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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 05-11-2026

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THE HON'BLE MR JUSTICE G.K. ILANTHIRAIYAN

CRL OP No. 32654 of 2026

CNR: {HCMA012691982026}

Case QR

Palanivel

..Petitioner

Vs

1. The State Rep by;
   The Deputy Superintendent of police
   Kallakurichi,
   Kallakurichi District.

2. The Inspector of Police
   Kachirapalayam Police Station,
   Kallakurichi District.
   Crime No.403 of 2026.

3. Susitharan

..Respondents

Prayer: The Criminal Original Petition filed under 528 of the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023, to directing the learned Principal District and Sessions Judge, Kallakurichi District to accept the surrender of the petitioner/Accused -A1 concerned in Crime No.403 of 2026 on the file of the Inspector of Police, Kachirapalayam Police Station, Kallakurichi District and consider their bail application on the same day itself.

For Petitioner : Ms.S.Thankira

For Respondents : Mr.R.Ganesh Kumar,
Additional Public Prosecutor for R1 & R2

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ORDER

This Criminal Original Petition has been filed seeking a direction to the Principal District and Sessions Judge, Kallakurichi, to consider the petitioner bail petition on the same day of his surrender in connection with Crime No.403 of 2026 since the offences are pertaining to the Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes (Prevention of Atrocities) Act, 1989.

2. In view of the specific bar contained under Section 18 of the Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes (Prevention of Atrocities) Act, 1989 and also taking into consideration of the possibility of misuse of the salutary and laudable object of the legislation against innocent persons, there shall be a direction to the Principal District and Sessions Judge, Kallakurichi, to consider the petitioner's bail application, preferably on the same day of his surrender in connection with Crime No. 403 of 2026 and pass appropriate orders in accordance with law, after affording due opportunity of hearing to the victim as contemplated under Section 15A of the SC/ST Act. The petitioner shall surrender before the concerned jurisdictional Court within a period of fifteen days from the date of the receipt of a copy of this Order.

3. It is needless to say that the Court below while disposing the bail petition shall look into the gravity of the offence, previous antecedents of the petitioner and pass orders. Mere direction issued by this Court to consider the

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bail petition on the same day does not amount to consider it favourably.

4. With the above direction, the Criminal Original Petition stands disposed of.

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

LPP

To

1. The Principal District and Sessions Judge,
Kallakurichi.

2.The Deputy Superintendent of police
Kallakurichi,
Kallakurichi District.

3.The Inspector of Police
Kachirapalayam Police Station,
Kallakurichi District.

4.The Public Prosecutor
High Court of Madras.

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