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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 29-10-2026

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THE HON'BLE MR JUSTICE G.K. ILANTHIRAIYAN

CRL OP No. 31357 of 2026

CNR: {HCMA012534612026}

Kanniyappan
S/o Ponnusamy,
Mothakkal Kollai Kottayi,
Thandrampattu Taluk,
Thiruvannamalai

..Petitioner(s)

Vs

1. The Superintendent of Police
   Office of the Superintendent of Police,
   Vengikkal,
   Thiruvannamalai
2. The Deputy Superintendent of Police(Rural)
   Polur road, Gandhinagar,
   Thiruvannamalai
3. The Inspector of Police
   Thanipadi Police Station
   ThiruvannamalaiCrime No.144 of 2023.

..Respondent(s)

Prayer: This petition is filed under section 528 of BNS to direct the respondents to complete theinvestigation and file final report in Crime No.144 of 2023, on the file of Thanipadi PS, Thiruvannamalai District, and pass such further orders as this Honble Court may deem fit and proper in the circumstances of the case and thus render Justice.

For Petitioner(s): Mr.R.Sumithra

For Respondent(s): Mr.R.Ganesh Kumar, Additional Public Prosecutor

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ORDER

This Criminal Original Petition has been filed seeking a direction to the respondent to complete the investigation and file the final report in Crime No.144 of 2023 dated 25.03.2023 pending on the file of the third respondent police.

2. Heard the learned counsel appearing on either side and perused the materials placed on record.

3. Whenever any information in relation to commission of cognizable or non cognizable offence is received, the police officer shall adhere to the procedure contemplated under Sections 173 & 174 of the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023 and after conducting necessary enquiry/investigation, file final report under Section 193 of the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023. Such investigation under Chapter XIII of the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023 shall be completed without any unnecessary delay. The delay in filing a final report in the present case is inordinate and unjustified. Hence, it would be appropriate to direct the Investigating Officer to file a final report within a stipulated time, if not already filed.

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4. Considering the facts and circumstance of the case, this Court directs the third respondent police to complete the investigation in Crime No.144 of 2023 and file a final report within a period of four weeks from the date of the receipt of a copy of this Order.

5. This Criminal Original Petition is disposed of accordingly.

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

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To.

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4. The Public Prosecutor,
   High Court, Madras

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