

IN THE COURT OF PRINCIPAL SESSIONS JUDGE, CHENNAI

**Present: Thiru.S.Karthikeyan, M.A., M.L., M.Sc., P.G.D.C.F.Sc., P.G.D.D.F.,
Principal Sessions Judge.**

Tuesday, the 28th day of April, 2026

Crl.M.P.No. 5/2025

in

SC.No. 425/2024

in

Crime No.293/2024

Mrs. Anjalai,

.. Petitioner/Accused-29

Vs.

1. State Rep. by
Assistant Commissioner of Police,
Koyambedu Police Range,
Chennai.

.. 1st Respondent/ IO

2. The Inspector of Police,
K-1, Sembium Police Station,
Chennai.

.. 2nd respondent /complainant

3. Veeramani.

.. 3rd respondent/defacto
complainant

This petition is coming on this day before this court for hearing in the presence of M/s.P.Muthamizh Selvakumar, A.Aravindraj, A.Esakkipandy, V.G.Nisok, R.Ramesh Kumar, K.Sarath Kumar, the Counsel for the petitioner and of the Senior Public Prosecutor for respondents police and upon hearing both sides, this Court delivered the following,

ORDER

The Petitioner/A29 has come up with present application seeking for discharge.

2. The petitioner, in her petition, submitted as below:

On 05.07.2024, the 2nd respondent received the intimation from the General Hospital, Perambur and the 2nd respondent rushed to the said hospital and received the written compliant from the 3rd respondent who was already admitted as in patient. In the written compliant, he narrated that he was a retired employee of Syndicate Bank since 2019. He is having 9 siblings. One of his brother deceased Armstrong was born as 9th child in the family and then, he was functioning as a State President in Bahujan Samaj Party of the State. The deceased used to stay at Venugopal Street Perambur. Thereafter, he started the construction of his new house. Hence, he was alternatively stayed at Sri Mahalakshmi Apartment, Ayanavaram for more than 2 years. The deceased was having wife and 1.5 year old female child. On the date of occurrence, on 05.07.2024 at about 07.00 hours, the deceased Mr. Armstrong and his friends, labourers were standing in the front of work site in order to monitor the construction work. All of a sudden, eight unknown person started to attack the deceased with the deadly weapons in which the deceased sustained cut injuries on his face, head, hand, and back head. The unknown persons repeatedly attacked the deceased. The deceased fell down on the ground. The 3rd respondent witnessed the entire episode of occurrence rushed to the place of occurrence in order to rescue his brother.

All of a sudden, the Accused has attacked the 2nd respondent in which he inflicted cut injuries on the head and shoulder. Further, the Accused pushed one Balaji on the construction excavation. He also suffered a bone fracture on the right leg. Further, the Accused attacked the driver of the deceased and inflicted cut injuries. Further, the Accused were escaped from the place while seeing the people are rushing

to the spot. Further, 108 Ambulance was called and the deceased was taken to the Apollo Hospital, Greams road. The doctor declared that the deceased was brought dead. In pursuant to the written complaint of the 3rd respondent, the 2nd respondent registered the case in Crime No.293 of 2024 under Sections 191(2), 191(3), 118(1), 103, 351(3) of B.N.S. 2023 and taken up for the investigation. The 1st respondent was appointed as investigation officer and proceeded with the investigation.

On 19.07.2024, the petitioner was arrested at the hands of the 2nd respondent and arrived as an Accused No.29. The 1st respondent has completed the investigation and laid the final report before the V Metropolitan Magistrate, Egmore and thereafter, it was committed to this Court. In the entire materials produced, none of the material produced or none of the witnesses investigated by the 1st respondent has spoken as against the petitioner. There were LW-1 to LW-237. However, no witnesses available in the List has spoken against the petitioner in connection to the above said allegation. The witness No. 137 who was an attesting witness at the time of recording of the petitioner's confession. Otherwise, there was no other single witnesses been produced so far with concrete, cogent material to implicate the petitioner in the case which is against the Procedure established by law and Article 21 of Constitution of India.

