

I ADDITIONAL DISTRICT & SESSIONS COURT, THOOTHUKUDI

Present:- Thiru. M.Thandavan, B.L.,

I Additional District & Sessions Judge,

Thoothukudi

Wednesday, the 1st day of July 2026**S.C.No.2/2020****(CNR No. TNTT01 – 000433 - 2020)**

Name of the Committing Court and .. Judicial Magistrate No.I, Thoothukudi
Case Number. PRC.No. 17/2018

Name of the Police Station and .. Puthiyamputhur Police Station,
Crime Number. Cr. No. 10/2017

State/Name of the Complainant .. Inspector of Police,
Puthiyamputhur Police Station

Name of the accused .. 1. Ramachandran (Age 60)(Died)
S/o. Thangavel
2. Kadarkaraiyandi (Age 57)
S/o. Karuppanan
3. Kirubanathamurugan (Age 39)
S/o. Paulraj
4. Velsamy (Age 57)
S/o. Gurusamy
5. Muthaiah (Age 49)
S/o. Sanmugavel
6. Murugan (Age 58)
7. Kaviyarasan, (Age 27)
S/o. Murugan

8. Kodikattiraja (Age 23) (Died)
S/o. Vijayapandi
9. Muthuselvam (Age 23)
S/o. Vijayapandi
10. Ganesan, (Age 33) (Died)
S/o. Gurusamy
11. Eswaran, (Age 45)
S/o. Muniyandi
12. Kasirajan (Age 51)
S/o. Ramasamy
13. Nagaraj (Age 41) (Died)
S/o. Karuppasamy
14. Muthuvel (Age 38)
S/o. Velayutham
15. Vishwanath Ramkumar (Age 27)
S/o. Velsamy
16. Ajithkumar (Age 24)
S/o. Velsamy
17. Marimuthu (Age 23)
S/o. Muthiah
18. MathanPrakash (Age 24)
S/o. Manokaran
19. Arumugasamy (Age 23)(Died)
S/o. Nagaraj

Charges framed against the accused :-

1 st Charge (Accused 1 to 7, 9, 11 to 19)	.. Criminal Conspiracy (Punishable u/s. 120 B I.P.C.)
2 nd Charge (Accused 1 to 7, 9, 11 to 19)	.. Rioting armed with deadly weapons (Punishable u/s. 148 I.P.C.)
3 rd Charge (Accused 6, 9, 12, 15, 17 to 19)	.. Committing murder (Punishable u/s. 342 I.P.C.)
4 th Charge (Accused 7, 11, 13 and 16)	.. Committing murder (Punishable u/s. 302 I.P.C.)
5 th Charge (Accused 1 to 5)	.. Deals with punishment for murder committed by any member of an unlawful assembly (Punishable u/s. 302 r/w 149 I.P.C.)
6 th Charge (14th Accused)	.. Attempt to murder (Punishable u/s. 307(2 counts) I.P.C.)

Plea of the accused :

1 st Charge	.. Not guilty
2 nd Charge	.. Not guilty
3 rd Charge	.. Not guilty
4 th Charge	.. Not guilty
5 th Charge	.. Not guilty
6 th Charge	.. Not guilty

Finding of the Judge :

.. **In the result,** the accused 2 to 7, 9 and 11, 12, 14 to 18 are hereby found not guilty for the offence punishable u/s.120 B and 148 IPC, the accused 6, 9, 12, 15, 17 and 18 are found not guilty u/s.302 IPC , the accused 7,11 and 16 are hereby found not guilty for the offence punishable u/s. 302 (2 counts) IPC and the accused 2 to 5 are hereby found not guilty for the offence punishable u/s.302(2 counts) r/w 149 IPC and the accused 2 to 7, 9 and 11, 12, 14 to 18 are hereby acquitted u/s.235(1) Cr.P.C.

The charge against the accused 1, 8, 10, 13 and 19 abated as died.

The bail bond executed by the accused shall stand cancelled after the lapse of appeal period or after the appeal if any.

The material objects remanded in this case in P.R. No.20/2020, M.O.1 to M.O.22 are useless, it is hereby ordered to destroy the same after the appeal period or after the appeal if any.

This case came up before this Court on 03.03.2026 for final hearing in the presence of the Additional Public Prosecutor for the State and Thiru.D. Raja

Prabaharan, Advocate for the accused 2 to 7, Thitu.P. Senthilkumar, Advocate for the accused 9, 11, 12, 14 to 18 and A1, A8, A10, A13, A19 died and upon hearing both sides and upon perusing the case records and having stood over till this date for the consideration of this Court, this Court delivers the following:-

JUDGMENT

The case of the prosecution is that the 1st accused is residing in Pudur Pandiyapuram, Ottapidaram Taluk. During the local body election in the year of 2016, Ottapidaram Panchayat reserved for women in which the wife of the deceased Muniyasamy namely one Manjula contested. The wife of the 1st accused namely one Backialakshmi also contested the election. All the accused persons and two juveniles supported the said Backialakshmi. Due to the enmity during nomination one Sithanachi the mother of the 10th accused lodged a complaint against the group of the said Muniyasamy on 05.12.2016 and the said Manjula lodged a complaint against the accused persons. Therefore there existed enmity between both the groups. On 23.01.2017 about 18.00 hours when the Muniyasamy was talking to one Muthukumar the owner of Sivashakthi lorry shed in front of the shed, the accused 1 to 5 came by a car bearing Reg. No.TN 69 F 8987 and the accused 7 and 8 and the juvenile Vasanthakumar came by a two wheeler bearing Reg. No.TN 69 BB 1947 and the accused 17, 18 and juvenile accused Muniyasamy came by a two wheeler bearing Reg. No.TN 69 AA 5991 and the accused 9, 16, 19 came by a two wheeler bearing

