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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS
Case QR

DATED: 04-11-2026

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THE HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE SUNDER MOHAN

CRL MP Nos. 20612, 20617, 20622, 20624, 20629 and 20630 OF 2026
in
CRL A NO. 1342 OF 2026

Kannan
S/o Periyasamy,
Valarakurichi, Sendurai Taluk,
Ariyalur District.

..Petitioner/A1

Vs

1. State rep by
   The Deputy Superintendent of Police
   Irumbulikurichi Police Station,
   Tamil Nadu – 621 804.
   Crime No. 57 of 2023

2. State Rep By,
   The Sub-Inspector of Police
   Irumbulikurichi Police Station,
   Tamil Nadu – 621 804
   Crime No. 57 of 2023

3. Anbarasan
   S/o Samikannu,
   Colony Street,
   Valarakurichi, Sendurai Taluk,
   Ariyalur.

..Respondent(s)

CRL MP No. 20617 of 2026

Rajesh
S/o Selvarasu,
West Street, Melatheru,
Valarakurichi, Sendurai Taluk,
Ariyalur District.

..Petitioner/A3

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Vs

1. State rep by
   The Deputy Superintendent of Police
   Irumbulikurichi Police Station,
   Tamil Nadu – 621 804.
   Crime No. 57 of 2023

2. State Rep By,
   The Sub-Inspector of Police
   Irumbulikurichi Police Station,
   Tamil Nadu – 621 804
   Crime No. 57 of 2023

3. Anbarasan
   S/o Samikannu,
   Colony Street, Valarakurichi,
   Sendurai Taluk,
   Ariyalur.

..Respondent(s)

CRL MP No. 20622 of 2026

Velusamy
S/o Koodhan,
East Street, Valarakurichi,
Sendurai Taluk,
Ariyalur District.

..Petitioner/A6

Vs

1. State rep by
   The Deputy Superintendent of Police
   Irumbulikurichi Police Station,
   Tamil Nadu – 621 804.
   Crime No. 57 of 2023

2. State Rep By,
   The Sub-Inspector of Police
   Irumbulikurichi Police Station,
   Tamil Nadu – 621 804
   Crime No. 57 of 2023

3. Anbarasan
   S/o Samikannu,

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Colony Street, Valarakurichi,
Sendurai Taluk,
Ariyalur.

..Respondent(s)

CRL MP No. 20624 of 2026

Ramesh
S/o Ramalingam,
West Street, Valarakurichi, Sendurai Taluk,
Ariyalur District.

..Petitioner/A4

Vs

1. State rep by
   The Deputy Superintendent of Police
   Irumbulikurichi Police Station,
   Tamil Nadu – 621 804.
   Crime No. 57 of 2023

2. State Rep By,
   The Sub-Inspector of Police
   Irumbulikurichi Police Station,
   Tamil Nadu – 621 804
   Crime No. 57 of 2023

3. Anbarasan
   S/o Samikannu,
   Colony Street,
   Valarakurichi, Sendurai Taluk,
   Ariyalur.

..Respondent(s)

CRL MP No. 20629 of 2026

Ramachandiran
S/o Saminathan,
West Street, Valarakurichi, Sendurai Taluk,
Ariyalur District.

..Petitioner/A2

Vs

1. State rep by
   The Deputy Superintendent of Police
   Irumbulikurichi Police Station,
   Tamil Nadu – 621 804.

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2. State Rep By,
The Sub-Inspector of Police
Irumbulikurichi Police Station,
Tamil Nadu – 621 804
Crime No. 57 of 2023

3. Anbarasan
S/o Samikannu,
Colony Street, Valarakurichi,
Sendurai Taluk,
Ariyalur.

..Respondent(s)

CRL MP No. 20630 of 2026

Arun
S/o Settu,
South Street, Valarakurichi, Sendurai Taluk,
Ariyalur District.

