

**IN THE COURT OF DISTRICT AND SESSIONS JUDGE,
MAYILADUTHURAI.**

Present: Dr. L.S. Sathiyamurthy, M.A., M.L., Ph.D.,
District and Sessions Judge, Mayiladuthurai.
State of Tamil Nadu.

Thursday, this the 12th day of March 2026.

Crl.M.P. No. 354/2026

Saravanan, S/o. Arumugam

...Petitioner/Accused.

Vs

State through the Inspector of Police,

AWPS., Mayiladuthurai in Cr. No. 26/2025

...Respondent/Complainant.

U/s. 8, 7, 5(l), 5(n) of POCSO Act 2019 and Sec. 351(2) of BNS.

This petition came up today for the hearing before in the presence of Thiru. R. Sekar, Advocate for the petitioner and Tmt. A. Aruna on behalf of the Public Prosecutor for the State and after careful consideration of the materials available on record and the submissions made on behalf of the parties, this court passed the following:

ORDER

1. This is a petition filed U/s. 483 of BNSS, 2023.

2. Heard, the learned counsel for the petitioner and the learned Public Prosecutor.

3. The learned counsel for the petitioner/accused would submit that the respondent police has originally registered a case against the petitioner for the offences U/s. 8, 7, 5(l), 5(n) of POCSO Act 2019 and Sec. 351(2) of BNS. The petitioner was subsequently arrested on suspicion and remanded to judicial custody on 24.02.2026 and is in judicial custody for the past 17 days. Due to civil dispute, the defacto complainant has given false complaint against the petitioner. The petitioner has no connection with this case. Investigation is completed and charge sheet filed. The case is taken on file SSC No. 18/2026 is assigned. The petitioner's father died on 25.02.2026 and the petitioner should perform in the final rites of his father. The petitioner is innocent and he did not commit any offences as alleged by the

prosecution. The petitioner is ready to abide by any conditions that would be imposed by this Court and prayed to grant bail to the petitioner.

4. The learned Public Prosecutor submitted that the victim girl namely Nishanthini, aged about 13 years and the petitioner namely Saravanan who is the paternal uncle of the victim girl. As per the case of prosecution, the petitioner sexually abused the victim girl and threatened her with dire consequences. The father of the victim girl appeared before this court and objected to grant bail to the petitioner. Offence committed by the petitioner is grave in nature and objected to grant bail to the petitioner.

5. This court carefully considered the submission made by either side. The petitioner was remanded to judicial custody on 24.02.2026 for the alleged offence Punishable U/s. 8, 7, 5(l), 5(n) of POCSO Act 2019 and Sec. 351(2) of BNS. When the bail application came up for hearing the victim girl's father appeared and filed his objections in writing stated that if the accused is enlarged on bail, he would tamper with the evidence. The accused is none other than the paternal uncle son of the victim's father. The victim girl is 13 years old school going girl. Considering the relationship between the accused and the victim girl, this court is inclined to dismiss this petition.

In the result, this petition is dismissed.

Pronounced by me in the Open Court on the 12th day of March 2026.

District and Sessions Judge,
Mayiladuthurai.

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1. The Inspector of Police, A.W.P.S. Mayiladuthurai.
2. The Petitioner through his counsel.