Reg. No. TN 69 AM 1191 and the accused 6, 10, 11 and 14 came by a two wheeler bearing Reg.No.TN 69 AA 1767 and the accused 12, 13 and 15 came by a two wheeler bearing Reg. No. TN 69 P 5835 and they unlawfully assembled there with deadly weapons namely aruval, knife, sword and entered into the lorry shed and due to instigation of the accused 1 to 5 the 6th accused assaulted the said Muniyasamy with aruval on his head, back, left wrist, the 7th accused assaulted him with aruval on his right wrist, head, the 8th accused assaulted the said Muniyasamy with aruval on his neck, left ribs, the 9th accused assaulted the said Muniyasamy with aruval on his right shoulder and right upper arm, the 10th accused assaulted the said Muniyasamy with sword on his back and hip, the 11th accused assaulted the said Muniyasamy with knife on his right neck, 12th accused assaulted the said Muniyasamy with aruval on his neck and back, the 13th accused assaulted the said Muniyasamy with sword above his right knee, the 14th accused attempted to assault the said Muniyasamy with aruval, the 15th accused assaulted the said Muniyasamy with aruval on his back and right cheek, the 16th accused assaulted the said Muniyasamy with aruval on his right head, the 17th accused assaulted the said Muniyasamy with aruval on his head and hip, the 18th accused assaulted the said Muniyasamy with aruval on the back of head, right arm, the 19th accused assaulted the said Muniyasamy with aruval on his back and murdered him. When the said Muthukumar on fear on seeing the occurrence tried to run away, the 7th accused assaulted the said Muthukumar with aruval on his left back,

left shoulder, the 16th accused assaulted the said Muthukumar with aruval on his left chest, the 10th accused assaulted the said Muthukumar with sword on his left elbow, left knee, the 13th accused assaulted the said Muthukumar with sword on the back of his head, the 11th accused assaulted the said Muthukumar with knife on his left hip and right hip and thereby murdered the said Muthukumar and therefore the accused 1 to 5 have been charge sheeted u/s. 147, 302, 302 r/w 120B, 302 r/w 149 IPC, the accused 6, 8, 9, 12, 15, 17, 18 and 19 have been charge sheeted u/s.341, 147, 148, 302, 506(ii), 302 r/w 149, 302 r/w 120 B IPC, the accused 7, 10,11,13 and 16 have been charge sheeted u/s.341, 147, 148, 302 (2 counts), 506(ii), 302 r/w 149, 302 r/w 120 B IPC and 14th accused has been charge sheeted u/s.147, 148, 506(ii), 302 r/w 149, 302 r/w 120 B IPC. The charge sheet against the juvenile has been filed before JJB.

2. After the appearance of the accused in Judicial Magistrate Court, Thoothukudi, they were given free copies of prosecution side documents u/s 207 of Cr.P.C.

3. Then this case was found to be one to be heard by the Sessions Court it was committed to the Principal District Sessions Court, Thoothukudi u/s 209A Cr.P.C. and then transferred to this Court.

4. After the appearance of the accused in this Court, sufficient opportunities were given to themselves and prosecution upon considering the documents and as

there is prima facie case against the accused, the charge framed u/s.120 B, 148, 302 (2 counts) r/w 149 IPC against the accused 1 to 5, u/s. 120 B, 148, 302 IPC against the accused 6, 9, 12, 15, 17 to 19, u/s. 120 B, 148, 302 (2 counts) IPC against the accused 7, 11, 13 and 16 and u/s. 120 B, 148 and 302 (2 counts) IPC against the 14th accused and the charge is read over and explained to the accused and the accused denied the charge. Hence ordered for trial of witnesses by the prosecution.

5. On the side of the prosecution, PW.1 to PW.32 were examined and Ex.P1 to Ex.P71 have been marked and M.O.1 to M.O.22 have been marked.

6. Case of the prosecution in brief as per the prosecution witnesses and Documents :

a) The PW1 to PW8, PW10 to PW14, PW16 and PW17, PW19, PW20 have turned hostile. The signature of the PW1 in the complaint statement has been marked as the Ex.P1.

b) The PW9 has deposed that he knows the deceased Muniyasamy and Muthukumar and the accused persons. The deceased Muniyasamy was brother of her husband. About 8 years ago, the husband of the PW9 told her that the accused persons murdered the said Muniyasamy and Muthukumar due to the enmity in the election. There were cut injuries on the head, leg, back of the said Muniyasamy. There were stab injuries in hand, ribs of the said Muthukumar. There were cut injuries in several areas in the body of the deceased. There was competition between

the said Muniyasamy and the deceased accused Ramachandran. The wife of the deceased Muniyasamy and the wife of the 1st accused contested in the election.

c) The signatures of the PW13 in the observation mahazar and seizure mahazars have been marked as the Ex.P2 to Ex.P4. The signatures of the PW14 in the confession of the accused 7 and 8 and the seizure mahazars have been marked as the Ex.P5 to Ex.P8.

d) The PW15 VAO has deposed that on 25.01.2017 when the PW15 was working as the VAO in Saminatham village, the PW15 and his assistant went to Saminatham bus stop as instructed by the police and the police arrested 5 accused persons and on enquiry, the 18th accused gave a voluntary confession recorded by the police in the presence of the witnesses. The relevant portion of the same has been marked as the Ex.P9 on the basis of which the 18th accused presented a two wheeler from the back of the bus stop, a aruval with blood stain and the police seized the same under the Ex.P10 seizure mahazar. the 17th accused gave a voluntary confession recorded by the police in the presence of the witnesses. The relevant portion of the same has been marked as the Ex.P11 on the basis of which the 17th accused presented a aruval from the back of the bus stop and the police seized the same under the Ex.P12 seizure mahazar. the 16th accused gave a voluntary confession recorded by the police in the presence of the witnesses. The relevant portion of the same has been marked as the Ex.P13 on the basis of which the 16th accused presented a two wheeler

bearing Re.No.TN 69 AF 1191 from the back of the bus stop, a aruval with blood stain and the police seized the same under the Ex.P14 seizure mahazar. The above weapons have been marked as the M.O.1 to M.O.3.

e) The signatures of the PW16 in the observation mahazar and seizure mahazars have been marked as the Ex.P15 to Ex.P17. The signatures of the PW17 in the seizure mahazars have been marked as the Ex.P18 to Ex.P20.

f) The PW18 VAO has deposed that on 26.01.2017 when the PW18 and his assistant Mariappan were going in Neeravi Mettu theru, the police arrested 5 persons and when enquired, the 12th accused gave a voluntary confession in the presence of the PW18 and his assistant recorded by the police. The relevant portion of the same has been marked as the Ex.P21 on the basis of which the 12th accused took them on the north of Manikatti Madasamy temple, Puthiyamputhur and presented a pulsar bike, a aruval with blood stain from a thorn bush seized by the police in the presence of the witnesses under the Ex.P22 seizure mahazar. The photograph of the above two wheeler and other two wheelers has been marked as the Ex.P23. The said aruval has been marked as M.O.4. the 15th accused gave a voluntary confession in the presence of the PW18 and his assistant recorded by the police. The relevant portion of the same has been marked as the Ex.P24 on the basis of which the 15th accused took them on the north of Manikatti Madasamy temple, Puthiyamputhur and presented a aruval with blood stain from a thorn bush seized by the police in the presence of the

witnesses under the Ex.P25 seizure mahazar. The said aruval has been marked as M.O.5. The 13th accused gave a voluntary confession in the presence of the PW18 and his assistant recorded by the police. The relevant portion of the same has been marked as the Ex.P26 on the basis of which the 13th accused took them on the north of Manikatti Madasamy temple, Puthiyamputhur and presented a sword with blood stain from a thorn bush seized by the police in the presence of the witnesses under the Ex.P27 seizure mahazar. The said sword has been marked as M.O.6. The 9th accused gave a voluntary confession in the presence of the PW18 and his assistant recorded by the police. The relevant portion of the same has been marked as the Ex.P28 on the basis of which the 9th accused took them on the north of Manikatti Madasamy temple, Puthiyamputhur and presented a aruval with blood stain from a thorn bush seized by the police in the presence of the witnesses under the Ex.P29 seizure mahazar. The said aruval has been marked as M.O.7.

