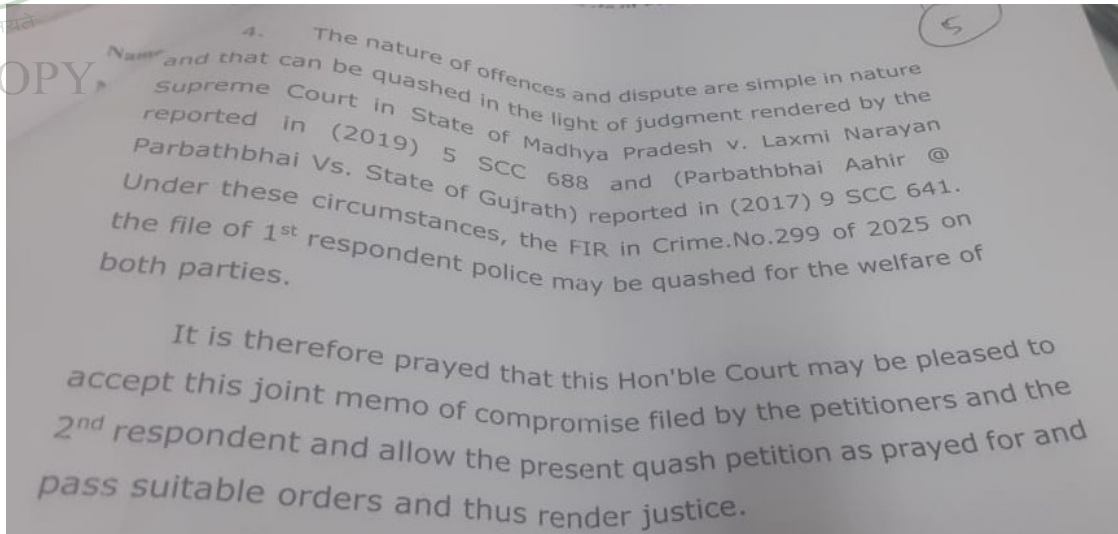
2. The petitioners and the 2nd respondent are belonging to same village. There was an internal dispute within the church members and that lead to registration of case. After filing of case, the elders and church members intervened and advised them to settle their dispute amicably. Accordingly, the petitioners and the 2nd respondent have entered into a compromise and agreed to close the case. As a result, the 2nd respondent has agreed to say no objection to close the prosecution initiated against the petitioners.

3. It is submitted that the offense mentioned in the FIR are simple in nature and no public properties were damaged and in view of the above compromise the 2nd respondent has no objection to quash the FIR pending against the petitioners in Crime.No.299 of 2025 on the file of respondent police. Unless the above criminal case pending against the petitioners is quashed, the petitioners would be put into irreparable loss and severe hardship. If the further investigation and trial proceedings are allowed to continue in this case definitely that will not fetch any fruitful results because the defacto complainant has settled the dispute with the petitioners.



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4. The said compromise memo is taken on record. The second respondent / defacto complainant is present in person and is identified by Mr.A.Muthupandian, SSI 507, Palavoor Police Station, he confirms the compromise entered into between him and the petitioners.

5. Therefore, this Court is of the view that no useful purpose would be served in keeping the investigation pending. Accordingly the impugned F.I.R in Crime No.299 of 2025, on the file of the first respondent police, is hereby quashed, in terms of the joint compromise memo. The joint compromise memo shall form part and parcel of the order.



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To

- 1.The Inspector of Police,
Pazhavor Police Station,
Tirunelveli District.
- 2.The Additional Public Prosecutor,
Madurai Bench of Madras High Court,
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