



CrI.O.P.No.16354 of 2026

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

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DATED : 29.06.2026

CORAM :

THE HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE D.BHARATHA CHAKRAVARTHY

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1. Maniyal @ Mani
2. Kavitha @ Kumudha

.. Petitioners

Versus

State rep. by

1. The Deputy Superintendent of Police,
Erode Town,
Erode District.
2. The Inspector of Police,
Karungalpalayam Police Station,
Erode District.
(Crime No.127 of 2026)

3. Manikkam

.. Respondents

Prayer : Criminal Original Petition filed under Section 528 of BNSS, 2023 to direct the learned Principal District and Sessions Judge for SC/ST Act Cases, Erode to consider the bail application filed by the petitioners on their surrender in connection with Crime No.127 of 2026 on the file of the 2nd respondent Police on the same day.



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For Petitioners : Mr.J.Ranjithkumar

For Respondents : Mr.R.Rajasekaran,
Counsel for Government of Tamil Nadu
(Criminal Side), for RR-1 and 2

ORDER

This Criminal Original Petition is filed for a direction to consider the petitioners' bail application in connection with Crime No.127 of 2026 on the file of the respondent Police on their surrender and pass orders on merits on the same day.

2. The contention made on behalf of the petitioners is that the provisions of the Scheduled Castes and the Scheduled Tribes (Prevention of Atrocities) Act, 1989 has wrongly been invoked and that the petitioners are willing to surrender along with the bail application and that the contentions relating to the merits of the averments made is taken note of.

3. Considering the above and the totality of the circumstances, the following directions are issued:

(i) the petitioners shall surrender before the learned Principal District and Sessions Judge for SC/ST Act Cases, Erode and file a bail application with reference to Crime No.127 of 2026 and the same shall be



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considered on merits on the same day;

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(ii) the petitioners will also be entitled to serve a copy of the surrender petition and the bail application in advance so that the respondent Police shall furnish a copy of the same and complete the service on the de facto complainant well in advance;

(iii) simultaneously, it will also be open to the petitioners to serve a copy to the de facto complainant.

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Neutral Citation : no
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To

1. The Principal District and Sessions Judge
for SC/ST Act Cases, Erode.
2. The Deputy Superintendent of Police,
Erode Town,
Erode District.
3. The Inspector of Police,
Karungalpalayam Police Station,
Erode District.
4. The Public Prosecutor,
High Court of Madras.



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