g) The signatures of the PW19 in the confession of the 6th accused and the seizure mahazar have been marked as the Ex.P30 and Ex.P31. The signatures of the PW20 in the confession of the 6th accused and seizure mahazar have been marked as the Ex.P32 and Ex.P33.

h) The PW21 has deposed that the 11th accused was working as a watchman in their company. On 23.01.2017, the 11th accused came and attended the work for

which the 11th accused signed the attendance register. The work time of the 11th accused was between 7.00 a.m and 7.00 p.m.

i) The PW22 has deposed that on 04.02.2017 when the PW22 was working as the Head clerk in JM I Court, Thoothukudi, the PW22 received the case properties and assigned P.R.No.38/2017. On the basis of the requisition letter of the Inspector, the PW22 sent the case properties through the PW25 to the Regional Forensic Lab, Tirunelveli for chemical examination. The Forms 91 have been marked as the Ex.P34 series (21 in Nos.). The requisition letter of the Inspector has been marked as the Ex.P35. The letter from the Court to the Lab has been marked as the Ex.P36. The case properties are i) 13 aruvals with blood stain, ii) iron knife, iii) the Ford Figo car bearing Reg. No.TN 69 AF 8987, iv) the soil with blood, v) soil without blood (collected from both the places of occurrence), vi) a white banian with blood stain, vii) a lungi in violet and white stripes with blood stain, viii) a cement colour jatti, ix) a two wheeler bearing Reg. No.TN 69 B 1947, x) 2 swords, xi) a two wheeler reg. No.TN 69 AA 5991, xii) a white colour dhoti with blood stain, xiii) a white colour full hand shirt with blood stain, xiv) an ash colour jatti, xv) a two wheeler bearing Reg. No.TN 69 AM 1191, xvi) a two wheeler bearing Reg. No.TN 69 P 5835, xvii) TN 69 AA 1767.

j) The PW23 has deposed that on 24.01.2017 when the PW23 was working as the Professor in Medico Lego Department in the Government Medical College,

Thoothukudi, the body of the said Muniyasamy was brought to the hospital along with the requisition letter through the PW25 for postmortem about 10.20 hours. The PW23 commenced the postmortem about 11.20 hours. The PW23 found the following antimortem injuries in the body of the deceased.

- 1. A cut injury of size 17cms x 3cms x bone depth seen in the right side forehead upto chin*
- 2. A cut injury of size 17cms x 5cms x muscle depth seen in the right jaw upto upper border of sternum*
- 3. A cut injury of size 14cms x 2cms x brain depth seen in the parietal region. The underlying bone found cut.*
- 4. A cut injury of size 10cms x 1cm x brain depth seen 4cms below the injury No.3. The underlying bone found cut. It is 2ms from right ear lobe.*
- 5. A perpendicular cut injury of size 10cms x 2cms x brain depth seen in the occipital area. The underlying bone found cut.*
- 6. A perpendicular cut injury of size 12cms x 1cm x bone depth seen in the occipital area. The underlying bone found cut.*
- 7. A perpendicular cut injury of size 9cms x 1cm x bone deep seen in the right parietal region.*
- 8. a cut injury of size 26cms x 4cms x muscle depth seen in the right shoulder and upper arm.*

- 9. A cut injury of size 13cms x 5cms x muscle depth seen below the injury No.8.*
- 10. A cut injury of size 11cms x 5cms x bone depth seen 1cm behind injury No.8.*
- 11. A cut injury of size 7cms x 1cms x muscle depth seen 1cm below the injury No.10*
- 12. A cut injury of size 19cms x 3cms x chest cavity depth seen on left side of injury No.11.*
- 13. A cut injury of size 11cms x 2cms x chest cavity depth seen 2cms below injury No.11.*
- 14. A cut injury of size 20cms x 9cms x chest cavity depth seen below the injury No.13*
- 15. A cut injury of size 5cms x 1cms x muscle depth seen 4cms from the injury No.14*
- 16. A cut injury of size 12cms x 4cms x chest cavity depth seen left upper back 15cms to the left of injury No.14.*
- 17. A cut injury of size 12cms x 4cms x chest cavity depth seen 5cms below injury No.16*
- 18. A cut injury of size 17cms x 4cms x muscle depth seen in the upper part of the right hip.*
- 19. A cut injury of size 12cms x 4cms x bone depth seen in the back side of right lower arm.*

20. A cut injury of size 29cms x 4cms x bone depth seen in the right knee joint. The underlying bone found cut.
21. A cut injury of size 17cms x 4cms x bone depth seen in the middle part of right leg. The underlying bone found fractured and below part found deformed.
22. A cut injury of size 14cms x 5cms x bone depth seen in the left forearm 5cms from wrist joint. The underlying bone found cut.
23. A cut injury of size 1cm x 1cm x bone depth seen in the left hand. The underlying index, middle and right little fingers found cut.
24. A cut injury of size 8cms x 2cms x cavity depth seen in the lower back.
25. A stab injury of size 4cms x 1cm x muscle depth seen 3cms away from injury No.17
26. A stab injury of size 5cms x 1cm x muscle depth seen 15cms right to the injury No.25.
27. A stab injury of size 5cms x 2.5cms x cavity depth seen 2cms about the injury No.18.
28. A stab injury of size 4cms x 1cm x cavity depth seen 6cms from the injury No.26.
29. A stab injury of size 1cm x 1cm x cavity depth seen in the left upper flank.
30. Multiple linear abrasions of varying sizes seen throughout in the right side of the body.

On dissection of Thorax :

Fracture of ribs 2 - 10 seen in the anterior aspect of left and right side chest with surrounding bruise.

On dissection of Scalp.Skull and Dura :

Sub arachnoid hemorrhage seen over the both sides of arietal and occipital lobes.

