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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 15-06-2026

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THE HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE SHAMIM AHMED

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CrI.MP.No.7290 of 2026

E.Gowtham, S/o.Mr.Egarajan,
32, Gandhiji Street, Alagappan Nagar,
Madurai - 625 003.

..Petitioner(s)

Vs

1. V.B.Srimathi, Mother of Swarna Iniyal,
32/45 Arunasalm Street, Chepauk,
Triplicane, Chennai-600 014.
2. Minor Swarna Iniyal, Represented by Mother
V.B.Srimathi, 32/45 Arunasalm Street,
Chepauk, Triplicane, Chennai - 600 014.

..Respondent(s)

Prayer: To call for the records and set-aside the M.C.No.397 of 2021 order dated 06.09.2025 passed by the Principal Judge, Family Court at Chennai and to reduce the quantum of Maintenance of Rs.10,000/- awarded to the 2nd respondent/Minor Child, considering the petitioner current financial status.

For Petitioner(s): Ms.R.A.Shinusha

For Respondent(s): Mr.V.T.Narendhiran

ORDER

1. This Criminal Revision Case is filed to set aside, order dated 06.09.2025, made in MC.No.397 of 2021, by the Principal Judge, Family Court at Chennai and to reduce the quantum of Maintenance of Rs.10,000/- awarded to the 2nd respondent/Minor Child.

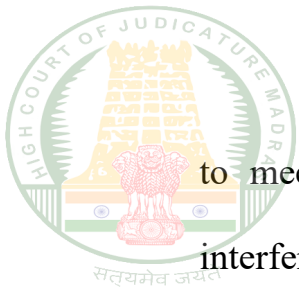


2. The facts of the case are that the Revision Petitioner and the 1st Respondent got married on 03.09.2017 and the 2nd Respondent is the minor child, born to them on 06.07.2018. It is alleged that the Respondents were sent out of the matrimonial home. Thereafter, the 1st Respondent had filed MC.No.397 of 2021, seeking maintenance before the Trial Court. By the impugned order of the Trial Court, a sum of Rs.10,000/- p.m. was ordered to be paid to the child/2nd Respondent) as maintenance. Hence, this Criminal Revision Case has been filed by the Revision Petitioner, seeking the relief, as stated above.

3. This Court heard Ms.R.A.Shinusha, the learned counsel for the Revision Petitioner and Mr.V.T.Narendhiran, the learned counsel for the Respondents.

4. The learned counsel for the Revision Petitioner has submitted that the court below failed to appreciate the fact that the Petitioner had not earned any income and that without considering the liabilities and the financial status of the Revision Petitioner, the Trial Court had passed the impugned order, granting maintenance to the tune of Rs.10,000/- p.m. to the child/2nd Respondent and that without proper application of mind, the impugned order had been passed in a mechanical manner and hence, this Criminal Revision Case is liable to be allowed, as prayed for.

5. On the other hand, learned counsel for the Respondents has submitted that the Trial Court had passed the impugned order, after duly considering the facts and circumstances of the case, as well as the statements of both the Petitioner and the Respondent. It is contended that, in such circumstances, and in order



to meet the ends of justice, the impugned order does not warrant any interference by this Court. The amount of Rs.10,000/- as maintenance for the child/2nd Respondent, is not excessive. There is no illegality, impropriety, or perversity in the impugned order, nor does it reflect any abuse of the process of the Court.

6. This Court considered the submissions of the learned counsel on either side and also perused the entire materials placed on record.

7. The facts that the Revision Petitioner is the husband of the 1st Respondent and they got a minor female child/2nd Respondent, have not been denied. The amount fixed towards maintenance by the Court Below is Rs.10,000/- for the child/2nd Respondent, which, in the present days of rising prices and high cost of living, cannot be considered as excessive or disproportionate or unreasonable. The said monetary relief granted to the Respondents, by the courts below is adequate, fair and reasonable and consistent with the standard of living, to which the aggrieved person is accustomed. The provisions of Section 125 of Cr.PC are enacted to stop the vagrancy of a destitute wife/child and provide some succour to them, who are entitled to get the maintenance, which cannot be denied. Further, the learned counsel for the Revision Petitioner has not been able to point out any illegality or impropriety or incorrectness in the impugned orders, granting such quantum of maintenance, warranting interference by this Court.

8. In such circumstances, to meet the ends of justice, the impugned orders does



not require any interference by this Court, as this court does not find any illegality or impropriety or incorrectness in the impugned orders and this Criminal Revision Case lacks merits and hence, it is liable to be dismissed.

9. In the result, the Criminal Revision Case stands **dismissed**, as devoid of merits. There is no order as to costs.

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To

1. The Principal Judge Family Court at Chennai



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