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BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED :05.02.2026

CORAM:

**THE HONOURABLE MR JUSTICE G.K. ILANTHIRAIYAN
AND
THE HONOURABLE MS.JUSTICE R. POORNIMA**

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... Petitioner

-VS-

1. The Principal Secretary to Government,
Home, Prohibition and Excise Department,
Secretariat, Chennai - 600 009.

2.The Commissioner of Police
Office of the Commissioner of Police
Madurai City, Madurai

3. The Superintendent of Prison
Madurai Central Prison
Madurai

... Respondents

PRAYER: Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying to issue a Writ of Habeas Corpus, calling for the entire records connected with the detention order of the second respondent in No.24/BCDFGISSV/2025 dated 15.07.2025 and quash the same and direct the respondents to produce the detenu



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by name Sathish Kumar @ Suruttai Sathish, son of Muthuraman, aged about 27 years, now detained as “Drug Offender” at Madurai Central Prison before this Court and set him at liberty forthwith.

For Petitioner : Dr.R.Alagumnai

For Respondents : Mr.T.Senthil Kumar
Additional Public Prosecutor

ORDER

(Order of the Court was made by **G.K. ILANTHIRAIYAN,J.**)

The petitioner is the wife of the detenu viz., Sathish Kumar @ Suruttai Sathish, son of Muthuraman, aged about 27 years . The detenu has been detained by the second respondent by his order in detention order in No.24/BCDFGISSSV/2025 dated 15.07.2025 holding him to be a "Drug Offender" as contemplated under Section 2(e) of Tamil Nadu Act 14 of 1982. The said order is under challenge in this habeas corpus petition.

2. We have heard the learned counsel appearing for the petitioner and the learned Additional Public Prosecutor appearing



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for the respondents. We have also perused the records produced by the Detaining Authority.

3. Though the learned counsel appearing for the petitioner raised several grounds, this Court is not inclined to interfere with the order of detention passed by the second respondent. That apart the detenu is a habitual offender and so far he is involved in 26 previous cases and he used to abscond from facing trial.

5. In view of the same, this Court finds no infirmity or illegality in the order passed by the second respondent, hence the petition stands dismissed.

[G.K.I., J.] [R.P., J.]
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