Other findings :-

Peritoneal and Pleural cavities-normal. Pericardium - contained about 10ml of straw coloured fluid. Abdominal cavity-hematoma of weight about 50gms seen inside. Heart-normal and chambers empty. Hyoid bone-intact. Lungs, Liver, Left Kidney and Spleen-multiple cut injuries noted. Right Kidney -normal and cut section pale. Stomach-contained about 750ml of undigested food particles, nil specific smell, mucosa pale. Small intestine-filled wit foul smelling gas, mucosa-brownish. Bladder-empty. Brain-normal and ut section normal. External genitals-normal.

Therefore the PW23 issued the Ex.P37 postmortem certificate whereby the PW23 has opined that the said Muniyasamy would have died 15 – 18 hours prior to the postmortem due to the multiple injuries, bleeding and shock.

k) The PW24 has deposed that on 24.01.2017 when the PW24 was working as the constable in Puthiyamputhur P.S., the PW24 took the body of Muthukumar along with requisition letter of the Inpsector after inquest by the Inspector in Cr.No.10/2017

u/s. 147, 148, 341, 302 and 506(ii) IPC to the Government Medical College, Thoothukudi and the PW24 accompanied the doctor during postmortem. Subsequently the PW24 handed over the body to the relatives and received a white colour banian, a white striped lungi, a trouser in ash colour removed from the body of the deceased and handed them over to the Inspector. The passport issued to that effect has been marked as the Ex.P38.

l) The PW25 has deposed that on 25.01.2017 when the PW25 was working as the Special Sub Inspector in Puthiyamputhur P.S., the PW25 took the body of the Muniyasamy along with the requisition letter of the Inspector after the inquest by the Inspector to the Government Medical College, Thoothukudi and handed over the body. The PW25 accompanied the doctor during postmortem and after postmortem, the PW25 handed over the body to the relatives. The PW25 received a white colour dhoti with blood stain, a full hand shirt, an ash colour jatti and handed them over to the Inspector. The passport issued to the PW25 has been marked as the Ex.P39.

m) The PW26 has deposed that on 21.06.2017 when the PW26 was working as the Commissioner in Panchayat Union, Ottapidaram, the PW26 handed over the Ex.P41 and Ex.P42 namely the copies of nomination of the said Manjula and Backialakshmi to the Inspector as per the Ex.P40 requisition letter of the Inspector.

n) The PW27 has deposed that on 24.01.2017 when the PW27 was working as the Professor in Medico Lego Department in Thoothukudi Government Medical

College about 10.30 a.m., the PW24 brought the body of Muthukumar to the hospital for postmortem along with the requisition letter of the Inspector. The PW27 commenced the postmortem about 10.45 a.m. There was rigor mortis in the hands and legs. The nails in the hands and legs appeared in pale. The PW27 found the following antimortem injuries in the body of the said Muthukumar.

- 1. An oblique cut injury of size 15 cms x 7cms x bone depth seen in the occipital region. The underlying bone found cut.*
- 2. A cut injury of size 10cms x 4cms x bone depth seen in the lateral side of left upper back*
- 3. A cut injury of size 16cm x 3cm x muscle depth seen in the left posterior chest.*
- 4. A cut injury of size 8cm x 2cm x bone depth seen over the left arm above elbow.*
- 5. A cut injury of size 9cm x 3cm x bone depth seen in the left leg. The underlying bone found cut.*
- 6. A stab injury of size 5cm x 2cm x chest cavity depth seen in the right lower chest.*
- 7. A stab injury of size 4cm x 1cm x muscle depth seen in the left chest 5cm above left nipple.*
- 8. A stab injury of size 4cm x 2cm x abdominal cavity deep seen 10 cms away from the umbilicus on the left side.*

On dissection of Scalp, Skull and Dura :

A linear cut of length 10cms seen over the right occipital extending over the temporoparietal region. Sub arachnoid haemorrhage seen over the right parietal, temporal and occipital regions.

Other findings :

Thoracic cavity-contained about 200ml of blood stained fluid. Pericardium-contained about 10ml of straw coloured fluid. Abdominal cavity-hematoma of weight about 100gms seen. Heart-normal and chambers empty. Hyoid bone-intact. Liver and Right Lung-found cut with surrounding bruise. Left Lung, Kidneys and Spleen-normal and cut section pale. Stomach-contained about 1000gms of partially digested food particles, nil specific smell, mucosa-pale. Small intestine-filled with foul smelling gas, mucosa-brownish. Bladder-empty. Bain-cut section normal. External genitals-normal.

Therefore the PW27 has issued the Ex.P43 postmortem certificate whereby the PW27 has opined that the said Muthukumar would have died 15 – 18 hours prior to the postmortem due to the multiple cut injuries and stab injuries.

o) The PW28 has deposed that on 02.07.2017 when the PW28 was working as Scientific officer in Regional Forensic Lab, Tirunelveli, the PW28 received the case properties properly covered and sealed through the PW25. There was a dried net cloth in the cover. The PW28 received a sample blood of the deceased Muniyasamy

collected in a net cloth. The same were sent to the Madurai Regional Forensic Lab under the Ex.P44 letter. The serological report that the blood belongs to 'AB' group has been marked as the Ex.P45. The letter for chemical examination for the blood of Muthukumar has been marked as the Ex.P46. The serological report that the blood belongs to the 'AB' group has been marked as the Ex.P47. The biological report and serological report as to the blood in the case properties have been marked as the Ex.P48 and Ex.P49. As per the Ex.P49, it is found that the blood in the case properties belongs to 'AB' group. The chemical report as to the soil collected from the place of occurrence has been marked as the Ex.P50 whereby it has been certified that the soil collected from both the places of occurrence belongs to the same classification.

p) The PW29 has deposed that on 23.01.2017 when the PW29 was working as the Head constable in Puthiyamputhur P.S., the PW29 took the FIR in Cr.No.10/2017 u/s.147, 148, 341, 302 and 506 (ii) IPC as the express tabal about 21.15 hours and went to the residence of JM I, Thoothukudi on 24.01.2017 about 4.40 a.m. by getting lift from the vehicle plying on the road and handed it over to the JM. The passport issued to that effect has been marked as the Ex.P51. On 25.01.2017 about 7.00 a.m., the PW29 received the inquest report and handed it over to the above JM about 10.00 a.m. The passport issued to that effect has been marked as the Ex.P52.

q) The PW30 has deposed that he has been running Sivashakthi lorry shed. The deceased Muthukumar was his brother. The deceased Muniyasamy was the brother of Muthukumar. The said lorry shed was run by the said Muthukumar. On 23.01.2014 during evening time, the said Muthukumar was murdered by somebody and on hearing the same the PW30 went to the shed wherein the said Muthukumar and Muniyasamy were lying dead. Both of them sustained cut injuries all over the body. The PW30 does not know who has murdered them and the PW30 does not know the reason for the murder. The PW30 accompanied the Inspector during inquest.

