



Crl.O.P(MD)No.1271 of 2026

BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED : 23.01.2026

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THE HONOURABLE MRS.JUSTICE L.VICTORIA GOWRI

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P.Anandharajakumar

... Petitioner

Vs.

1.The Superintendent of Police,
Dindigul District,
Dindigul.

2.The Deputy Superintendent of Police,
District Crime Branch,
Dindigul,
Dindigul District.

3.The Sub Inspector of Police,
District Crime Branch,
Dindigul,
Dindigul District.

4.Karthick Manikandan

... Respondents

Prayer: Criminal Original Petition is filed under Section 528 of BNSS, 2023, to direct the respondents 1 to 3 not to harass the petitioner and his family members on the guise of enquiry.



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For Petitioner : Mr.V.Palanichamy
For R1 to R3 : Mr.M.Sakthi Kumar
Government Advocate (Crl)
For R4 : Mr.Mayilvahana Rajendran

ORDER

Seeking to direct the respondents 1 to 3 not to harass the petitioner and their family members under the guise of enquiry, this criminal original petition is filed.

2. The learned counsel for the petitioner submitted that on a complaint received as against the petitioners from the 4th respondent police, the 3rd respondent police is subjecting him to harassment in the guise of enquiry and hence, this petition.

3. The learned Government Advocate (Crl.Side) on instructions submitted that complaint has been received from the 4th respondent in a job racketing matter, following which the 2nd respondent has issued summons, dated 08.01.2026 and 13.01.2026. The matter is still pending.



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8. To allay the petitioner's apprehensions and to ensure fairness, the following directions are issued:

(a) With respect to the complaint received against the petitioner, the respondent-police shall issue written summons/notice under Section 41-A Cr.P.C/35(3) BNSS, specifying the date, time, and purpose of enquiry. Oral or informal summons are prohibited.

(b) The enquiry, if undertaken, shall be completed within two weeks from the date of the petitioner's appearance.

(c) If the police, upon enquiry, conclude that a cognizable offence is made out and propose to register an FIR, the petitioner shall be given prior written notice, enabling him to seek legal remedies including anticipatory bail.

(d) If the dispute is found to be civil in nature, the complaint shall be closed forthwith, without any coercive or intimidatory action.



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9. With these directions, this Direction Petition stands disposed
of.

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- 3.The Sub Inspector of Police,
District Crime Branch,
Dindigul,
Dindigul District.
- 4.The Additional Public Prosecutor,
Madurai Bench of Madras High Court,

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L.VICTORIA GOWRI, J.

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