



Crl.O.P.(MD)No.22366 of 2022

BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED: 11.06.2026

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THE HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE P.DHANABAL

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.. Petitioner

Vs.

**1. The Inspector of Police
All Women Police Station
Pattukottai,
Thanjavur District**

**2. Bhuvaneswari
District Child Protection Unit,
Thanjavur, Thanjavur District**

3.XXXXXXXXXX

.. Respondents

PRAYER : Criminal Original Petition filed under Section 528 of BNSS, to call for the records and quash the charge sheet in SSC No.24 of 2020 on the file of the Sessions Judge, Special Court under POCSO Act, Thanjavur, Thanjavur District.

For Petitioner : Mr.C.Suresh Kannan

**For Respondents : Mr.P.Vetrivel
No.1 Government Advocate(Crl.Side)
No.3 : Mrs.V.Muthulakshmi**



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ORDER

This Criminal Original Petition has been filed to quash the charge sheet in SSC No.24 of 2020 on the file of the Sessions Judge, Special Court under POCSO Act, Thanjavur, Thanjavur District

2. When the matter is taken up for hearing today, the learned counsel appearing on either side and victim also present. Both the victim and the accused filed joint compromise memo stating that the petitioner and the victim got married. The victim and the petitioner are now living together as husband and wife and the victim has no objection to quash the charge sheet.

3.Today both the parties present and this Court also enquired the victim as well as the accused and both stated that they are living as husband and wife. Therefore it is appropriate to allow the petition based on the compromise arrived at between the parties.

4. At this juncture, it is relevant to refer the judgement of the Hon'ble Supreme Court in the case of ***K.Dhandapani Vs. The State by***



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the Inspector of Police reported in **2022 SCC Online SC 1056**, has held as follows:

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“In the peculiar facts and circumstances of this case, we are of the considered view that the conviction and sentence of the appellant who is maternal uncle of the prosecutrix deserves to be set aside in view of the subsequent events that have been brought to the notice of this Court. This Court cannot shut its eyes to the ground reality and disturb the happy family life of the appellant and the prosecutrix. We have been informed about the custom in Tamilnadu of the marriage of a girl with the maternal uncle”.

5.The legal position expressed by the Hon'ble Apex Court in the case of **Gian Singh vs. State of Punjab and another** reported in **(2012) 10 SCC 303** and **Parbatbhai Aahir @ Parbatbhai Vs. State of Gujarat** reported in **(2017) 9 SCC 641** were taken into consideration.

6. In view of the above said judgments and the fact that the petitioner and the victim are living together as husband and wife and though charges are grave in nature, considering the relationship between the parties and the amicable settlement between themselves this Court is of the view that the compromise is to be accepted. Therefore inorder to meet



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the ends of justice by invoking inherent power of this Court, this Criminal Original Petition stands allowed and the pending proceedings against the petitioner in SSC No.24 of 2020 on the file of the Sessions Judge, Special Court under POCSO Act, Thanjavur, Thanjavur District is hereby quashed.

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NCC : Yes/No
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To

1. The Special Court under POCSO Act, Thanjavur, Thanjavur District
2. The Inspector of Police
All Women Police Station
Pattukottai,
Thanjavur District
3. The Additional Public Prosecutor,
Madurai Bench of Madras High Court,
Madurai.



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