



Crl.R.C(MD)No.695 of 2026

BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

WEB COPY

Dated : **08.06.2026**

CORAM

THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE B.PUGALENDHI

Crl.R.C(MD)No.695 of 2026 &
Crl.M.P(MD)No.8269 of 2026

State of Tamil Nadu,
Rep. by,
The Inspector of Police,
Vigilance and Anti-Corruption,
Tirunelveli Detachment.

... Petitioner

Vs

N.Murugan

... Respondent

Prayer: Criminal Revision Petition filed under Section 438 r/w 442 of BNSS, to call for the records relating to the Crl.M.P.No.7 of 2025 in Spl.C.C.No.13 of 2023, dated 29.09.2025 on the file of the learned Special Judge for Exclusive Trial of cases under the Prevention of Corruption Act, Tirunelveli and set aside the same.

For Petitioner : Mr.S.Deenadhayalan,
counsel for State of TN

For Respondent : No appearance



Crl.R.C(MD)No.695 of 2026

ORDER

WEB COPY

The respondent is A2 in Spl.C.C.No.13 of 2023 on the file of the learned Special Judge for Exclusive Trial of cases under the Prevention of Corruption Act, Tirunelveli. A1 / Record Clerk has received a sum of Rs.20/- from the respondent / A2 and hence, the respondent has been charged that he had abetted the crime committed by A1. Pending trial A1 passed away. The respondent herein filed a discharge petition before the Trial Court under Section 239 of Cr.P.C.

2. The Trial Court after considering the available materials, held that there are no *prima facie* materials as against the respondent to attract the presumption under Section 20 of the Prevention of Corruption Act and discharged the respondent from the proceedings. Aggrieved by the same, the State has preferred this Revision Petition.

3. This Court by order dated 20.04.2026 has admitted this Revision Petition and ordered notice to the respondent. The respondent has been served. However, there is no representation on his behalf. Therefore, this Court directed the respondent Police to secure and produce him.

2/5



Crl.R.C(MD)No.695 of 2026

4. However, the learned counsel for State of TN, on instructions, submits that the respondent / A2 has now become an insane person and it is difficult to produce him before the Court.

5. This Court considered the materials placed before this Court.

6. The respondent / A2 is a litigant before the learned Judicial Magistrate, Nanguneri in P.R.C.No.5 of 2012 and the case was posted for furnishing of copies. At that time, A1 / Record Clerk, received a sum of Rs.20/- from the respondent / A2. On seeing the same, the learned Judicial Magistrate lodged a complaint before the Vigilance Department and the case has been registered by the Vigilance Department in Crime No.1 of 2019 and final report was also filed as against the Record Clerk and the respondent. Since the Record Clerk passed away pending trial, the respondent has moved the discharge application before the Trial Court through legal aid counsel and the same was allowed by the Trial Court.



Crl.R.C(MD)No.695 of 2026

7. On perusal of the materials placed on record, this Court is not inclined to interfere with the orders passed by the Trial Court. In view of the same, this Criminal Revision Petition is dismissed. Consequently, the connected Miscellaneous Petition is closed.

08.06.2026

mbi

To

1. The learned Special Judge for
Exclusive Trial of cases under
the Prevention of Corruption Act,
Tirunelveli.
2. The Additional Public Prosecutor,
Madurai Bench of Madras High Court,
Madurai.



WEB COPY



Crl.R.C(MD)No.695 of 2026

B.PUGALENDHI, J.

mbi

Crl.R.C(MD)No.695 of 2026

08.06.2026