The 1st respondent, further produced 704 documents in the final report. There was no Cogent documents available in order to make out a charge against the petitioner. Document No.574 annexed in the final report is only a C.D.R. between the petitioner and A-15 or no other document has been produced by the 1st respondent in order to charge against the petitioner. It is highly unimaginable that relationship is

considered by the 1st respondent without due process of law to implicate the petitioner as an Accused. Except the petitioner's own confession no other concrete proof, documents, witness are available in the material placed by the 1st respondent. In the charges against the petitioner under section 49 of B.N.S.2023, there was no express, implied abetment of the case as the ingredients would be necessary for framing of the charges against the petitioner as like the proviso as offence is said to be committed in consequences of abetment, when it is committed in consequences of the instigation, or in pursuance of conspiracy, or with aid which constitute the abetment as like except her own confession no other material available for the consideration to frame charges against the petitioner. The confession is not sufficient to make out charges against a person and the same is against Article 20(3) of the constitution of India. Without any sufficient material or evidence there cannot be any charges framed against the petitioner. The 1st and 2nd respondent considered the relationship of the petitioner with one deceased Suresh @ Arcet Suresh and implicated the petitioner in this case or otherwise none of the evidence or concrete proof is available against the petitioner in order to rope in the case.

The material placed before this Hon'ble court is not a Co-related, Co-gent material to prosecute the petitioner as an Accused. The 1st respondent without making detailed investigation registered the case and not followed the procedure established by the code. The act of the respondent is in violation of the procedure established by the Bharatiya Nagarik Surakaha Sanhita -2023. It is a clear abuse of process of law.

The 1st respondent failed to note the principle laid down in *Linga Bhaskar vs Inspector of Police, Thoothukudi South Police Station*, 2018-2-L.W (Crl.) 309.

The charge sheet was filed without *Prima Facie* materials by the respondent and the same is liable to be quashed based on the findings in *Kamal Shivaji Pokarnekar v. Maharashtra*, (2019) 14 SCC 350, wherein it was held that:" Quashing the criminal proceedings is called for only in a case where the complaint does not disclose any offence, or is frivolous, vexatious, or oppressive. If the allegations set out in the complaint do not constitute the offence of which cognizance has been taken by the Magistrate, it is open to the High Court to quash the same. It is not necessary that a meticulous analysis of the case should be done before the Trial to find out whether the case would end in conviction or acquittal. If it appears on a reading of the complaint and consideration of the allegations therein, in the light of the statement made on oath that the ingredients of the offence

The 1st respondent failed to note that without cogent materials against the petitioner, the registration of case itself is an abuse of process of law, inherent powers can be exercised to prevent abuse of process of law. Petitioner relied on the decision in *Karunamoorthi v. State*, 2020 SCC OnLine Mad 6026 ".

The respondent failed to note that as per the verdict of *Neeharikka Infrastructure Pvt Ltd -Vs- State of Maharashtra* it is pointed out that where the allegation made against the Accused person to constitute of an offence alleged but there is either no legal evidence adduced in support of the case or the evidence adduced clearly or manifestly failed to prove the charges as per the verdict the FIR

contained mere allegation against the petitioner nothing to survive to keep the proceedings against the petitioner. The 1st respondent/Complainant failed to note that, the principle observed by the Hon'ble Supreme Court in State of Haryana and Ors. Vs. Bhajan Lal and Ors. In the allegations in the first information report and other materials, if any, accompanying the FIR do not disclose a cognizable offence, justifying an investigation by police officers under Section 156(1) of the Code except under an order of a Magistrate within the purview of Section 155(2) of the Code. Therefore, the Petitioner prayed that this Court may be pleased to discharge her from all the charges in S.C.No.425 of 2024.

3. The respondent in its counter contended as below.

The Petition filed by the petitioner/A29 is bereft of merits and the same is neither maintainable in law nor sustainable in facts and deserves to be dismissed. The Petitioner is arrayed as A29 in the final report filed by this respondent in SC No.425/2024. The petitioner/A-29 is the second wife of one late A+ Category rowdy Arcot Suresh. She also was of the belief that Late Mr.Amstrong was responsible for the death of Arcot suresh. She wanted to take revenge for the death of Arcot Suresh. Therefore, the petitioner/A-29 hatched a conspiracy along with Ponnai Balu/A-5, Arul/A-4, Porkodi/A-15 to murder Mr. Armstrong. Thereafter, in December 2023 when Arul/A-4 informed her in person that he and his gang have decided to do away with Mr. Armstrong she approved the plan and instigated Arul/A-4 to murder Armstrong. She was arrested on 19.07.2024 after Ponnai Balu/A-5 rendered his confessions. [L.D No.244)