..Petitioner/A5

Vs

1. State rep by
The Deputy Superintendent of Police
Irumbulikurichi Police Station,
Tamil Nadu – 621 804.
Crime No. 57 of 2023

2. State Rep By,
The Sub-Inspector of Police
Irumbulikurichi Police Station,
Tamil Nadu – 621 804
Crime No. 57 of 2023

3. Anbarasan
S/o Samikannu,
Colony Street, Valarakurichi,
Sendurai Taluk,
Ariyalur.

..Respondent(s)

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Common Prayer: Criminal Miscellaneous Petitions filed under Section 430(1) of BNSS, 2023, praying to suspend the sentence passed by the Hon'ble Principal District and Session Judge, Ariyalur in Spl SC No.53 of 2023 dated 30-09-2026 and enlarge the petitioners on bail pending disposal of these Criminal Appeals.

For Petitioner(s): in all petitions — Mr.Navin Suresh

For Respondents-1 & 2: in all petitions — Ms.Sharada Vivek, Additional Public Prosecutor

For Respondent-3 in all petitions : Mr.R.Raghuraj, Legal Aid Counsel

Common Order

These Criminal Appeals challenge the Judgment passed in Spl.S.C.No.53 of 2023 by the learned Principal District and Session Judge, Ariyalur, holding the petitioners/A1 to A6 guilty of the offence under Sections 147, 506(i), 355 of I.P.C. and Section 3(1)(r & s) of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes (Prevention of Atrocities) Act, 1989 (hereinafter referred to as ***"SC/ST (POA) Act"***), and sentencing him as follows:

Accused	***Offence under Section***	***Sentence imposed***
A1 to A6	147 of IPC	To undergo simple imprisonment for one year each, and to pay a fine of Rs.1,000/- each, in default to undergo imprisonment for a further period of three months each.

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A1 to A6	506(i) of IPC	To undergo simple imprisonment for one year each, and to pay a fine of Rs.1,000/- each, in default to undergo imprisonment for a further period of three months each.
A1 to A6	355 of IPC	To undergo imprisonment for one year each, and to pay a fine of Rs.1,000/- each, in default to undergo imprisonment for a further period of three months each.
A1 to A6	3(1)(r & s) of SC/ST (POA) Act	To undergo rigorous imprisonment for three years each and to pay a fine of Rs.10,000/- each, in default to undergo rigorous imprisonment for a further period of nine months each.
	The sentences were ordered to run concurrently.	

2. The learned counsel for the petitioner would submit that a fixed sentence of imprisonment has been imposed on the petitioners; that the petitioners have raised substantial grounds in the appeal; and prayed for suspension of sentence pending disposal of the appeal.

3. Heard the learned Additional Public Prosecutor, the learned Legal Aid Counsel for the victim and perused the materials available on record.

4. The trial Court had suspended the sentence imposed on the petitioners till 30.10.2026. The petitioners have raised substantial grounds in the above appeal, which require consideration. The appeal is not likely to be taken up in the near future. Considering the period of sentence of imprisonment imposed

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on the petitioners and the above facts, this Court is inclined to grant the relief of suspension of sentence to the petitioners.

5. Accordingly, these criminal miscellaneous petitions stand allowed, and the sentence imposed on the petitioners is suspended till the disposal of the above criminal appeal, and the petitioners are ordered to be released on bail on the following conditions:

(a).The petitioners shall execute a bond for a sum of Rs.10,000/- (Rupees Ten Thousand only) each, with two sureties, each for a like sum to the satisfaction of the learned Principal District and Session Judge, Ariyalur;

(b).The petitioners and the sureties shall affix their photographs and Left Thumb Impression in the surety bond and the Trial Court may obtain a copy of their Aadhar card or Bank pass Book and mobile numbers to ensure their identity; and

(c).The petitioners shall appear before the Trial Court on the first working day of every month at 10.30 a.m. until the disposal of the appeals and if they are not able to appear before the Trial Court on any day, they shall make arrangements to file an application under Section 317 Cr.P.C. and shall appear before the Trial Court on any other day in lieu of the date of their absence, as directed by the Trial Court.

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6. The High Court Legal Services Committee shall pay the scheduled fees to Mr.R.Raghuraj, the learned Legal Aid Counsel for the *de-facto* complainant/third respondent.

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To

1. The Principal District and Session Judge,
   Ariyalur.

2. The Deputy Superintendent of Police
   Irumbulikurichi Police Station,
   Tamil Nadu – 621 804.

3. The Sub-Inspector of Police
   Irumbulikurichi Police Station,
   Tamil Nadu – 621 804.

4. The Public Prosecutor,
   High Court of Madras.

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