

**In the Court of the Additional District Judge / Presiding Officer,
Special Court Under Essential Commodities Act, Thanjavur**

Present: Tmt. A. Deepa, B.A., M.L.,
(Sessions Judge, Mahalir Neethimandram, Thanjavur)
Additional District Judge/Presiding Officer
Special Court under Essential Commodities
Act, Thanjavur(FAC)

Thursday, the 23rd day of July 2026
(*Thiruvalluvarandu 2057 Paraabava Varudam Aadi Thingal 7th day*)

Criminal Miscellaneous Petition No.4136 of 2026
(CNR No.TNTJ010060172026)
in
SC.No.269/2024

Panneerselvam, 59
S/o.Sangilimuthu,
South street,
Allur,
Thiruvaiyaru Taluk,
Thanjavur District.

Petitioner / owner of the vehicle

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VS

State represented by the
Inspector of Police,
Thanjavur Taluk police station,
Cr.No.28/2024

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Respondent/Complainant

This Criminal Miscellaneous Petition came up for final hearing before this Court in the presence of Thiru.A.Vikramdharma, Advocate for the petitioner/owner of the vehicle and Thiru.G.Sudhakar, Special Public Prosecutor appearing for the Respondent, on hearing both, as well on perusing the material records and having stood over for consideration till this day, this Court delivers the following:

ORDER

1. Petition filed by the owner of the two wheeler with the Reg.No.TN.49-CF-9519 for the return as the case ended in an acquittal on 17.04.2026.

2. **Petition Averments:**

The vehicle being a two wheeler with Reg.No.TN.49-CF-9519 Pulsar was seized by the respondent police in Cr.No.28/2024. This vehicle was parked before this petitioner's relative's house and it is lying without any use. On 17.04.2026 the case ended in an acquittal and the court has ordered the return of the vehicle and other material objects produced before the court. Hence, it is now necessary to return the vehicle permanently to this petitioner and if the vehicle is not used, it cannot be used and it will lose its value.

3. The respondent police has given an reply that they intend to prefer an appeal against the order of acquittal before Hon'ble High court and have objected to the return of the vehicle.

4. Point for consideration:

- i. Whether the prayer of the petitioner seeking return of the two wheeler after the disposal of the case is to be granted?

Considering the submissions made on either side, this court orders as follows:

5. The petitioner is the owner of the two wheeler which was seized by the respondent and is exhibited as MO.1 in this case. The Sessions case has ended in an acquittal on 17.04.2026. As per the judgment, the owner of the vehicle is permitted to take possession of the property after the expiry of appeal time. When the date of judgment is considered and as well the date this application has been filed on 25.06.2026 and taken up on 07.07.2026, on which date the period or the time limit to prefer an appeal has not expired. Further, the respondent has given a reply that they intend to prefer an appeal. Hence, at present the application seeking the return of the vehicle is dismissed.

Dictated to the Steno typist directly typed by her, corrected and pronounced by me in open court on this the 23rd day of July 2026.

Additional District Judge/Presiding Officer,
Special Court under E.C. Act, Thanjavur.(FAC)