



CRL MP(MD). No.12277 of 2026

BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

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Dated : 30/06/2026

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THE HONOURABLE MRS. JUSTICE L. VICTORIA GOWRI

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in
CRL RC(MD). No.1028 of 2026

Karunanithi

... Petitioner

Vs

The State of Tamilnadu Rep By
the Inspector of Police,
Karambakudi Police Station,
Pudukkottai District.
(In Crime No.6 of 2013).

... Respondent

PRAYER :-

To suspend the sentence of Imprisonment and sentence imposed in Crl.A.No.56 of 2022 on the file of the Additional District Judge, Pudukkottai, dated 15.06.2026 by confirming the conviction and modified the sentence imposed in C.C.No.89 of 2014 on the file of the Assistant Sessions Judge / Chief Judicial Magistrate, Pudukkottai dated 08.12.2022, pending disposal of the Criminal Revision.

For Petitioner : Mr.D.Rameshkumar,
Advocate.

For Respondent : Mr.C.Susikumar
Government Advocate (Crl.Side)



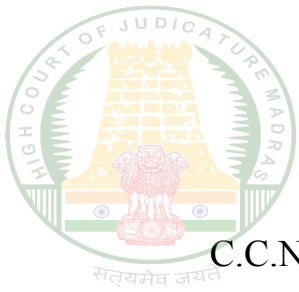
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ORDER

This Criminal Miscellaneous Petition has been filed to suspend the sentence of imprisonment imposed by the learned Additional District Judge, Pudukkottai in Crl.A.No.56 of 2022 dated 15.06.2026, confirming the conviction and sentence imposed by the learned Assistant Sessions Judge / Chief Judicial Magistrate, Pudukkottai in C.C.No.89 of 2014 dated 08.12.2022 and enlarge the petitioner on bail, pending disposal of the criminal revision petition.

2. The learned counsel appearing for the petitioner submitted that the petitioner has been convicted by the trial Court on 08.12.2022, and the trial Court sentenced him to undergo rigorous imprisonment for a period of five years and also to pay Rs.3,000/-, in default to undergo three months simple imprisonment for the offence under Section 307 of IPC, to undergo rigorous imprisonment for a period of one year for the offence under Section 324 of IPC and to undergo rigorous imprisonment for a period of one year for the offence under Section 506 (ii) of IPC in



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C.C.No.89 of 2014 on the file of the learned Assistant Sessions Judge /
Chief Judicial Magistrate, Pudukkottai.

3. The learned Additional District Judge, Pudukkottai, confirmed and modified the conviction, and sentence in CrI.A.No.56 of 2022 dated 15.06.2026, by convicting the accused for the offence under Section 326 of IPC and sentenced to undergo rigorous imprisonment for a period of one year and to pay a fine of Rs.30,000/-. Challenging the same, the present Criminal Revision Case has been filed before this Court along with this Criminal Miscellaneous Petition seeking suspension of sentence.

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

5. 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



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criminal revision is not 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.

6. 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 Assistant Sessions Judge / Chief Judicial Magistrate, Pudukkottai ;

(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



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(iii) The petitioner shall appear before the learned Assistant Sessions Judge / Chief Judicial Magistrate, Pudukkottai , on all working days at 10.30 a.m., until further orders.

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To

- 1.The Additional District Judge, Pudukkottai.
2. The Assistant Sessions Judge / Chief Judicial Magistrate, Pudukkottai.
- 3.The Inspector of Police, Karambakudi,
Police Station, Pudukkottai District.
(In Crime No.6 of 2013).
4. The Additional Public prosecutor,
Madurai Bench of Madras High Court, Madurai.



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