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BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

Dated: 14.11.2025

CORAM:

THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE C.V.KARTHIKEYAN
and
THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE R.VIJAYAKUMAR

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....Petitioner

1.The District Superintendent of Police
Office of the District Superintendent
of Police Office
Korampallam
Thoothukudi District.

2.The Inspector of Police
Kovilpatti East Police Station
Kovilpatti
Thoothukudi District

.....Respondents

Prayer: Petition filed under Article 226 of Constitution of India, praying to issue a writ of Habeas Corpus Petition, directing the second respondent herein to produce the body or person of the petitioner's daughter namely Kavitha, D/o.Kalaiselvam aged about 18 years before this Court and set her at liberty.



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For Petitioner : Mr.D.Balamurugapandi
For Respondents : Mr.A.Thiruvadikumar
Additional Public Prosecutor

ORDER

(Made by C.V.KARTHIKEYAN, J.)

This petition had been filed a mother complaining that her daughter had been missing on and from 13.10.2025, on which the date the petitioner was actually in Hospital and her daughter was taking care of her. In this connection, a complaint had been lodged before the second respondent and an F.I.R in Crime No.543 of 2025 has been registered under the caption “ Women Missing”.

2. The daughter of the petitioner had been produced before us on 06.11.2025. In the said order, on 06.11.2025, we had noted as follows:

“3.When we enquired the detenue/daughter of the petitioner, she expressed fear of life from the hands of her parents. Initially, she wanted to go with Manivel, but later after some counselling, she now prefers to go with her parents. Similarly, the said Manivel also expressed intention that he would like to go with the daughter of the



petitioner, but later, his father said that the education of his son is primarily important and the boy had agreed to go with his father. He has not yet attained the age of 21 years and therefore, he is not eligible to get married at this point of time.”

3. Thereafter, the matter came up for hearing on 10.11.2025. On that date, we had noted as follows:

“4. On that date, both the detenue and the boy had taken a decision to go with their respective parents. We had also directed that professional counselling could be given to the detenue and also to Manivel. We had listed the matter for further hearing today.

5. Earlier, in the day today, the learned Additional Public Prosecutor stated that the detenue/girl had been given professional counselling at Kovilpatti for one session and a further session is to be given tomorrow ie. 11.11.2025. The girl had been produced again today before the Court along with her father. The mother of the boy is present.

6. We had tried to convince the girl, that it would be in the interest of herself and also the boy that they complete their studies and be in a position where they would be able to look after themselves both financially and otherwise. But, however, the daughter of the petitioner seemed quiet reluctant to accept any other idea flowing into her mind. She requires further professional counselling. Her father who is present, expressed apprehension at having her at his house as it had caused more domestic strife.



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7. *We are of the opinion that it would be prudent to ensure that she is given continuous professional counselling by being admitted to the One Stop Centre at Kovilpatti in Thoothukudi District which is situated in the Government Hospital Building at Kovilpatti.*

8. *We also had an interaction with the mother of the boy. She was also reluctant to take the detenue into her house. She stated that her son is preparing to get admitted to the uniformed service. He also intends to complete his final year degree in Agriculture. She also stated their financial condition and the difficulties under which they raised her two sons and stated that at this stage, it may not be possible for them to accommodate the daughter of the petitioner in their family.*

9. *We had taken all efforts to convince the petitioner's daughter. It would only be appropriate to give her professional counselling. Hoping that she would be able to realise the realities of the life, we would direct the second respondent to admit her to the One Stop Centre at Kovilpatti in Thoothukudi District situated Government Hospital Building at Kovilpatti.*

10. *We place a request to the Administrative Officer to ensure that continuous guidance and professional counselling is given to her and there is also continuous watch over her to prevent her from taking hasty decision.*

11. *We hope that she would at least be able to complete her degree and ensure that she will be able to stand on her own leg. She must also realise that she require the support of her family and she would also have to extend her support to her family particularly her mother who requires her care and*



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support.

12.Call the matter on 14.11.2025 for a report to be forwarded by Administrative Officer of the One Stop Centre at Kovilpatti in Thoothukudi District.”

4. The detainee had been brought before us. The father of the detainee/husband of the petitioner is also present. We were placed with a report from P.Ponnumary, the Administrative Officer of One Stop Centre at Kovilpatti in Thoothukudi District. We must record our appreciation for the efforts taken by the said Official, who had counselled the daughter of the petitioner and finally, the daughter had agreed to rejoin her studies as a hostel Student at Venkateswara Agricultural College at Ettayapuram in Thoothukudi District.

5. The father is also present in Court. He has also stated that he would make necessary arrangements to pay the hostel fees and other necessary fees payable to the college for the resumption of the academic for his daughter. We would also place our appreciation for the efforts taken by K.Angu Thai, Sub Inspector of Police, Kovilpatti, who had been coming over to the Court, duly giving instructions to the learned Additional Public Prosecutor and taken efforts to identify the One Stop Centre at Kovilpatti,



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where the detenue had been staying for the past one week and where counselling has been done, leading finally to the detenue understanding that education is of paramount important as on date and also agreeing to rejoining the college.

6. In view of the above, no further orders are required in this Habeas Corpus Petition and the same stands closed. The second respondent may ensure that the petitioner pays the necessary fees to the College and education is continued by the detenue.

(C.V.K.J.,)

(R.V.J.,)

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