The prosecution has produced the confession rendered by the petitioner/A-29 and (L.D.No.259). A cellphone was seized based on the confession and the prosecution have obtained the CDR and CAF of Cell No.9176753201 used by the petitioner/A-29 [L.D No. 564 & 630]. All the above materials point out to the involvement and the complicity of the petitioner in the offence. There are enough materials available on record before this court. There is sufficient ground for proceeding against the petitioner/A-29. The petitioner/A29 has clearly entered into a criminal conspiracy with the other Accused and pursued the common object to do an illegal act of murdering the deceased Mr. Armstrong. She has been a party to the criminal conspiracy to commit the murder of Mr. Armstrong not stopping with this she has also abetted the commission of the offence and as a consequence, the offence was committed. She has instigated and assisted the other Accused to go ahead with the murder of Mr. Armstrong. There is sufficient material to proceed against the petitioner/A29 for offences under section 61(2(a) r/w 103(1), 103(1) r/w 49 BNS and it cannot be said or contented that there is no sufficient ground for proceeding against petitioner/A29 and discharge her from the above case.

At the stage of framing charge, it has to be only seen and considered by this Court whether there is sufficient ground to proceed further against the Accused. At this stage, the evidentiary value or merits of the evidence cannot be tested or scrutinized. The Accused also cannot plead their defence or version and seek a discharge from the case. It is only necessary at this stage to decide whether there is

any ground to proceed further against the Accused or whether the charge against the Accused is groundless.

In this case, the Accused before this court are charged with heinous and serious offences. The Accused in this case have conspired and murdered the deceased Mr. Amstrong who was a popular political leader in the state of Tamil Nadu. Therefore, in the above circumstances the mandate of law and interest of justice both required that the respective charges with which the Accused in this case are charged with are framed and the trial of the case is conducted on merits in accordance with law. Hence, it is prayed to dismiss the application for discharge filed by the petitioner/Accused.

4. Both side heard. Petition, Affidavit and counter are perused. The prosecution materials are perused.

5. Point for determination is

Are there materials available as against the petitioner/A15 to proceed to framing of charges against her or not?

6. ANSWER:

6.1. The learned counsel for the petitioner submitted that the investigation agency has filed final report before the learned V Metropolitan Magistrate and the same was taken cognizable and committed to this court. The prosecution has examined LW1 to LW237 and produced 704 documents before this court.

However, none of the witnesses have deposed as against the petitioner. Except the confession of the petitioner, nothing is available on record to implicate the petitioner in this crime. The confession cannot be translated into acceptable evidence during trial. Hence, prays for discharge.

6.2. The learned counsel for the petitioner relied on the decision of the Hon'ble High Court in Linga Bhaskar Vs. Inspector of Police, Thoothukudi South Police Station, Kamal Sivaji Pokarnekhar Vs. State of Maharashtra, (2019) 14 SCC 350. Further, he relied on the Hon'ble Apex Court, reported in Karunamoorthi Vs. State, 2020 SCC online Mad 6026, Neeharikka Infrastructure Pvt Ltd Vs. State of Maharashtra, Haryana and ors, Vs. Bhajan Lal and Ors.

7. Per Contra, the learned Senior Special Public Prosecutor submitted that the Petition filed by the petitioner/A29 is bereft of merits and the same is neither maintainable in law nor sustainable in facts and deserves to be dismissed. The Petitioner is arrayed as A29. The petitioner is the second wife of one late A+ Category rowdy Arcot Suresh. She also was of the belief that Late Mr. Amstrong was responsible for the death of Arcot suresh. She wanted to take revenge for the death of Arcot Suresh. Therefore, the petitioner hatched a conspiracy along with Ponnai Balu/A-5, Arul/A-4, Porkodi/ A-15 to murder Mr. Amstrong. Thereafter, in December 2023 when Arul/A-4 informed her in person that he and his gang have decided to do away with Mr. Amstrong she approved the plan and instigated Arul/A-4 to murder Amstrong. She was arrested on 19.07.2024 after Ponnai Balu/A-5's confession [L.D No.244).

