



CRL MP(MD). No.7046 of 2026

BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

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Dated : 02/04/2026

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THE HONOURABLE MRS. JUSTICE L. VICTORIA GOWRI

CRL MP(MD). No.7046 of 2026
in
CRL RC(MD). No.591 of 2026

P.Thangapandian

... Petitioner

Vs

S.Mathesh

... Respondent

PRAYER :-

To Suspending the Sentence imposed by the Learned Fast Track Court. Judicial Magistrate (at Magistrate Level), Karur by judgment dated 23.08.2021 in CC No.482 of 2018 which was confirmed by the Sessions Judge, Karur in C.A.22 of 2021, by judgment dated 21.12.2021 pending the disposal of the main Criminal Revision Petition.

For Petitioner : Mr. P.Sivachandran,
Advocate.

ORDER

This Criminal Miscellaneous Petition has been filed to suspend the sentence imposed in CC No.482 of 2018, dated 23.08.2021 passed by the



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learned Fast Track Court. Judicial Magistrate (at Magistrate Level), Karur, confirmed in C.A.22 of 2021 dated 21.12.2021 on the file of the Sessions Judge, Karur pending disposal of this criminal revision petition.

2. The learned counsel appearing for the petitioner submitted that the petitioner has been convicted by the trial Court on 23.08.2021 for the offence under Section 138 of the Negotiable Instruments Act, 1881, and the trial Court sentenced him to undergo simple imprisonment for one months and to pay the compensation of Rs.1,70,000/- (Rupees One Lakh Seventy Lakhs only) to the defacto complainant, in CC No.482 of 2018 on the file of the learned Fast Track Court. Judicial Magistrate (at Magistrate Level), Karur.

3. The learned Sessions Judge, Karur, confirmed the conviction and sentence, and dismissed C.A.No.22 of 2021 dated 21.12.2021. Challenging the same, the present Criminal Revision Case has been filed before this Court along with this Criminal Miscellaneous Petition seeking suspension of sentence.



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4. The learned counsel for the petitioner submitted that there are several infirmities in the prosecution case, and also there are contradictions in material particulars between the evidence of the prosecution witnesses. Further, he submitted that the petitioner has already deposited 20% of the compensation before the learned trial Court.

5. This Court has carefully considered the rival contentions put forward by either side and also perused the materials available on record.

6. The learned counsel for the petitioner pointed out that there are certain infirmities and inconsistencies in this case, and also there are certain contradictions in material particulars. The fact remains that there are arguable points involved in this criminal revision and further, the criminal revision is not likely to be taken up for final hearing in the near future and as such, and also considering the bonafide expressed by the petitioner, this Court is of the considered view that the petitioner herein is entitled to the relief of grant of suspension of sentence.



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7. Accordingly, this petition is allowed and the substantive sentence of imprisonment alone is suspended pending disposal of the revision with the following directions :

(i) The petitioner shall execute a bond for a sum of **Rs.25,000/- (Rupees Twenty Five Thousand only)** with two sureties, each for a like sum to the satisfaction of the learned Fast Track Court. Judicial Magistrate (at Magistrate Level), Karur;

(ii) The sureties shall affix their photographs and Left Thumb Impression in the surety bond and the trial Court may obtain a copy of their Aadhar card or Bank Pass Book to ensure their identity; and

(iii) The petitioner shall appear before the learned trial Court, on all working days at 10.30 a.m., until further orders.

(iv) The learned trial Court shall re-deposit the said sum in a Nationalised Bank, so that, the amount accrues interest and the same can be disbursed depending upon the outcome of the Criminal Revision Case in Crl.R.C.(MD)No.591 of 2026.

8. Notice to the respondent, through Court as well as privately, returnable in four weeks.



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1. The Fast Track Court. Judicial Magistrate (at Magistrate Level), Karur.
2. The Sessions Judge, Karur.



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