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BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED: 27.03.2026

CORAM:

THE HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE K.MURALI SHANKAR

Tr.C.M.P.(MD)No.30 of 2026
and
C.M.P.(MD)No.522 of 2026

B.Nirmala Meri

... Petitioner/
Respondent-Wife

Vs.

J.Samuvel Chandradoss

... Respondent/
Petitioner-Husband

Prayer : This Transfer Civil Miscellaneous Petition filed under Section 24 C.P.C., to withdraw the petition in I.D.O.P.No.51 of 2025 on the file of the learned 1st Additional District and Sessions Judge, Madurai and transfer the same to the Principal District Court, Tuticorin.

For Petitioner : Mr.G.Radhakrishnan

For Respondent : Mr.M.Pandiarajan

ORDER

The Transfer Civil Miscellaneous Petition is filed to withdraw the



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case from the file of the I Additional District and Sessions Court, Madurai, in I.D.O.P.No.51 of 2025 and transfer the same to the file of the Principal District Court, Tuticorin.

2. Heard the learned counsel appearing for the petitioner and the learned counsel appearing for the respondent.

3. It is not in dispute that the marriage between the petitioner and the respondent was solemnized on 22.10.2010 as per the Christian Rites and Customs and that subsequently there arose some misunderstanding and they are living separately. It is also not in dispute that the respondent filed a petition in I.D.O.P.No.51 of 2025 seeking divorce and the same is pending on the file of the I Additional District and Sessions Court, Madurai.

4. The learned counsel appearing for the petitioner would submit that the petitioner is residing at Vilathikulam Taluk, Thoothukudi along with her 2½ years old child and finds it difficult to travel to Madurai to attend the hearings.



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5. The learned counsel appearing for the respondent would submit that they are having objections as the petitioner has not assigned any valid reason for transferring the case. But the fact remains that the respondent has not raised any specific objection.

6. In the case of ***N.C.V.Aishwarya Vs. A.S.Saravana Karthik Sha*** reported in ***2022 Live Law (SC) 627***, the Hon'ble Supreme Court has reiterated the position with generally, it is the wife's convenience, which must be looked at while considering the transfer petition under Section 24 of the Code of Civil Procedure and the relevant passage is extracted hereunder :

“The cardinal principle for exercise of power under Section 24 of the Code of Civil Procedure is that the ends of justice should demand the transfer of the suit, appeal or other proceeding. In matrimonial matters, wherever Courts are called upon to consider the plea of transfer, the Courts have to take into consideration the economic soundness of both the parties, the social strata of the spouses and their behavioural pattern, their standard of life prior to the marriage and subsequent thereto and the circumstances of both the parties in eking out their livelihood and under whose protective umbrella they are



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seeking their sustenance to life. Given the prevailing socioeconomic paradigm in the Indian society, generally, it is the wife's convenience which must be looked at while considering transfer.", the bench observed."

7. Considering the above facts and circumstances and also taking note of the fact that the petitioner is residing at Vilathikulam along with her 2½ years old child, this Court is of the view that the case in I.D.O.P.No.51 of 2025 is ordered to be withdrawn from the file of the I Additional District and Sessions Court, Madurai, and transfer the same to the file of the Principal District Court, Thoothukudi. Accordingly, the learned I Additional District and Sessions Judge, Madurai, is hereby directed to transmit the entire records in I.D.O.P.No.51 of 2025 to the file of the Principal District Court, Thoothukudi, within a period of 10 days from the date of receipt of a copy of this order and on receiving the case bundle, the learned Principal District Judge, Thoothukudi, is directed to take up the petition on file and proceed in accordance with law.

8. With the above direction, the Transfer Civil Miscellaneous Petition is allowed. Consequently, connected Miscellaneous Petition is



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closed. No costs.

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To

1. The I Additional District and Sessions Judge,
Madurai.
2. The Principal District Judge,
Thoothukudi.
3. The Section Officer,
VR Section,
Madurai Bench of Madras High Court,
Madurai.



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K.MURALI SHANKAR,J.

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