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CRL OP No. 14039 of 2



IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 04-06-2026

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THE HON'BLE MR JUSTICE M. NIRMAL KUMAR

**CRL OP No. 14039 of 2026
and CRL.MP.No.8932 of 2026**

1. Karthikeyan @ R.K. Thevar
2. Jayaseelan @ Seelan
3. Sarathkumar

..Petitioner(s)

Vs

1. State Rep. by
The Inspector of Police
Kuthalam Police Station,
Mayiladuthurai District.
(Crime No.144 of 2022)
2. Anitha

..Respondent(s)

To call for the records in Crime No.144 of 2022 on the file of the Inspector of Police, Kuthalam Police Station, Mayiladuthurai District and quash the same as illegal and pass such further or other orders as this Honorable Court.

For Petitioner(s):

Mr.J.Milton

For Respondent(s):

Mr.A.Amarnath,
Government Advocate (Crl. Side), For R1



ORDER

The petitioners, who are arrayed as accused in Crime No.144 of 2022 for the offences punishable under Sections 489-B and 489-C of IPC, have filed this Criminal Original Petition seeking to quash the FIR.

2. The learned counsel for the petitioners submitted that the offences alleged under Sections 489-B and 489-C of IPC are not attracted, as the petitioners were neither involved in the use nor trafficking of counterfeit currency notes. It was further contended that no counterfeit currency was recovered from the petitioners.

3. The learned counsel for the petitioner further submitted that there was previous enmity between the petitioner and the defacto complainant and hence a false case has been lodged alleging that the petitioner had placed counterfeit currency notes in the shop of the defacto complainant. He further submitted that, on perusal of the CCTV footage, it will be evident that the petitioners had not indulged in any act involving counterfeit currency.

4. The learned Government Advocate (Crl. Side) submitted that the FIR has been registered in 2022 and the investigation is still in progress. He submitted that no CCTV footages were collected. He further submitted that five currency notes of Rs.500/- denomination were seized and sent for forensic examination and that the forensic report is still awaited.



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5. Considering the submissions made on either side, this Court is not inclined to interfere with the FIR at this stage. However, the respondent Police are directed to take expeditious steps to obtain the forensic report, complete the investigation, and duly consider the contentions raised by the petitioners during the course of investigation. The respondent Police shall file the final report within a period of three months from the date of receipt of the forensic report.

6. With the above directions, this Criminal Original Petition is disposed of. Consequently, connected miscellaneous petition is closed.

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

1. The Inspector of Police
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2. The Public Prosecutor,
High Court, Madras.



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