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H.C.P.No.180 of 2026

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED : 17.02.2026

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THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE P.VELMURUGAN
and
THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE M.JOTHIRAMAN

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Eshwaran Karuppan

... Petitioner

Vs.

1. The Commissioner of Police,
Police Commissionerate Building,
Veppery, Chennai – 600 007.

2. The Joint Commissioner of Police,
Greater Chennai Police Station,
Esplaned, Chennai – 600 001.

3. The Assistant Commissioner of Police,
Assistant Commissioner Office,
Madhavaram, Chennai.

4. The Inspector of Police,
M3, Puzhal Police Station,
Puzhal, Chennai.

... Respondents

Prayer: This Habeas Corpus Petition has been filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India to issue Writ of Habeas Corpus to direct the respondents to secure the body of the detainee by name Mahendran Pachathan, aged about 27 years C/o.Eshwaran Karuppan and produce him before this Court and handover him to the step-father/petitioner.



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For Petitioner : Mr.Santhosh Kumar Ravi

For Respondents : Mr.A.Damodaran, Addl. Public Prosecutor
Assisted by Mr.M.Karthikeyan

ORDER

(Order of the Court was made by P.VELMURUGAN, J.)

This Habeas Corpus Petition has been filed seeking directions to the respondents to produce the petitioner's son Mahendran Pachathan, aged about 27 years C/o.Eshwaran Karuppan, before this Court and handover his custody to the petitioner.

2 Learned Additional Public Prosecutor, filing the status report, would submit that the petitioner is the step-father of the detainee, who is aged about 27 years and deaf and dumb. Based on the complaint given by one Santhosh, who is brother-in-law of the deceased, a case in Cr.No.1166 of 2025 has been registered for "Man Missing". Further investigation revealed that the detainee developed illegal intimacy with A1's wife and hence A1 and A2 planned to murder the detainee and the detainee was murdered by A1 and A2, who are also deaf and dumb. After following the procedures, the body of the detainee/deceased was handed over to the petitioner.



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In view of the above submissions made by the learned Additional Public Prosecutor and since criminal case is pending with regard to death of the detainee and A1 and A2 were arrested, the relief sought for by the petitioner become infructuous.

4 Hence, this Habeas Corpus Petition stands dismissed. However, the respondents are directed to expedite the investigation in Cr.No.1166 of 2025 and file Final Report as soon as possible. The petitioner is at liberty to workout his remedy in the manner known to law.

[PVJ] [MJRJ]
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5. The Additional Public Prosecutor, Madras High Court.

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