



*CRL MP(MD) No.8996 of 2026
in Crl.R.C.(MD)No.755 of 2026*

BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED: 29.04.2026

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THE HONOURABLE MRS.JUSTICE L.VICTORIA GOWRI**

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Petitioner/Petitioner

Vs

**State of Tamilnadu rep. by its
The Inspector of Police,
Alangudi Police Station,
Pudukottai District.
(Crime No.14/2018)**

... Respondent/Respondent

For Petitioner: Mr.T.Leninkumar

**For Respondent: Mr.M.Sakthi Kumar
Government Advocate(Crl.side)**

Prayer in CRL MP(MD).8996 of 2026 :

This Criminal Miscellaneous Petition filed under Section 438(1) B.N.S.S. Praying to suspend the sentence imposed on the petitioner by Additional District and Sessions Judge, Pudukkottai in Criminal Appeal No.69 of 2023 dated 19.02.2026 confirming the conviction and Sentence imposed by the learned District Munsif Cum Judicial Magistrate, Alangudi in C.C.No.175 of 2018, dated 29.05.2023 and enlarge him on bail pending disposal of the man criminal revision case.



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ORDER

This Criminal Miscellaneous Petition has been filed to suspend the sentence imposed on the petitioner by Additional District and Sessions Judge, Pudukkottai in Criminal Appeal No.69 of 2023 dated 19.02.2026 confirming the conviction and Sentence imposed by the learned District Munsif Cum Judicial Magistrate, Alangudi in C.C.No.175 of 2018, dated 29.05.2023 and enlarge him on bail pending disposal of the main criminal revision case.

2. The learned counsel appearing for the petitioner submitted that the petitioner was convicted by the trial Court on 29.05.2023 in C.C.No.175 of 2018 on the file of the learned District Munsif Cum Judicial Magistrate, Alangudi and sentenced to undergo rigorous imprisonment for a period of one year for the offence under Section 379 IPC and to pay a fine of Rs.1000/-, in default, to undergo simple imprisonment for a period of one month

3. Challenging the above said conviction and sentence, the petitioner has preferred appeal in Crl.A.No.69 of 2023 on the file of the learned Additional District and Sessions Judge, Pudukkottai. The learned Additional District and Sessions Judge, Pudukkottai by confirming the conviction and sentence,



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dismissed the appeal. Aggrieved by the same, the petitioner has preferred the present Criminal Revision Case along with the above miscellaneous petition.

4. The learned Government Advocate(crl.side) strongly objected for granting suspension of sentence, drawing my attention to the fact that the though the learned counsel for the petitioner insisted that suspension of sentence is automatic, the learned Additional Public Prosecutor strongly objected to the said submission by pointing out that this is not a criminal appeal, but the petitioner has come before this Court by way of revision challenging the concurrent findings of the trial Court as well as the findings of the appellate 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



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likely to be taken up for final hearing in the near future and as such, and also considering the fact that the petitioner has good chance of succeeding in the revision petition, this Court is of the considered view that the petitioner herein is entitled to the relief of grant of suspension of sentence.

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 District Munsif Cum Judicial Magistrate, Alangudi;

(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 District Munsif Cum Judicial Magistrate, Alangudi, on all working days at 10.30 a.m., until further orders.



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7. Accordingly, this Miscellaneous Petition is allowed.

29.04.2026

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To

- 1.The Additional District and Sessions Judge,
Pudukkottai.
- 2.The District Munsif Cum Judicial Magistrate,
Alangudi.
- 3.Do through the Chief Judicial Magistrate,
Pudukottai District.
- 4.The Inspector of Police,
Alangudi Police Station,
Pudukottai District.
- 5.The Additional Public Prosecutor,
Madurai Bench of Madras High Court,
Madurai.