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Crl.O.P.No.4523 of 2026

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 24.02.2026

CORAM:

THE HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE A.D.JAGADISH CHANDIRA

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... Petitioner

Vs.

1. The Superintendent of Police,
Cuddalore District.
2. The State represented by,
The Inspector of Police,
Naduveerapattu Police Station,
Cuddalore, Cuddalore District.

3. Dhivakar

... Respondents

PRAYER: Criminal Original Petition is filed under Section 528 of Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita/Section 482 Cr.P.C, to direct the Special Court for Exclusive Trial of SC & ST Act Cases, Cuddalore District, to accept the surrender of the petitioner and to consider his bail petition on the same day in respect to Crime No.35 of 2026 on the file of the respondent police.

For Petitioner : Mr.S.C.Viswanth

For R1 & R2 : Mr.S.Santhosh
Government Advocate (Criminal Side)



ORDER

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The present Criminal Original Petition has been filed seeking a direction to the Special Court for Exclusive Trial of SC & ST Act Cases, Cuddalore District, to accept the surrender of the petitioner and consequently, consider his bail petition on the same day, on merits, in connection with Crime No.35 of 2026 on the file of the second respondent police.

2. In view of the specific bar under Section 18 of the Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes (Prevention of Atrocities) Act, 1989 and also taking into consideration the possibility of misusing the pious intention of the Parliament against innocent persons, there shall be a direction to the Special Court for Exclusive Trial of SC & ST Act Cases, Cuddalore District, to consider the petitioner's bail application preferably on the same day of his surrender, in connection with Crime No.35 of 2026 on the file of the second respondent police and to pass appropriate orders in accordance with law, after affording due opportunity to the victims under Section 15-A of the SC/ST (POA) Act, 1989. The petitioner shall surrender before the jurisdictional Court within a period of fifteen days from the date of receipt of a copy of this order.



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3. Accordingly, this Criminal Original Petition stands allowed.

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Neutral Citation: Yes/No

To

1. The Judge, Special Court for Exclusive Trial of SC & ST Act Cases, Cuddalore District.
2. The Superintendent of Police, Cuddalore District.
3. The Inspector of Police, Naduveerapattu Police Station, Cuddalore, Cuddalore District
4. The Public Prosecutor, High Court of Madras.



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