8. The prosecution has produced the confessions of the petitioner. A cellphone was seized based on the confession and the prosecution have obtained the CDR and CAF of Cell No. 9176753201 used by the petitioner/A-29 [L.D No. 564 & 630]. All the above materials point out the involvement and the complicity of the petitioner in the offence. There are enough materials available on record before this court. There is sufficient ground for proceeding against the petitioner. The petitioner has clearly entered into a criminal conspiracy with the other Accused and pursued the common object to do an illegal act of murdering the deceased Mr. Armstrong. She has been a party to the criminal conspiracy to commit the murder of Mr. Armstrong not stopping with this she has also abetted the commission of the offence and as a consequence the offence was committed. She has instigated and assisted the other Accused to go ahead with the murder of Mr. Armstrong. There is sufficient material to proceed against the petitioner for offences under section 61(2(a) r/w 103(1), 103(1) r/w 49 BNS and it cannot be said or contented that there is no sufficient ground for proceeding against petitioner and discharge her from the above case.

9. The learned Senior Special Public Prosecutor further submitted that at the stage of framing charge, it has to be only seen and considered by this court whether there is sufficient ground to proceed further against the Accused. At this stage, the evidentiary value or merits of the evidence cannot be tested or scrutinized. The Accused also cannot plead their defence or version and seek a discharge from the case. It is only necessary at this stage to see whether there is any ground to proceed further against the Accused or whether the charge against the Accused is groundless. In this case, the

Accused before this Hon'ble court are charged with heinous and serious offences. The Accused in this case have conspired and murdered the deceased Mr. Armstrong who was a popular political leader in the state of Tamil Nadu. Therefore in the above circumstances, the mandate of law and interest of justice both required that the respective charges with which the Accused are charged with are framed and the trial of the case is conducted on merits in accordance with law. Hence, it is prayed to dismiss the application for discharge filed by the petitioner and thus render justice.

10. This court has given its thoughtful consideration to the rival submissions put forth by either side. On careful perusal of records, it is found that one Mr. Armstrong was murdered by the co-Accused on 05.07.2024. The respondent police conducted investigation and laid final report before the V Metropolitan Magistrate. The V Metropolitan magistrate has taken cognizance of the said case and committed the said case to this court.

11. It is the case of the prosecution that the deceased Armstrong is Tamilnadu State President of Bahujan Samaj Party. He was residing at Ayanavaram and was supervising the construction work of his house under construction at Venugopal Swamy Temple Street. A1 Nagendiran is a convict and undergoing punishment at Central Prison, Vellore in connection with murder of one Stanley Shanmugam. A1 and A2 Sambava Senthil got acquaintance and became close. In 2015, North Chennai District Secretary of Bahujan Samaj Party Mr. Thennarasu was murdered.

At the instance of the deceased Armstrong, a protest was staged and therefore, the said case was transferred to CBCID in which A1 was also arrested.

12. It is the further case of the prosecution that in 2023, one T.Sekar, a member of Bahujan Samaj Party and also an Advocate was arranging to sell a property situate at Orakadu on behalf of M/s. Harihant Foundation, the 3rd Accused Aswathaman approached him and threatened him to sell the said 10 acre property to him. But, the said Sekar refused to execute the sale deed. While so, on 22.02.2023, A1 who came to Rela Hospital, Chrompet for treatment, threatened the said Sekar over phone. In this connection, the deceased Armstrong gave instructions to the said Sekar to give complaint and at the instructions of the deceased Armstrong, A3 apologized to the said Sekar and thereafter, the said complaint was withdrawn. Further, A3 was under the impression that the deceased Armstrong is the reason for his arrest in a case given by one Jeyaprakash at Meenjur that A3 has threatened him demanding Rowdy Mamool. In view of the said criminal cases, A3 did not get ticket to contest in general election. Therefore, A1 and A3 had developed enmity with the deceased Armstrong.

13. It is the further case of the prosecution that In 2005, the mother of A2, Mrs.Rajeshwari has purchased a house at 4th street, A.K. Swami Nagar, Kilpauk. In the said building, a Cable TV operator business was carried on in the name and style of 'Happy Entertainment Network', by the persons close to the deceased Armstrong. They refused to vacate the said premises. In this connection, there were

disputes between the persons close to deceased Armstrong and A2. Only after giving a sum of Rs. 12 Lakhs, the persons close to the deceased Armstrong had vacated the premises. Therefore, A2 has developed enmity with the deceased Armstrong.

