



Crl.M.P.(MD)No.10660 of 2025

in Crl.A.(MD)No.283 of 2024

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BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED: 18.03.2026

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THE HONOURABLE MR JUSTICE B.PUGALENDHI

Crl.M.P.(MD)No.10660 of 2025

in Crl.A.(MD)No.283 of 2024

Marudhan

... Petitioner

versus

The State of Tamilnadu, rep. by
The Inspector of Police,
All Women Police Station,
Usilampatti,
Madurai District.

... Respondent

Petition filed under Section 430(1) of BNSS 2023, seeking to suspend the sentence imposed against the petitioner in Spl.S.C.No.119 of 2020 dated 19.10.2023 passed by the Principal Special Court for Exclusive Trial of Cases under POCSO Act, Madurai and enlarge the petitioner on bail pending disposal of the above appeal.

For Petitioner : Mr.G.Karuppasamy Pandian

For Respondent : Mr.S.Prakash,
Government Advocate (Crl. Side)



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ORDER

The petitioner is the sole accused in Spl.S.C.No.119 of 2020 on the file of the Principal Special Court for Exclusive Trial of Cases under POCSO Act, Madurai. He was tried for the offence under Section 5(l) r/w. 6 of POCSO Act and 506(i) IPC and Section 11 of POCSO Act that he had sexually abused the victim child aged about 14 years. After the trial, the trial Court, by its Judgment dated 19.10.2023, found the petitioner guilty for the offence under Section 5(l) r/w. 6 of POCSO Act and 506(i) IPC and Section 11 r/w. 12 of POCSO Act convicted and sentenced him as under:

Sl.No	Sections	Punishment	Fine amount	Default
1.	5(l) r/w. 6 of POCSO Act	20 years rigorous imprisonment	Rs.25,000/-	2 years simple imprisonment
2.	506(i) IPC	2 years rigorous imprison	Rs.5,000/-	3 months simple imprisonment
3.	11 r/w. 12 of POCSO Act	2 years rigorous imprisonment	Rs.5,000/-	3 months simple imprisonment

Challenging the Judgment of conviction and sentence, the petitioner has filed an appeal before this Court in Crl.A.(MD)No.283 of 2024 and the same was



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admitted by this Court on 03.04.2024. Earlier, the petitioner had moved a petition in Crl.M.P.(MD)No.4077 of 2024 seeking to suspend the sentence imposed by the trial Court and the same was withdrawn by the petitioner on 27.02.2025 and therefore, this Court, by its order dated 27.02.2025, dismissed the petition as withdrawn.

2. This is the second petition filed by the petitioner on 05.08.2025 and it has not been prosecuted when the case was listed for hearing on 11.03.2026 and it was adjourned, at the request of the learned counsel for the petitioner. Even today, the learned counsel seeks for a short accommodation.

3. Considering the order passed in the earlier petition and also considering the fact that this petition is pending without any prosecution from 05.08.2025 and the petitioner is not inclined to proceed with this petition, this Criminal Miscellaneous Petition is dismissed.

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2. The Additional Public Prosecutor,
Madurai Bench of Madras High Court,
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