



12. Gopalakrishnan
(Wrongly mentioned as Gobalakrishnan instead
of Gopalakrishnan, in F.I.R.)

13. Venkatesan

14. Mani

15. Dhinakaran

16. Balaji P

17. Raman

18. Murugan

19. Aakash Elumalai

(Wrongly mentioned as Akash instead of
Aakash in F.I.R.)

20. Parimala

21. Mala Kumar

22. Shoba

23. Krishnamoorthy

(Wrongly mentioned as Iyyappan instead of
Krishnamoorthy in F.I.R.)

24. Renuka K

(Wrongly mentioned as Renuga instead of
Renuka in F.I.R.)

25. Devi R

26. Kathiravan

27. Kumar A

28. Thirumoorthy S

29. R. Shanmugam

..Petitioners

Vs

1. The State represented by
The Inspector of Police,
Vandavasi North Police Station,
Tiruvannamalai District,
in Crime No.256 of 2023

2. Govindarajalu

..Respondents



PRAYER: Criminal Original petition is filed under Section 528 of Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita/Section 482 Cr.P.C, to call for the entire records pertaining to the impugned FIR in Crime No.256 of 2023 on the file of the respondent No.1 police station and quash as against the petitioners are concerned.

For Petitioners : Mr.Perumal (VC)
for Ms.Sudha Ramalingam

For Respondents : Mr.S.Santhosh
Government Advocate (Criminal Side)
for R1

ORDER

The present Criminal Original Petition has been filed seeking to quash the FIR in Crime No.256 of 2023 on the file of the first respondent Police.

2. The brief facts of the case are that on 02.11.2023, the petitioners along with others were conducting a demonstration against the acquisition of agricultural land for the SIPCOT Industry project in Vandavasi to Kancheepuram Melma Junction. The said demonstration was carried out without obtaining any permission, thereby causing traffic. On account of the same, the aforesaid case in Crime No.256 of 2023 was registered by the respondent Police for the offences under Sections 143, 294(b), 341, 353, 283, 290 and 109 of IPC, which is now sought to be quashed.



3. The learned counsel for the petitioners submitted that the facts of the instant case are similar to the facts of the cases in ***Jeevanandham and others vs. The Inspector of Police, Velayuthampalayam Police Station, Karur District*** reported in (2018 2 LW (Crl) 606) and ***Sri Raja vs Inspector of Police, Sivakasi Town Police Station Virudhunagar District and others (Crl.O.P No.7922 of 2019, decided on 30.08.2019)***, in which the proceedings were quashed. Hence, he prayed to quash Crime No.256 of 2023.

4. The learned Government Advocate (Criminal Side) appearing for the first respondent Police submitted that investigation with respect to Crime No.256 of 2023 has been completed, final report has been filed and the case has been taken in STC No.4 of 2024 on the file of the Judicial Magistrate, Vandavasi. He also endorsed the aforesaid submission of the learned counsel for the petitioners.

5. Heard the learned counsel appearing on either side and perused the materials available on record.

6. In view of the above, this Court is of the opinion that the above said decisions would apply on all fours to the present case and that no useful purpose will be served by keeping the proceedings pending and is liable to be



quashed. Further, though the petition has been filed by the petitioners alone, no useful purpose would be served by allowing the proceedings to continue against the remaining accused, who are all similarly placed, and it is an abuse of process of law.

7. Accordingly, the Criminal Original Petition stands allowed and the proceedings pursuant to the First Information Report in Crime No.256 of 2023, on the file of the first respondent Police and the case in STC No 4 of 2024 on the file of Judicial Magistrate Court, Vandavasi, are hereby quashed *in toto*. Consequently, the connected miscellaneous petition is closed.

10-02-2026

Neutral Citation: Yes/No
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To

1.The Judicial Magistrate, Vandavasi

2. The Inspector of Police
Cheyyar Police Station,
Tiruvannamalai District,
in Crime No. 256 of 2023

3.The Public Prosecutor,
High Court of Madras.



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