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BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED : 20.04.2026

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**THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE N.ANAND VENKATESH
AND
THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE K.K.RAMAKRISHNAN**

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Selvi Chinnathambi

..... Petitioner

Vs.

1.The Home Secretary,
Home Department (Prison),
Secretariat,
Fort St.George,
Chennai-600 009.

2.The Deputy Inspector General of Prisons,
Madurai Range, Madurai-625 001.

3.The Superintendent of Prison,
Central Prison,
Palayamkottai-627 007.

4.The Inspector of Police,
Chinnasalem Police Station,
Kallakurichi District.

..... Respondents

**Prayer : Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India for
issuance of Writ of Certiorarified Mandamus, to call for the records**



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relating to the proceedings in No.354/Utha.2/2026 (RO.MDU/354/2026.G2) issued by the second respondent dated 09.04.2026 quash the same and consequently direct the third respondent to grant 28 days ordinary leave without escort to the petitioner's son, Manikandan S/o. Velayutham, aged 35, PID No.860, currently confined at Central Prison, Palayamkottai.

For Petitioner : Mr.P.M.Basil

For Respondents : Mr.A.Thiruvadi Kumar,
Additional Public Prosecutor

ORDER

[Order of the Court was made by N.ANAND VENKATESH, J.]

This writ petition has been filed challenging the proceedings of the second respondent made in No.354/Utha.2/2026 (RO.MDU/354/2026.G2) dated 09.04.2026 wherein, the second respondent while granting ordinary leave has imposed a condition that the convict will be accompanied by an escort and this condition has been put to challenge.

2. Heard the learned counsel on either side.

3. The petitioner's son, who is a life convict, undergoing sentence at Central Prison, Palayamkottai. The petitioner submitted a representation



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seeking for ordinary leave. The second respondent while granting 28 days ordinary leave imposed a condition that the convict will be accompanied by an escort. This condition has been put to challenge in the present writ petition.

4. Taking into consideration the facts and circumstances of the case and the submissions made on either side, we are inclined to modify the condition imposed by the second respondent to the effect that the convict shall report before the fourth respondent daily at 06.00 p.m., during the entire ordinary leave period. Apart from that condition, the detenu is permitted to submit the sureties before the Superintendent of Prison, Central Prison, Palayamkottai, instead of executing the sureties before the Tahsildar and two sureties shall be the family members of the detenu. The other conditions imposed by the second respondent shall stand as it is.

5. This Writ Petition (Criminal) is disposed in the above terms.

[N.A.V., J.] & [K.K.R.K., J.]
20.04.2026

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Madurai Zone,
Madurai-625 016.
- 2.The Superintendent of Prison,
Central Prison,
Palayamkottai,
Tirunelveli-627 007.
- 3.The Superintendent of Police,
Tenkasi-627 811.
- 4.The Inspector of Police,
Alwarkurichi Police Station,
Tenkasi.
- 5.The Additional Public Prosecutor,
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