r) The PW31 namely the Investigating officer has deposed that on 23.01.2017 about 23.30 hours when the Sub Inspector Tr. Sivashanmugam was in charge of the police station, the Sub-Inspector registered the Ex.P53 FIR in Cr.No.10/2017 u/s.147, 148, 341, 302 and 506(ii) IPC on the basis of the Ex.P54 complaint lodged by the PW1 by appearing in the station. The PW31 took the case for investigation on the same day and proceeded to the place of occurrence namely in front of the above lorry shed and prepared the Ex.P55 and Ex.P56 namely observation mahazar and rough sketch in the presence of the PW13 and PW16. The PW31 seized the soil with and without blood near the body of the said Muniyasamy under the Ex.P57 seizure mahazar in the presence of the same witnesses. On the same day, about 23.15 hours the PW31 seized the soil with and without blood near the body of the said

Muthukumar under the Ex.P58 seizure mahazar in the presence of the same witnesses. Since the unusual situation prevailed in the place of occurrence, the PW31 could not conduct the inquest and sent the body along with the requisition letter for keeping the body in the mortuary. The PW31 examined the PW13 and PW16 and recorded their statements. Subsequently the PW31 examined the PW1, PW2 and PW4 and recorded their statements. On 24.01.2017 about 8.30 hours, the PW31 conducted the inquest for the body of Muthukumar in the mortuary in the presence of the panchayatars and prepared the Ex.P59 inquest report. About 10.30 hours after inquest, the PW31 sent the body along with the requisition letter for postmortem through the PW24. On the same day, the PW31 conducted the inquest for the body of Muniyasamy in the presence of panchayatars and prepared the Ex.P60 inquest report. The PW31 sent the body along with the requisition letter for postmortem through the PW24. Subsequently the PW31 examined the panchayatars and recorded their statements. The PW25 accompanied the doctor during postmortem and received the M.O.8 to M.O.10 namely dhoti, shirt and trouser removed from the body of Muniyasamy and the PW31 sent the same to the Court under Form 91. The soil with and without blood near the body of the said Muniyasamy have been marked as the M.O.11 and M.O.12. The soil with and without blood near the body of the said Muthukumar have been marked as M.O.13 and M.O.14. The banian, lungi and the trouser removed from the body of Muthukumar were received by the PW24 and the

PW24 handed over them to the PW31. The above dresses have been marked as M.O.15 to M.O.17. The PW31 sent the same to the Court under Form 91. The PW31 examined the PW 24, PW25, constable Murugan, the Sub-Inspector Sivashanmugam who registered the FIR and recorded their statements. On the basis of the confidential information, on 25.01.2017 about 6.00 a.m., the PW31 arrested the accused 7 and 8 and the juvenile accused Vasanthakumar near Rajavin Kovil bus stop in the presence of the PW10 and PW14 and when enquired, the accused 7 and 8 gave voluntary confessions in the presence of the same witnesses recorded by the PW31. The relevant portions of the same have been marked as the Ex.P61 and Ex.P62. On the basis of the Ex.P61, the 7th accused presented the two wheeler bearing reg. No.TN 69 BB 1947 and a aruval from the back of the above bus stop seized by the PW31 in the presence of the same witnesses under the Ex.P63 seizure mahazar. The above aruval has been marked as the M.O.18. The photographs of the two wheeler have been marked as the Ex.P64 series (4 in Nos.). The PW31 has also seized the aruval presented by the 8th accused from the same under the Ex.P65 seizure mahazar in the presence of the same witnesses. The above aruval has been marked as the M.O.19. On the basis of the confidential information on 25.01.2017 about 10.15 hours, the PW31 arrested the accused 16 to 19 and juvenile accused Muniyasamy on the north of Saminatham bus stop near Kulathukarai in the presence of the PW15 and his assistant Thangamaharajan. When enquired, the 18th accused gave a voluntary

confession recorded by the PW31 in the presence of the same witnesses. The relevant portion of the same has already been marked as the Ex.P9. The accused 16, 17 and 19 also gave voluntary confession in the presence of the same witnesses recorded by the PW31. On the basis of the Ex.P9, the 18th accused took them on the north of Saminatham bus stop near Kulathukarai and presented a two wheeler bearing reg. No.TN 69 AA 5991 and a aruval from a thorn bush and the PW31 seized the same in the presence of the same witnesses under the Ex.P10 seizure mahazar. The said aruval has already been marked as M.O.1. The relevant portion of the confession of the 17th accused has already been marked as the Ex.P11 on the basis of which the 17th accused presented the M.O.2 aruval seized by the PW31 under the Ex.P12 seizure mahazar in the presence of the same witnesses. The relevant portion of the confession of the 16th accused has already been marked as the Ex.P13 on the basis of which the 16th accused presented a two wheeler bearing Reg. No. TN 69 AM 1191 and the M.O.3 aruval seized by the PW31 under the Ex.P14 seizure mahazar in the presence of the same witnesses. The photograph of the above two wheeler has been marked as the Ex.P66. The PW31 subjected the above accused persons to judicial custody and sent the case properties to the Court under the Form 91. Subsequently the PW31 examined the PW14, PW15, PW18 and Thangamaharajan and recorded their statements. On 26.012.2017 about 11.00 a.m., on the basis of the confidential information, the PW31 arrested the accused 9, 10, 12, 13 and 15 on the north of Neeravimedu,

Puthiyamputhur in the presence of the PW18 and his assistant Mariappan and when enquired the above accused persons gave voluntary confession recorded by the PW31 in the presence of the same witnesses. The relevant portion of the confession given by the 12th accused has already been marked as the Ex.P21 on the basis of which the 12th accused took them on the north of the Naduvakurichi Manikatti madasamy temple and presented a two wheeler bearing reg. No.TN 69 P 5835 and a aruval from a thorn bush seized by the PW31 in the presence of the same witnesses under the Ex.P22 seizure mahazar. The photographs of the two wheeler have been marked as the Ex.P23. The above aruval has already been marked as the M.O.4. The relevant portion of the confession given by the 15th accused has already been marked as the Ex.P24 on the basis of which the 15th accused presented a aruval from the same place seized by the PW31 in the presence of the same witnesses under the Ex.P25 seizure mahazar. The above aruval has already been marked as the M.O.5. The relevant portion of the confession given by the 9th accused has already been marked as the Ex.P28 on the basis of which the 9th accused presented a aruval from the same place seized by the PW31 in the presence of the same witnesses under the Ex.P29 seizure mahazar. The above aruval has already been marked as the M.O.7. On 27.01.2017 on the basis of the confidential information, the PW31 arrested the accused 6, 2, 5 and 4 about 19.00 hours in Mela Arasaradi branch road in the presence of the PW19 and PW20 and when enquired, the 6th accused gave a voluntary confession in the presence

