



Crl.O.P.(MD)No.20472 of 2025

BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED : 18.11.2025

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THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE SUNDER MOHAN

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and

Crl.M.P.(MD).No.17334 of 2025

1.Ashok

2.Sivaraja

3.Manikandan

... Petitioners / Accused 1 to 3

Vs.

1.The State of Tamil Nadu Rep. by,
The Inspector of Police,
Saptur Police Station,
Saptur,
Madurai District.
(Crime No.40 of 2022)

... 1st Respondent / Complainant

2.Maheswari

Working at Village Administrative Officer,
Kethuvarpatti Village,
Peraiyur Taluk,
Madurai District.

... 2nd Respondent/ Defacto Complainant

Prayer: Criminal Original Petition is filed under Section 528 of BNSS, 2023, to call for the records pertaining to the First Information Report in Crime No.40 of 2022 on the file of the 1st respondent Police and quash the same as illegal as far as against the petitioners/Accused.

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

ORDER

This Criminal Original Petition is filed to quash the impugned FIR in Crime No.40 of 2022 on the file of the first respondent, which was registered for the offences under Section 379 of IPC, Section 4(1)(1A) and 21(1) of Mines and Minerals (Development and Regulation) Act, 1957.

2. During the course of arguments, when this Court expressed that the points raised by the learned counsel for the petitioners are factual in nature, the learned counsel for the petitioners sought permission to withdraw this petition. However, the learned counsel would submit that since the FIR is pending from the year 2022, the first respondent may be directed to complete the investigation and file a final report within a reasonable time.

3. The learned Additional Public Prosecutor, on instructions, would submit that the final report would be filed within a period of one month.



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4. In view of the above submissions, this Criminal Original Petition is dismissed as withdrawn. However, since the FIR is pending from the year 2022, the first respondent is directed to complete the investigation and file a final report within a period of one (1) month from the date of receipt of a copy of this order. If the petitioners are aggrieved by the final report, it is open to the petitioners to challenge the same in the manner known to law. Consequently, connected miscellaneous petition is closed.

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NCC : Yes / No
Index : Yes / No
Internet : Yes/ No
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To

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Saptur,
Madurai District.
- 2.Village Administrative Officer,
Kethuvarpatti Village,
Peraiyur Taluk,
Madurai District.
- 3.The Additional Public Prosecutor,
Madurai Bench of Madras High Court,
Madurai.

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