



Crl.O.P(MD)No.1280 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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Ganesh @ Ganesh Manikandan ... Petitioner/Sole Accused
Vs.

1.The State of Tamil Nadu,
Rep.by the Deputy Superintendent of Police,
Melur,
Madurai District.

2.The Inspector of Police,
Keelavalavu Police Station,
Madurai District.
(Crime No.8/2026)

... Respondents/Complainants

3.Amirtham ... Respondent/Defacto Complainant

Prayer: Criminal Original Petition is filed under Section 528 of BNSS, 2023, to direct the III Additional Sessions Court, Special Court for Trial of Cases under SC / ST (POA) Act, Madurai to consider the petitioner's bail application and dispose the bail application on the same day in Crime No.8 of 2026 on the file of the 2nd respondent.



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For Petitioner : Mr.R.J.Karthick
For R1 & R2 : Mr.M.Sakthi Kumar
Government Advocate (Crl. side)

ORDER

This Criminal Original Petition has been filed to direct the III Additional Sessions Court, Special Court for Trial of Cases under SC / ST (POA) Act, Madurai to consider the petitioner's bail application and dispose the bail application on the same day in Crime No.8 of 2026 on the file of the 2nd respondent.

2. Considering the nature of the relief sought for, notice to the 3rd respondent is dispensed with.

3. The case of the prosecution is that the *defacto* complainant/3rd respondent doing mat business had applied for the scheme, namely Kalaingar Kanavu Illam and she was allotted with the said scheme. The petitioner working as Panchayat Clerk at Keelaiyur Panchayat had swindled the amount allotted to her and abused her in filthy language.



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Based on the complaint lodged by the *defacto* complainant, FIR has been registered for the offence under Sections 296(b) & 318(4) of BNS and Section 3(1)(r), 3(1)(s) of SC /ST (Prevention of Atrocities) Act, 1989 in Crime No.8 of 2026 on the file of the 2nd respondent police station.

4. Heard the learned counsel on either side and carefully perused the materials available on record.

5. Considering the limited scope of the relief sought for, this Court hereby direct III Additional Sessions Court, Special Court for Trial of Cases under SC / ST (POA) Act, Madurai, to issue prior notice to the *defacto* complainant and thereafter to consider the bail application of the petitioner on the same day of his surrender before that Court in connection with Crime No.8 of 2026 on the file of the 2nd respondent police.



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6. Accordingly, this Criminal Original Petition is disposed of.

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NCC : Yes / No
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Internet : Yes/ No

Note : Issue order copy on 27.01.2026.

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To

- 1.The Deputy Superintendent of Police,
Melur,
Madurai District.
- 2.The Inspector of Police,
Keelavalavu Police Station,
Madurai District.
- 3.The III Additional Sessions Court,
Special Court for Trial of Cases under
SC / ST (POA) Act, Madurai.
- 4.The Additional Public Prosecutor,
Madurai Bench of Madras High Court,
Madurai.



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L.VICTORIA GOWRI, J.

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