



IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 23-06-2026

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THE HON'BLE MR JUSTICE M. NIRMAL KUMAR

CRL OP No. 14071 of 2026

K. Ravikumar
S/o. Kaliyappan,
No.61B, Fort Street,
Kalasipalayam, Bangalore,
Karnataka-560 002.

..Petitioner(s)

Vs

1. State Represented by its
Inspector of Police
Acharapakkam Police Station,
Kancheepuram District.
Crime No.249 of 2024

2. M. Vignesh
S/o. Mahadev,
President, Almighty Animal Care Trust,
No.7, Sendrayanpalayam,
Thiruvallur 602 023.

..Respondent(s)

Prayer: Criminal Original Petition filed under Section 528 of BNSS, praying to direct the Respondent Police to return the Petitioner's Ashok Leyland Goods Carrier bearing Registration No.KA 51 AG 7777 in C.C. No.173 of 2025 on the file of the learned Trial Court in Crime No.249/2024 on the file of the Respondent Police.

For Petitioner(s):

Mr.A.Kalaivanan
for Mr.S.Punniyakotti

For Respondent-1:

Mr.R.Rajasekaran
Government Advocate (Crl. Side)



ORDER

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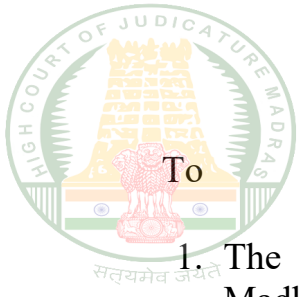
The petitioner/accused in Crime No.249 of 2024 for offence under Sections 325 of BNS, 2023, Sections 11(1)(a), 11(1)(b), 11(1)(d) and 11(1)(e) of Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Act, 1960 had filed this petition seeking for a direction to the respondent police.

2. It is seen that earlier the petitioner filed a petition before the trial Court in CrI.M.P.No.663 of 2024 seeking return of the lorry. The Judicial Magistrate No.II, Madhurantagam, by order dated 28.08.2024, dismissed the petition, against which, the petitioner preferred a revision before this Court in CrI.R.C.No.1551 of 2024 and this Court, by order dated 31.01.2025 dismissed the petition. Now the present petition filed for a similar prayer but the reason given is that earlier petition was filed, when the investigation was pending and now the charge sheet has been filed. In any event, once the charge sheet is filed, then the petitioner to approach the trial Court and not this Court directly.

3. In view of the same, this Criminal Original Petition is disposed of giving liberty to the petitioner to file return of property petition before the trial Court in C.C.No.173 of 2025.

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Index: Yes/No
Speaking/Non-speaking order
Neutral Citation: Yes/No
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To

1. The Judicial Magistrate No.II,
Madhurantagam.

2. The Inspector of Police
Acharapakkam Police Station,
Kancheepuram District.

3. The Public Prosecutor,
High Court, Madras.

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