



Crl.M.P. Nos. 893 & 895 of 2026
in
Crl.R.C. No. 148 of 2026

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 22.01.2026

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THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE SUNDER MOHAN

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in

Crl.R.C. No. 148 of 2026

Ramya,
W/o. Mr. P:alanisamy,
No. 12-3-9A, Veerakaran Kovil Street,
Kolathur, Mettur Taluk,
Salem District.

..Petitioner

Vs.

S. S. Sathish Kumar,
S/o. Selvaraj,
D.No. 92, S.S.D. Road,
Tiruchengode Taluk,
Namakkal District.

..Respondent

Prayer in Crl.M.P. No. 893 of 2026: Criminal Miscellaneous Petition
filed under Section 430 & 483 of BNSS to suspend the sentence imposed on
the petitioner by judgment dated 25.10.2025 passed in Crl.A. No. 53 of 2025
by the learned II Additional District and Sessions Judge, Tiruchengode,



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Namakkal District confirming the conviction and sentenced imposed by judgment dated 03.03.2025 in STC No. 41 of 2022 by the learned Judicial Magistrate, (FTC), Tiruchengode, Namakkal District pending disposal of the criminal revision petition.

Prayer in Crl.M.P. No. 895 of 2026: Criminal Miscellaneous Petition filed under Section 528 BNSS to exempt the petitioner from surrendering the Lower Court pursuant to the judgment dated 25.10.2025 passed in Crl.A. No. 53 of 2025 by the learned II Additional District and Sessions Judge, Tiruchengode, Namakkal District confirming the conviction and sentence imposed by judgment dated 03.03.2025 in STC No. 41 of 2022 by the learned Judicial Magistrate, (FTC), Tiruchengode, Namakkal District pending disposal of the criminal revision petition.

For Petitioner :: Mr.M.R. Jothimanian

COMMON ORDER

The petitioner has preferred the above revision challenging the judgment 25.10.2025 passed in Crl.A. No. 53 of 2025 by the learned II Additional District and Sessions Judge, Tiruchengode, Namakkal District,



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confirming the judgment of the learned Magistrate convicting the petitioner for the offence under Section 138 of the Negotiable Instruments Act, and sentencing her to undergo simple imprisonment for one year and to pay compensation of Rs.2,00,000/- carrying a default sentence of simple imprisonment for one month. The instant petitions have been filed to suspend the sentence imposed on the petitioner and to exempt the petitioner from surrendering before the Trial Court, pending disposal of the above revision.

2. It is the case of the respondent that the petitioner had issued a cheque for a sum of Rs.2,00,000/- towards discharge of liability; that when the said cheque was presented for collection, it was returned for the reason 'Funds Insufficient'; that in spite of the statutory notice, the petitioner did not make the payment; and hence liable for the said offence.

3. The learned counsel for the petitioner would submit that the petitioner has raised substantial grounds in the above revision; that the petitioner has rebutted the statutory presumption; that the judgment of the



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Courts below are liable to be set aside; and that, to show her bona fides, the petitioner is willing to deposit 40% of the cheque amount.

4. Heard the learned counsel for the petitioner and perused the materials available on record.

5. Having regard to the submission made by the learned counsel for the petitioner that there are substantial grounds raised in the above revision which require consideration, and the fact that the petitioner is willing to deposit 40% of the cheque amount, this Court is inclined to grant suspension of sentence and exempt the petitioner from surrendering before the Trial Court, pending disposal of the revision, subject to the following conditions:

(i) The petitioner is ordered to be enlarged on bail, on condition that the petitioner shall deposit 40% of the cheque amount to the credit of STC. No. 41 of 2022 on the file of learned Judicial Magistrate (FTC), Tiruchengode, Namakkal District, within a period of four weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this



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order.

(ii) On such deposit being made, the Trial Court shall redeposit the said amount in a Fixed Deposit Account, in any one of the Nationalized Banks, renewable thereafter periodically. The disbursal of this amount shall be decided at the culmination of the Criminal Revision Case.

(iii) Thereafter, the sentence of imprisonment alone imposed on the petitioner/accused shall be suspended, on her executing a bond for a sum of Rs.10,000/- with two sureties each for a likesum to the satisfaction of the Trial Court.

(iv) The petitioner and the sureties shall affix their photographs and Left Thumb Impression in the surety bond and the trial Court may obtain a copy of their Aadhar card or Bank pass Book and mobile numbers to ensure their identity;

(v) The petitioner shall appear before the Trial Court on the first working day of every month at 10.30



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a.m., until the disposal of the revision and if she is not able to appear before the Trial Court on that day, she shall make arrangements to file an application under Section 317 Cr.P.C., and shall appear before the Trial Court on any other day in lieu of the date of her absence as directed by the Trial Court.

(vi) On the failure of the petitioner/accused, depositing the above said amount, it is open to the Trial Court to commit the petitioner/accused into custody for undergoing the sentence.

6. Accordingly, these Criminal Miscellaneous Petitions are ordered.

Neutral Citation: Yes/no

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To

1. The II Additional District and Sessions Judge,
Tiruchengode, Namakkal District.
2. The Judicial Magistrate, (FTC),
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