14. It is the further case of the prosecution that one Arcot Suresh, who is the brother of A5/Ponnaibabu, and one Otraikan Jeyabalu, who is the friend of deceased Armstrong, were friends. Due to certain enmity, on 18.08.2023, Arcot Suresh was murdered by a persons close to Jayabal. The relatives and friends of Arcod Suresh viz., A5 Ponnaibabu, A4 Arul, A6 Ramu @ vinoth, A8 Thirumalai and A9 Manna @ Manivannan believed that the deceased is behind the murder of their relative and friend Arcod Suresh. Therefore, A5, with the common intention to commit murder of deceased Armstrong and Jeyabal, conspired with his relatives and friends, A4, A6, A7, A8, A9 and A13. When this conspiracy was shared with A15 Porkodi wife of Arcot Suresh, she has also joined in the said conspiracy and handed over 10 sovereign bracelet belongs to Arcot suresh to A6 as sheet money. A4 has pledged the same and received a sum of Rs. 3.26 lakhs and prceeded with the conspiracy to the cause the murder of deceased Armstrong.

15. It is the further case of the prosecution that having known that, A1 and A3 have prior enmity with deceased Armstrong, on 09.04.2024 A4, A7 and others had met A3, under guise of discussing a land disputes in connection with one Sudhakar and thereafter, A4 had revealed the conspiracy they hatched to cause the murder of the

deceased to A3. On 24.04.2024, A1 has come to Rela hospital for treatment. A3 has informed about the conspiracy hatched by A4 and others to cause the murder of deceased Armstrong and sought his approval. A1 has also offered to extend his support to cause the murder of Armstrong as he is the hindrance for their political growth. On 01.05.2024, A3 has informed A4 about their support for the murder of deceased Armstrong.

16. It is the further case of the prosecution that having known the privious enmity A2 had with the deceased, A4 approached A17, Hariharan, who is close to A2 A17 had contacted A2 over telegram app and informed about the conspiracy hatched by A4 and others. A2 had also agreed to join the said conspiracy and offered to extend his support by providing money and country bombs etc. In furtherance of the said conspiracy, A2 has arranged a sum of Rs.4 Lakhs through his aide A18 Mottakrishnan and handed over to A17. In the end of May 2024 A17 handed over the same to A4 in the presence of A20 Sathiskumar. A4 used the said 4 Lakhs and a sum of Rs. 3.56 Lakhs obtained by pledging the bracelet of Arcot Suresh for executing the said conspiracy.

17. It is the further case of the prosecution that on 15.04.2024 at around 02.30 p.m., A18 has handed over a sum of Rs. 9.50 Lakhs and two knives to A21 Shiva near Madras High Court. A18 informed A21 that the said money and weapon are meant for causing the death of said Armstrong and he has to hand over the same to the

person nominated when he was instructed to do so. The said sum of Rs. 9.50 Lakhs and two knives were recovered by the police during investigation.

18. It is the further case of the prosecution that A29, Anjalai, the 2nd wife of Arcot Suresh, had gone to the death of Arcot Suresh, A5, A4 and his associates were talking with each other that they have to do something who is responsible for the murder of Arcot Suresh. At that time, A29, told them to approach her if they need any help in this regard. Further, in December 2023, A4 revealed the conspiracy hatched with other Accused to A29 and in turn A29 induced A4 to cause the murder of Armstrong and thereby abetted the said crime.

19. It is the further case of the prosecution that in 2018, A22 Pudhur Appu got 4 country bombs from one Mylapore Sivakumar and concealed the same in the godown belonged to Moses who is the relative of A26 Rajesh. On 14.06.2024, as per the instructions of A2, out of the said 4 country bombs, 2 Country Bombs were arranged to be handed over to A17 & A18 through A23 to A28 by A22 at the Omanthoorar Government Hospital Parking. Accordingly, on 14.06.2024 A23 to A28 handed over the same to A17 and A18 by keeping the same in a Lunch Bag. A23 to A28 were informed that the said country bombs were required for the purpose of causing death of a big shot. At the end of November 2022, A2 has handed over a gun and 4 bullets to A22 through some unidentifiable persons. In June 2024, A2 contacted A22 over telegram App and asked A22 to handed over the said gun and 4 bullets to the person assigned by him for murdering the deceased and A22 has also agreed to the same.

The said gun and 4 bullets were recovered from A22 at Shakthi Depot belong to one Shankar on 24.09.2024.