of the same witnesses recorded by the PW31. The relevant portion of the same has been marked as the Ex.P67 on the basis of which the 6th accused took them to the west of Pudur pandiyapuram and on the east of over bridge, the 6th accused presented the M.O.20 aruval seized by the PW31 under the Ex.P68 seizure mahazar in the presence of the same witnesses. The PW31 examined the PW19 and PW20 and recorded their statements and subjected the above accused persons to judicial custody. The PW31 sent the case properties to the Court under Form 91. On 02.02.2017, the PW31 issued the Ex.P35 letter to the Court for sending the dresses removed from both the bodies for chemical examination and through the PW25, the dresses were sent to the Lab. The PW31 handed over the case properties to the Court and P.R.No.38/2017 was assigned to the same. The PW31 examined the PW23 and PW27 doctors who conducted the postmortem for the bodies and recorded their statements and received the postmortem certificates. The PW31 issued the Ex.P44 requisition letter to the Court for sending the case properties to the chemical examination. On 22.02.2017, the Puthiyamputhur Inspector joined the duty after training and therefore the PW31 handed over the case to the PW32.

s) The PW32 the investigating officer has deposed that when the PW32 was working as the Inspector, SIPCOT P.S., and holding the additional charge of Puthiyamputhur P.S., the PW32 took the case for further investigation and examined the PW1, PW2, PW4 and P22 and recorded their statements on 22.02.2017. The

PW32 arrested the 3rd accused on 02.04.2017 near Puthupandiayapuram over bridge and subjected him to judicial custody. On 10.04.2017 the PW32 examined the witnesses Vincent, Selvi.Ramya, PW3, PW6, PW9, PW12, PW29 and recorded their statements. On 05.05.2017 the PW32 examined the witnesses Athavan, Balakrishnan, PW21 and Ravikumar and recorded their statements. Subsequently the PW32 examined the accused 11 and 14 who came out on bail and the 14th accused gave a voluntary confession in the presence of the PW17 and John recorded by the PW32 on the basis of which the 14th accused took them to Puthurpandiyapuram, Thoothukudi-Harbour road on the north of the bridge and presented the aruval in the presence of the same witnesses seized by the PW32 under the Ex.P69 seizure mahazar. The PW32 recorded the voluntary confession given by the 11th accused in the presence of the same witnesses on the basis of which the 11th accused presented a knife from the same place seized by the PW32 under the Ex.P70 seizure mahazar. The said aruval and knife have been marked as M.O.21 and M.O.22. Subsequently the PW32 arrested the 1st accused on 06.05.2017 and recorded his confession in the presence of the same witnesses on the basis of which the 1st accused took them near FCI roundana on the back of Mydeen yard and presented the car bearing reg. No.TN 69 AF 8987 seized by the PW32 under the Ex.P71 seizure mahazar and sent the same to the Court. On 25.05.2017, the PW32 examined the PW28 Scientific officer and recorded his statement. On 10.06.2017 the PW32 examined Tr. Veerabahu, S.I. and recorded his

statement. On 27.06.2017, the PW32 examined the PW26 and the SSI Chithiraivel and recorded their statements. Subsequently after completing the investigation, the PW32 laid the charge sheet u/s.147, 148, 341, 302, 506(ii), 120 B, 114 and 149 IPC. The accused 8 and 10 were murdered in retaliation 10 months after the occurrence in this case.

7) When questioned the accused u/s. 313(1)(b) of Cr.P.C., the accused denied the evidence and said that they had defense witnesses.

8) The point for consideration in this case is Whether the offences punishable u/s. 120 B, 148, 302 (2 counts) r/w 149 IPC against the accused 1 to 5, u/s. 120 B, 148, 302 IPC against the accused 6, 9, 12, 15, 17 to 19, u/s. 120 B, 148, 302 (2 counts) IPC against the accused 7, 11, 13 and 16 and u/s. 120 B, 148 and 302 (2 counts) IPC against the 14th accused have been proved beyond reasonable doubt.

9) Findings for the point for consideration :-

The case of the prosecution is that the wife of the 1st accused namely one Backialakshmi and the wife of the deceased Muniyasamy Manjula contested in the local body election for Puthupandiyapuram panchayat reserved for women wherein the accused 1 to 19 supported the said Backialakshmi. There was enmity between the two groups when the nomination filed by the said Backialakshmi and Manjula as there was quarrel between the groups. Hence both the groups gave complaint against each other and the case was registered in Puthiyamputhur P.S. against both the

groups. While so on 23.01.2017 about 18.00 hours when the said Muniyasamy was talking to his friend Muthukumar in front of the above Sivashakthi lorry shed, the accused persons came by the above car and two wheelers and the accused 1 to 5 instigated the other accused persons and accused 6 to 19 assaulted the said Muniyasamy with aruval, sword and knife and thereby cause death to the said Muniyasamy and when the said Muthukumar on fear tried to run away, the accused 7, 10, 11, 13 and 16 assaulted him with aruval and knife and caused death to him. Therefore the accused have been charged u/s.120B, 148, 302, 302 (2 counts), 302(2 counts) r/w 149, 307 (2 counts) IPC.

10) In this case, the charge against the 14th accused u/s.307 (2 counts) has been framed as if the 14th accused attempted to murder the said Muniyasamy and Muthukumar. The occurrence is one wherein the said Muniyasamy and Muthukumar murdered. Apparently the said Muniyasamy and Muthukumar died immediately after the occurrence. The case of the prosecution is that the 14th accused is also one among the persons unlawfully assembled for committing the murder of the said Muniyasamy in the place of occurrence. Therefore the 14th accused is also guilty of the offence punishable u/s. 302 r/w 149 and therefore there is no necessity to frame charge u/s.307 IPC against the 14th accused. Hence it is held that Sec. 307 IPC has got no role to play as far as this case is concerned and therefore it is also held that the 14th accused has not committed the offence u/s.307 IPC.

