



W.P.Crl.(MD) No.484 of 2026

BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED : 30.01.2026

CORAM:

THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE G.K.ILANTHIRAIYAN
and
THE HONOURABLE MS.JUSTICE R.POORNIMA

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G.Benjamin

... Petitioner

-VS-

1. The Deputy Inspector General of Prisons
and Correctional Services
Trichy Range, Race Course Road
Trichy- 620 023

2. The Superintendent of Prison
Central Prison,
Trichy- 620 020

3. The Superintendent of Police
O/o.The Superintendent of Police
Trichy District

4. The Inspector of Police
Cantonment Police Station
Trichy District

..Respondents

PRAYER: Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, to issue a writ of Certiorarified mandamus calling for the records relating to the impugned order passed by the first respondent vide proceedings in NO.RO/TRY/540/2025-CA dated 08.01.2026 and quash the same as illegal and



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consequently direct the first respondent to grant 21 days ordinary leave without police escort to the petitioner's son namely Gnanam, S/o.Benjamin, aged about 37 years, convict Prisoner, PID No.379124 confined at Central Prison, Trichy.

For Petitioner : Mr.K.A.S. Prabhu

For Respondents : Mr.T.Senthil Kumar
Additional Public Prosecutor

ORDER

[Order of the Court was made by G.K.ILANTHIRAIYAN, J.]

The prayer in the petition is to quash the impugned order passed by the first respondent in NO.RO/TRY/540/2025-CA dated 08.01.2026 and direct the first respondent to grant 21 days ordinary leave without police escort to the petitioner's son namely Gnanam, S/o.Benjamin, aged about 37 years, convict Prisoner, PID No.379124 confined at Central Prison, Trichy.

2. It is the case of the petitioner that his son was convicted by the learned Sessions Judge, Fast Track Mahila Court, Ariyalur in Spl.S.C. No.25 of 2018 on 10.11.2021 and sentenced to undergo ten years rigorous imprisonment for the offence under Section 6 of POCSO Act. Aggrieved over the same, the convict has also filed an appeal before this Court in Crl.A(MD) No.706 of 2021 and the same was confirmed by this Court on 22.11.2022 The petitioner



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submitted an application seeking ordinary leave for a period of 21 days. After considering the request made by the petitioner, the first respondent granted ordinary leave to the petitioner's son with escort.. The petitioner being a poor person, he could not afford the cost for escorts.

3. In view of the above, the condition imposed in the order dated 08.01.2026 directing the convict to go on ordinary leave with escort is modified and he shall go on ordinary leave without escort. However, the convict is directed to comply with the usual conditions imposed by the jail authorities and he should also report before the fourth respondent police daily at 05.30 p.m. He shall duly comply with the conditions and return to the prison on expiry of the leave period.

4. Accordingly, the order of the first respondent dated 08.01.2026 is quashed insofar as the ordering escort alone and the Writ Petition is disposed of.

[G.K.I., J.] [R.P., J.]

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