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BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED: 27.03.2026

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**THE HON'BLE MR JUSTICE N.ANAND VENKATESH**

**AND**

**THE HON'BLE MR JUSTICE K.K.RAMAKRISHNAN**

**H.C.P.(MD)No.399 of 2026**

Saravanan

.. Petitioner/Husband of the detenu

Vs.

1.The State of Tamilnadu,  
Rep by the Inspector of Police,  
Melur Police Station,  
Madurai District.

2.Vasanthi

3.Manjula

.....Respondents

Prayer :Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India to issue a writ of Habeas Corpus, to direct the 1<sup>st</sup> respondent herein to produce the detenu / the petitioner's wife namely Deepika, D/o.Duraipandi, aged about 25 years, set at her at liberty.



For Petitioner : Mr.M.Jegadeesh Pandian  
For Respondents : Mr.E.Antony Sahaya Prabahar  
Additional Public Prosecutor

### **ORDER**

(Order of the Court was made by N. ANAND VENKATESH,J.)

This Habeas Corpus Petition has been filed by the husband for a direction to the first respondent to produce the detainee, who is his wife and to set her at liberty.

2. We have heard the learned counsel appearing for the petitioner and the learned Additional Public Prosecutor appearing for the first respondent.

3. The case of the petitioner is that he married the detainee on 25.04.2025 and the marriage was also registered before the Sub-Registrar, Dindigul. Since the marriage was not informed to both families, the petitioner and the detainee continued to live with their respective families. All of a sudden, the whereabouts of the detainee were not known from 07.03.2026. Hence, the petitioner lodged a complaint on 11.03.2026, based on which, a “woman missing” FIR came to be registered in Crime No.131 of



2026, dated 11.03.2026.

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4. The further case of the petitioner is that the detenue has been forcibly taken to Mumbai and is being kept in the house of the third respondent. It is under these circumstances, the present Habeas Corpus Petition has been filed before this Court.

5. The learned Additional Public Prosecutor submitted that, in the course of investigation, the whereabouts of the detenue was ascertained at Mumbai. When the same was informed to the detenue, she gave a letter stating that she would work out her remedy and that, as and when she is summoned for enquiry, she will cooperate with the same. A copy of the said letter has also been placed before this Court.

6. The learned counsel for the petitioner submitted that the detenue is not acting independently and is being pressurised by her family members.

7. Taking into consideration the facts and circumstances of the case and the submissions made on either side, there shall be a direction to the



first respondent to produce the detinue before the learned Judicial Magistrate, Melur. On the date of such production, the petitioner shall be informed. The learned Judicial Magistrate shall record the statement of the detinue and proceed further in accordance with law.

8. This Habeas Corpus Petition is disposed of with the above directions.

**(N.A.V.,J..) (K.K.R.K.,J.)**  
**27.03.2026**

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