11) The case of the prosecution is certain that all the accused unlawfully assembled before the Sivashakthi lorry shed with the deadly weapon like sword, aruval and knife and murdered the said Muniyasamy and Muthukumar due to the enmity as the local body election in the year of 2016. The PW1 namely the brother of the said Muniyasamy has not even deposed evidence that the PW1 gave a complaint to the police after the occurrence. Even as per the evidence of the PW2 after treating hostile, it was suggested by the prosecution that the PW1, one Perumal were also present in the place of occurrence. But the PW1 has not deposed that he was present in the place of and at the time of occurrence. The PW3 who is said to have seen the accused 7 to 9 running away with the blood stained weapons from the above lorry shed has also not deposed evidence in support of the prosecution. As per the evidence of the PW4, the PW1 and PW2 were present in the place of occurrence. The PW4 has not deposed that the PW4 was present in the place of occurrence. During the evidence of the PW5 after treating hostile, it was suggested that the PW1, PW2, PW4 and PW5 were present in the place of and at the time of the occurrence. But the PW5 has also turned hostile. Therefore a careful perusal of the records reveals that none of the eyewitness to the occurrence has spoken about the act of the accused persons in the place of and at the time of the occurrence.

12) The PW13 and PW16 are the witnesses for the observation mahazar and seizure mahazar in the places of occurrence. But the PW13 and PW16 have not

deposed that the Inspector came to the places of occurrence and prepared the observation mahazar. The PW13 and PW16 have not deposed that the investigating office seized the soil with and without blood in the places of occurrence. Therefore the investigation itself by the PW31 is under suspicion. As per the case of the prosecution, the investigating officer arrested the accused 7 and 8 in the presence of the PW14 and one Karuppasamy and the accused 7 and 8 gave confession in their presence recorded by the PW31. But the PW14 has turned hostile. The PW17 has not deposed that the 14th accused and 11th accused presented aruval each seized by the police. The PW18 namely the VAO has deposed that the accused 12, 15, 13, 9 gave confession in the presence of the PW18 and his assistant Mariappan recorded by the police and they presented the M.O.4 to M.O.7. But during the cross examination of the PW18, the place from which the weapons are said to have been seized is surrounded by the residential houses. When it is so, there is no necessity to the investigating office to invite the PW18 and his assistant to be the witness for the proposed seizure. The failure on the part of the PW31 to examine the person in the residential houses as the witness has not been properly explained. Therefore it is held that the suspicion regarding the investigation by the police is strengthened. The PW19 and PW20 have also not deposed evidence as to the seizure of aruval from the 6th accused when the accused 2, 4, 5 and 6 were arrested. Hence it is also not safe to believe the case of the prosecution. Hence a careful perusal of the records and the

evidence reveals that there is no evidence connecting the accused and the occurrence in this case.

13) The above witnesses for the seizure of weapons and clothes have not given evidence in support of the prosecution. The eyewitnesses have turned hostile. Therefore the witnesses connecting the accused persons and the occurrence have failed to establish the case of the prosecution. The doctors namely the PW23 and PW27 who conducted the postmortem for the bodies of the said Muniyasamy and Muthukumar alone have supported the case of the prosecution. But the doctors can speak only as to the injuries and cause of death. Therefore the evidence alone of the doctors is not sufficient to hold that the accused persons alone have caused such injuries to the deceased persons. Hence it is held that the prosecution has miserably failed to establish the offence with which the accused persons have been charged. The PW31 has deposed evidence that when the Forms 91 were presented before the JM for the first time, the same were returned for representation with the properties. Therefore it is evident that the properties though seized prior to sending the Forms 91 to the Court, the properties were not sent to the Court along with the Forms 91. Hence the version put forth by the defense that the properties were not seized by the PW31 as stated in the chief examination is highly believable.

14) The irregularity in the investigation can not be a bar to base the case for conviction. A careful perusal of the records indicates that there is no investigation on

the part of the PW31 in the case. Hence the case of the prosecution is highly improbable and it is hereby held that the presence of the accused persons with the weapons in the place and at the time of the occurrence has not been proved by the prosecution. Therefore it is held that the offence punishable u/s.120 B ad 148 IPC against the accused 2 to 7, 9 and 11, 12, 14 to 18, u/s.302 IPC against the accused 6, 9, 12, 15, 17 and 18,u/s. 302 (2 counts) IPC against the accused 7,11 and 16 and u/s.302(2 counts) r/w 149 IPC against the accused 2 to 5 have not been proved by the prosecution beyond the reasonable doubts and thus the point for consideration is hereby answered.

In the result, the accused 2 to 7, 9 and 11, 12, 14 to 18 are hereby found not guilty for the offence punishable u/s.120 B ad 148 IPC, the accused 6, 9, 12, 15, 17 and 18 are found not guilty u/s.302 IPC , the accused 7, 11 and 16 are hereby found not guilty for the offence punishable u/s. 302 (2 counts) IPC and the accused 2 to 5 are hereby found not guilty for the offence punishable u/s.302(2 counts) r/w 149 IPC and the accused 2 to 7, 9 and 11, 12, 14 to 18 are hereby acquitted u/s.235(1) Cr.P.C.

The charge against the accused 1, 8, 10, 13 and 19 abated as died.

The bail bond executed by the accused shall stand cancelled after the lapse of appeal period or after the appeal if any.

The material objects remanded in this case in P.R. No.20/2020, M.O.1 to M.O.22 are useless, it is hereby ordered to destroy the same after the appeal period or after the appeal if any.

Dictated by me to the Steno-Typist, directly typed by her in Computer and Corrected by me and Pronounced in open court on this 1st day of July 2026.

**I Additional District & Sessions Judge,
Thoothukudi.**

Prosecution side Witnesses:-

PW1 Tr. Senthilkumar
PW2 Tr. Sakthivel
PW3 Tr. Muthupandi
PW4 Tr. Perumal
PW5 Tr. Velraj
PW6 Tr. Thangapandi
PW7 Tmt. Manjula
PW8 Selvi. Ramya
PW9 Tmt. Sangeetha
PW10 Tr. Karuppasamy
PW11 Tmt. Ajitha
PW12 Tmt. Pechiammal
PW13 Tr. Murugan
PW14 Tr. Athiappan
PW15 Tr. Ponmurugesan

PW16 Tr. Thangamariappan
 PW17 Tr. Madasamy
 PW18 Tr. Karuppasamy
 PW19 Tr. Sakravarthi
 PW20 Tr. Kumarasamy
 PW21 Tr. Anantharaj
 PW22 Tmt. Sahayaratharani
 PW23 Tr. Somasundaram
 PW24 Tr. Sornabalan
 PW25 Tr. Balasubramanian
 PW26 Tr. Sivabalan
 PW27 Tmt. Gomu @ Priya
 PW28 Tmt. Ananthi
 PW29 Tr. Subramanian
 PW30 Tr. Jothi Rooban
 PW31 Tmt. Santhakumari
 PW32 Tr. Hariharan (Inspector of Police)

