



**IN THE COURT OF THE PRINCIPAL DISTRICT AND SESSIONS JUDGE,
PUDUKKOTTAI.**

PRESENT : Thiru.K.Poorana Jeya Anand, M.A., M.L.,
Principal District Judge, Pudukkottai.

Saturday, the 07th day of March, 2026.
(Thiruvalluvarandu 2057 Sri Visuvavasu Varudam Masi Thingal 23rd day)

Indian Divorce Original Petition No.31/2024

(CNR No.TNPD01 001822 2024)

Shalini @ Baby Shalini

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Petitioner / Wife

versus

Manickam

...

Respondent / Husband

This Indian Divorce Original Petition having come up for final hearing before me on 23.02.2026 in the presence of Mr.P.Vimal Arockiya Joseph, Learned Advocate appearing for the Petitioner and the respondent remained exparte and upon hearing the arguments on the side of the petitioner and upon perusing the oral and documentary evidence of the petitioner and having stood over for consideration till date, this Court passed the following...

ORDER

1) This Indian Divorce Original Petition has been filed by the petitioner u/s 10(1)(X) of Divorce Act praying to pass a decree of divorce dissolving the marriage that took place on 14.09.2009 between her and the respondent at Arockiya Annai Church, Keeranur, Pudukkottai District.



2) **The case of the petitioner is as follows:-**

2.1) The marriage between the petitioner and the respondent was solemnized on 14.09.2009 at at Arockiya Annai Church, Keeranur, Pudukkottai District as per Christian rites and rituals.

2.2) Out of their wedlock two male child were born namely John Megnish and Milban. After their marriage, they lived separately in Viralimalai for six months. After the marriage, the respondent treated the petitioner disrespectfully. Subsequently, as per the petitioner's wish, they started living in a joint family at the respondent's house.

2.3) The respondent's family members also harassed the petitioner. After two months, the petitioner and the respondent went to the petitioner's parents house. While staying there, the petitioner's first child was born. Two months after the child was born, the respondent went to Singapore.

2.4) The respondent scolded the petitioner as follows:-

மனுதாரர் எது கேட்டாலும் உன்னிடம் எதுவும் சொல்ல வேண்டும் என்ற அவசியம் இல்லை என்றும், உனக்கு வெட்கம், மானம், சூடு, சொரணை எதுவும் இருக்க கூடாது என்றும் உன்னால் ஒரு பைசாவுக்கும் பிரயோஜனம் இல்லை என்றும், நீ எல்லாம் உயிருடன் இருக்கவே லாயக்கு இல்லாத ஆள் செத்து தொலை என்றும் கூறினார்.

2.5) It came to know that the respondent had connection with another woman through facebook. It also came to light that he had been speaking very intimately



with that woman. The respondent would beat and torture the petitioner, telling her, "you are just an orphan with no one to support you". The petitioner with an intention to protecting her children, the petitioner learned tailoring and stitches clothes for those who need them.

2.6) The respondent began to suspect the petitioner. The respondent attacked the petitioner aggressively without any reason, biting her finger and caused grievous injury. During these 15 years, the respondent had caused mental and physical cruelties against the petitioner. Therefore, the petitioner sent a divorce notice on 09.01.2024 and the same was received by the respondent, but he failed to reply. Hence, the petitioner has come forward with this petition for divorce.

3) Respondent called absent, set exparte.

4) To prove the claim of the petitioner, she has filed her proof affidavit and examined herself as PW1 and marriage registration certificate, legal notice issued by the petitioner to the respondent, Returned Advocate notice, Xerox copy of Aadhar card of petitioner were marked as Ex.P1 to Ex.P4. One Rita Arockiya Mary was examined as PW2.

5) **The point that arises for determination is that**

Whether the petitioner is entitled for a relief of divorce as prayed for ?

Point:

6) Heard the counsel for petitioner. Records perused.



7) On careful perusal of the averments and the documents, the marriage between the petitioner and the respondent was solemnized on 14.09.2009 at Arockiya Annai church as per Christian rites and rituals as evidenced by Ex.P1.

8) As per the case of the petitioner, after their marriage, they lived separately in Viralimalai for six months. After the marriage, the respondent treated the petitioner disrespectfully. Subsequently, as per the petitioner's wish, they started living in a joint family at the respondent's house. The respondent's family members also harassed the petitioner. It came to be known that the respondent had connection with another woman through facebook. It also came to light that he had been speaking very intimately with that woman. The respondent beated and tortured the petitioner, telling her, "you are just an orphan with no one to support you". The respondent attacked the petitioner aggressively without any reason, biting her finger and caused grievous injury. During these 15 years, the respondent had caused mental and physical cruelties against the petitioner. Therefore, the petitioner sent a divorce notice on 09.01.2024 and the same was received by the respondent, but he failed to reply.

9) The Learned Counsel for the petitioner stated that the marriage was irretrievably broken down between the parties and there is no chance of reunion. In such a circumstance, since the respondent did not appear before this court to object the allegations put forth by the petitioner, this court has no other option except to



grant divorce on the ground of cruelty and proceeds to allow this petition as prayed for. Thus, the point is answered accordingly.

10) In the result, this petition is allowed granting a decree of divorce dissolving the marriage between the petitioner and the respondent solemnized on 14.09.2009 at Arockiya Annai Church, Keeranur, Pudukkottai District u/s 10(1) (X) of Divorce Act. No costs.

This Order is directly dictated to Stenographer Grade-III of this Court, typed by him directly in Computer, corrected and pronounced by me in open court, this the 07th day of March, 2026.

**Principal District Judge,
Pudukkottai.**

Witnesses examined on the side of the Petitioner:

1. PW1 Shalini @ Baby Shalini, W/o.Manickam. (Petitioner)
2. PW2 Rita Arockiya Mary, D/o.Chandrasekaran

Documents marked on the side of the Petitioner:

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| Ex.P1 | 14.09.2009 | Original Marriage Registration Certificate. |
| Ex.P2 | 09.01.2024 | Advocate Notice |
| Ex.P3 | -- | Returned Advocate Notice |
| Ex.P4 | -- | Xerox copy of Aadhar card of petitioner. |

**Principal District Judge,
Pudukkottai.**