



In the Court of the I Additional Sessions Judge, Madurai
Present: Thiru.S. John Sundarlal Suresh, B.Sc., M.L.,

I Additional Sessions Judge

Dated this the 27th day of July 2026, Monday

S.C.No.502/2025

The State through its,
Inspector of Police,
K.Pudur Police Station in
Crime No.2618/2020
U/s 25(1A) of Arms Act

... Complainant

/Vs/

1. Santhanarajan,
S/o Ganesan

2. Saravanakumar,
S/o Karuppiiah

... 1st and 2nd Accused

JUDGMENT

The case of the prosecution is that when the police personnel are involved in the patrol duty they allegedly found that the 1st and 2nd accused possessed the two swords unlawfully with an intention to snatch the amount from the business people who have come to the Mattuthavani paddy shop and thereby committed the offence u/s 25(1A) of Arms Act.

It appears from the Athatchi that there is no reference about the measurements about the swords said to have been seized from the 1st and 2nd accused. Under these circumstances, the swords which are allegedly seized from the 1st and 2nd accused



without prescribing the size and length would not constitute the offence in terms of the schedule of the Arms Act. Hence as held in the judgment in **Balamanikandan - Vs- The state represented by the Inspector of Police, Annanagar police Station, Madurai City, Madurai District (Crime No.604/2024) and another by the Hon'ble Madurai Bench of Madras High Court, dated 18.02.2026** published in internet that there is no prima facie material available to proceed against the 1st and 2nd accused and as such, they are liable to be discharged under Sec.227 of Cr.P.C.

In the result, 1st and 2nd accused are discharged, the property namely swords (வாள்) – 2 (Nos) are yet to be received from the committal court by this court and the learned Judicial Magistrate No.6, Madurai is required to destroy the same after the appeal time.

I Additional District & Sessions Judge,
Madurai.