Prosecution side Documents:-

Ex.P1	23.01.2017	Signature of the PW1 in the complaint
Ex.P2	23.01.2017	Signature of the PW13 in the observation mahazar
Ex.P3	23.01.2017	Signature of the PW13 in the seizure mahazar
Ex.P4	23.01.2017	Signature of the PW13 in the seizure mahazar
Ex.P5	25.01.2017	Signature of the PW14 in the confession of A7
Ex.P6	25.01.2017	Signature of the PW14 in the confession of A8
Ex.P7	25.01.2017	Signature of the PW14 in the seizure mahazar
Ex.P8	25.01.2017	Signature of the PW14 in the seizure mahazar

Ex.P9	25.01.2017	Relevant portion of the confession of the 18th accused
Ex.P10	25.01.2017	Seizure mahazar
Ex.P11	25.01.2017	Relevant portion of the confession of the 17th accused
Ex.P12	25.01.2017	Seizure mahazar (aruval)
Ex.P13	25.01.2017	Relevant portion of the confession of the 16th accused
Ex.P14	25.01.2017	Seizure mahazar (aruval and two wheeler bearing Reg. No. TN 69 AM 1191)
Ex.P15	23.01.2017	Signature of the PW16 in the observation mahazar
Ex.P16	23.01.2017	Signature of the PW16 in the seizure mahazar
Ex.P17	23.01.2017	Signature of the PW16 in the seizure mahazar
Ex.P18	06.05.2017	Seizure mahazar
Ex.P19	05.05.2017	Seizure mahazar
Ex.P20	05.05.2017	Seizure mahazar
Ex.P21	26.01.2017	Relevant portion of the confession of the 12th accused
Ex.P22	26.01.2017	Seizure mahazar (aruval and two wheeler bearing Reg. No. TN 69 P 5835)
Ex.P23	--	Photographs of the two wheelers
Ex.P24	26.01.2017	Relevant portion of the confession of the 15th accused
Ex.P25	26.01.2017	Seizure mahazar (aruval)
Ex.P26	26.01.2017	Relevant portion of the confession of the 13th accused
Ex.P27	26.01.2017	Seizure mahazar (sword)
Ex.P28	26.01.2017	Relevant portion of the confession of the 9th accused
Ex.P29	26.01.2017	Seizure mahazar (aruval)
Ex.P30	27.01.2017	Signature of the PW19 in the confession of the 6th accused
Ex.P31	27.01.2017	Signature of the PW19 in the seizure mahazar
Ex.P32	27.01.2017	Signature of the PW20 in the confession of the 6th accused
Ex.P33	27.01.2017	Signature of the PW20 in the seizure mahazar
Ex.P34	--	Forms 91

Ex.P35	21.02.2017	Requisition letter by the Inspector
Ex.P36	21.02.2017	Letter by the Court to the Forensic Lab
Ex.P37	24.01.2017	Postmortem certificate of the said Muniyasamy
Ex.P38	24.01.2017	Passport issued to PW24
Ex.P39	24.01.2017	Passport issued to PW25
Ex.P40	--	Requisition letter by the Inspector
Ex.P41	--	Copy of nomination of the said Manjula
Ex.P42	--	Copy of nomination of the said Backialakshmi
Ex.P43	24.01.2017	Postmortem certificate of the said Muthukumar
Ex.P44	09.02.2017	Letter to the Madurai Regional Forensic Lab for sending sample blood of the deceased Muniyasamy
Ex.P45	20.06.2017	Serological report
Ex.P46	09.02.2017	Letter for chemical examination for the blood of Muthukumar
Ex.P47	20.06.2017	Serological report
Ex.P48	03.03.2017	Biological report
Ex.P49	20.06.2017	Serological report
Ex.P50	05.06.2017	Chemical report
Ex.P51	23.01.2017	Passport issued to PW29
Ex.P52	--	Passport issued to PW29
Ex.P53	23.01.2017	FIR
Ex.P54	23.01.2017	Complaint
Ex.P55	23.01.2017	Observation mahazar
Ex.P56	23.01.2017	Rough sketch
Ex.P57	23.01.2017	Seizure mahazar
Ex.P58	23.01.2017	Seizure mahazar
Ex.P59	24.01.2017	Inquest report in respect of the body of the said Muniyasamy

Ex.P60	24.01.2017	Inquest report in respect of the body of the said Muthukumar
Ex.P61	25.01.2017	Relevant portion of the confession of the 7th accused
Ex.P62	25.01.2017	Relevant portion of the confession of the 8th accused
Ex.P63	25.01.2017	Seizure mahazar (bike and aruval)
Ex.P64 series	--	Photographs of the two wheeler bearing Reg. No.TN 69 BB 1947 (4 in Nos.)
Ex.P65	25.01.2017	Seizure mahazar (aruval)
Ex.P66	--	Photographs of the two wheeler bearing Reg. No. TN 69 AM 1191
Ex.P67	27.01.2017	Relevant portion of the confession of the 6th accused
Ex.P68	27.01.2017	Seizure mahazar
Ex.P69	05.05.2017	Seizure mahazar
Ex.P70	05.05.2017	Seizure mahazar
Ex.P71	06.05.2017	Seizure mahazar

List of witnesses and documents on the side of defence:- Nil

Material Objects on the side of Prosecution :-

M.O.1	Aruval (38 cm)
M.O.2	Aruval (49 cm)
M.O.3	Aruval (42 cm)
M.O.4	Aruval (36 cm)
M.O.5	Aruval (62 cm)
M.O.6	Sword (42 cm)
M.O.7	Aruval (39 cm)
M.O.8	Dhoti removed from the body of Muniyasamy
M.O.9	Shirt removed from the body of Muniyasamy
M.O.10	Trouser removed from the body of Muniyasamy
M.O.11	Soil with blood near the body of the Muniyasamy

M.O.12	Soil without blood near the body of the Muniyasamy
M.O.13	Soil with blood near the body of the Muthukumar
M.O.14	Soil without blood near the body of the Muthukumar
M.O.15	Banian removed from the body of Muthukumar
M.O.16	Lungi removed from the body of Muthukumar
M.O.17	Trouser removed from the body of Muthukumar
M.O.18	Aruval (52 cm)
M.O.19	Aruval (42 cm)
M.O.20	Aruval (43 cm)
M.O.21	Aruval (38.5 cm)
M.O.22	Aruval (43 cm)

**I Additional District & Sessions Judge,
Thoothukudi.**

**I Additional District & Sessions Court,
Thoothukudi.**

S.C. No.2/2020

Judgment

Date : 01.07.2026.