20. It is the further case of the prosecution that A17 and A18 handed over the said lunch bag with country bomb to A4 in the presence of A20 near Ambedkar Statue situate within the campus of the Madras High Court. A4 and A20 have taken the same to a drug de addiction center by name 'Grace Foundation' where A4 and A14 were hiding themselves. A7 created yet another country bomb and placed the same in the said lunch bag. A17, who used to frequently visit A30 at her house, informed the conspiracy hatched against the deceased to A30 but she has not revealed the said illegal design to the police.

21. It is the further case of the prosecution that in furtherance of the said conspiracy, on the birth day of Arcot Suresh i.e 05.07.2024, at around 07.15 pm, A4 to A13 assembled unlawfully and caused the death of the Armstrong by attacking him- 17 - with knives and caused injuries to two witnesses by name balaji and Nesamoorthy who attempted to prevent the attack on the deceased and thereby attempted to cause their death. Further, they threatened the construction workers who have come to the rescue of the deceased Armstrong.

22. The petitioner herein is arrayed as A29, and the allegations against the petitioner is that the petitioner is the 2nd wife of the deceased Arcot Suresh. The said Arcot Suresh was murdered by the close aides of one Mr. Jayabal. The said relatives and friends of the said Arcot Suresh were under the impression that the deceased

Armstrong is behind the said murder. Therefore, they conspired together to do away with the deceased Armstrong. While so, the petitioner herein, being the 2nd wife of the deceased Arcot Suresh, attended the death ceremony of the deceased Arcot Suresh. In the said ceremony, A4 and A5 and their associates, were talking with each other, that they have to do something to whom is responsible for the death of Arcot Suresh. At that time, the petitioner herein told them, to approach her if they need any help. Further, in December 2023, A4 revealed the conspiracy hatched with the other Accused to A29, and in turn A29 induced A4 to cause the murder of the deceased Armstrong and thereby abetted the said crime. The learned counsel for the petitioner submitted that except, the confession of petitioner herself and document No. 574, the CDR between the petitioner and A15, no other materials available to show that the petitioner is involved in the above crime.

23. The learned Senior Special Public Prosecutor relied on the decisions of the Hon'ble Apex Court in Vishnu Kumar Shukla reported in 2023 15 SCC 502, the decision reported in (2014) 11 SCC 709, DSP Vs. Soundararaju 2022 Live law (SC) 741 and 2022 SCC 657 with regard to approach to discharge petition.

24. The learned Senior Special Public Prosecutor has submitted that the petitioner is the 2nd wife of the deceased Arcot Suresh and she attended the death ceremony of deceased Arcot Suresh. At that time, she was reported about the plan of hatched by the other co-Accused that they have to retaliate the murder of deceased Arcot Suresh. The confession of A5 make its very clear that the Co-Accused discussed

the plan of conspiracy with the petitioner also. Further, from the confession of A29, it is very clear that A4 is also frequently visited the house of A29 and discussed about the plan.

25. It is well established Principles of law that, since the conspiracy is hatched in secrecy no direct evidence would be available. The conspiracy can be inferred only through the circumstance proved by the prosecution. The circumstances projected discloses the involvement of the petitioner herein. In a case of conspiracy, even if the role played by the petitioner is small one, she is answerable to the deeds and misdeeds of her co-conspirators.

26. From the submission of the learned Senior Special Public Prosecutor, it is found that the prosecution projected witnesses LW1 to LW237 and produced 704 documents. The above witnesses are to be examined and the documents to be marked through them. The circumstances which leads to the conspiracy hatched and the involvement of the co-conspirators can be proved only during trial.

27. Apart from that, the prosecution relied on CDR wherein the calls between the petitioner and the 1st wife of the deceased Arcot Suresh namely Porkodi were found which is prima facie sufficient to presume that they have discussed the plan of murder of the deceased Armstrong. The investigation agency collected the phone from the petitioner herein also. Therefore, there are materials to presume that the petitioner herein is the one who has also involved in the conspiracy. Since there are

sufficient materials available as against the petitioner herein, this court is of the considered view that she is not entitled to discharge. Accordingly, this petition is dismissed.

28. Result:

In the result, this petition is dismissed.

Dictated to the stenographer, transcribed by him, corrected and pronounced by me in the open Court, on this the 28th day of April, 2026.

**Principal Sessions Judge
Chennai**