



W.P.Crl.No.1379 of 2026

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

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DATED : 22.06.2026

CORAM :

THE HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE G.K.ILANTHIRAIYAN

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and W.P.M.P.Crl.No.469 of 2026

Ganapathi Leather Products Private Limited,
Rep. by its Authorised Signatory,
Having its Registered Office at
No.9, Wellington Estate, II Floor,
53, Commander-in-Chief Road,
Egmore, Chennai – 600 008.

.. Petitioner

Versus

1. The State of Tamil Nadu,
Rep. by the Superintendent of Police,
Economic Offences Wing,
Central Crime Branch,
Commissioner of Police,
Ashok Nagar, Chennai – 600 083.
2. The Reserve Bank of India,
Represented by its Authorized Officer,
Head Office at 16th Floor, Central Office Building,
Shahid Bhagat Singh Road, Mumbai – 400 001.
3. Union Bank of India Limited,
Rep. by its Authorised Signatory,
239, Vidhan Bhavan Marg,
Nariman Point, Mumbai – 400 021.



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4. The Branch Manager,
Union Bank of India Limited,
Mount Road Branch, Ground Floor,
LIC Building, 153, Anna Salai,
Chennai, Tamil Nadu – 600 002.

.. Respondents

Prayer : Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India seeking a Writ of Mandamus, directing the 3rd and / or 4th respondents to defreeze the petitioner's Bank Account No.332501110050000 and permit the petitioner to operate the said account pending disposal of the above Writ Petition.

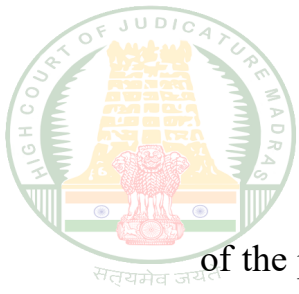
For Petitioner : Mr.L.Sarath Pandian

For Respondents : Mr.R.Ganesh Kumar,
Counsel for Government of Tamil Nadu
(Criminal Side), for R1

ORDER

This Writ Petition is filed for a direction directing the third respondent to de-freeze the petitioner's account and permit him to operate the same.

2. The petitioner is the owner-cum-developer of the property known as Vandalur Park Residency. The petitioner is also holding the account with the fourth respondent. While being so, on the instructions given by the first respondent, the fourth respondent has frozen the account



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of the petitioner and did not permit the petitioner to operate his account on the ground that the accused in Crime No.7 of 2022 on the file of the first respondent, had transferred the sum of Rs.3,3,09,000/-. It was transferred from the crime proceeds. Though now investigation is completed in Crime No.7 of 2022 and filed the Final Report and the same has been taken cognizance in C.C.No.9 of 2023 on the file of the Special Court for TNPID Act cases, Chennai, on permission, now, the further investigation is ordered and the same is not in progress.

3. While pending the further investigation, the request made by the petitioner to de-freeze the account cannot be considered and also the substantial part of the crime proceeds has been transferred to the petitioner's account by the ninth accused. Though the petitioner is not arrayed as an accused so far, the further investigation is ordered and is pending. That apart, already, the petitioner filed a Writ Petition before the Hon'ble First Bench of this Court in W.P.Crl.No.649 of 2026 and the same has been dismissed as withdrawn with a liberty to work out the remedy in accordance with law. However, once again, the petitioner filed the Writ Petition before this Court for the very same prayer. In view thereof, the prayer sought for in this Writ Petition cannot be considered.



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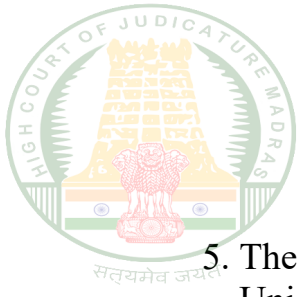
4. Accordingly, this Writ Petition is dismissed. There shall be no order as to costs. Consequently, connected miscellaneous petition is closed.

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Index : yes/no
Speaking order/Non-speaking order
Neutral Citation : yes/no
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To

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