

HCP(MD) NO. 131



BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED: 07-04-2026

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THE HONOURABLE MR JUSTICE N. ANAND VENKATESH

AND

THE HONOURABLE MR JUSTICE K.K. RAMAKRISHNAN

H.C.P(MD) No.1319 of 2025

1.Palanivel Rajan @ PTR Vinoth

Petitioner

Vs

1. The State of Tamil Nadu
Rep by the Principal Secretary to Government
Home, Prohibition and Excise Department,
Fort St.George
Chennai - 9.

2. The Commissioner of Police
O/o.The Commissioner of Police
Madurai City.

3. The Superintendent of Prison
Madurai Central Prison
Madurai District.

Respondent(s)

For Petitioner(s):

Mr.Dr.R.Alagumani

For Respondent(s):

Mr.Hassan Mohammed Jinnah,
State Public Prosecutor, assisted by
Mr.A.Thiruvadi Kumar, Additional Public Prosecutor

Prayer:

H2-GO.To call for the entire records connected with the detention order of the Respondent No.2 in No.43/BBCDEFGISSSV/2025 dated 17.09.2025 and quash the same and direct the respondents to produce the body or person of the detenu by name Palanivel Rajan @ PTR Vinoth, S/o.Nagendiran, aged about 35 years, now detained as Goonda at Central Prison, Madurai, before this Court and set him at liberty forthwith.



ORDER

(Order of the Court was made by the Hon'ble N.Anand Venkatesh J.)



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Pursuant to the earlier order passed on 10.03.2026, the learned State Public Prosecutor filed the status report of the Principal Secretary to Government, Home, Prohibition and Excise (XIV) Department.

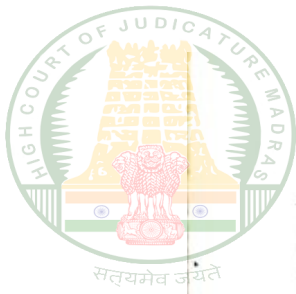
2. Paragraphs 11 and 12 of the status report set out the particulars relating to the number of petitions filed for cancellation of bail and their pendency. Paragraphs 13 to 16 deal with the introduction of the standard operating procedure to effectively address repeat offenders. For proper appreciation, paragraphs 11 to 16 are extracted hereunder:

11. It is respectfully submitted that, due to the sincere efforts taken by the supervisory officers, there is significant increase in the bail cancellation petitions filed by the Investigation Officers. The figures collected from the unit officers for the period from 01.01.2025 to 31.03.2026 are consolidated and put up for the consideration of this hon'ble court.

S.N o.	Units	Status of Formation of District Level Committee	Bail Cancellation Petition for the year 2025				Bail Cancellation Petition for the year 2026 (01.01.2026 to 31.03.2026)			
			Filed	Allowed	Pending	Rejected	Filed	Allowed	Pending	Rejected
North Zone										
1	Kanchipuram	Formed	9	2	4	3	2		2	
2	Tiruvallur	Formed	5		5					
3	Chengalpattu	Formed	3	3			3	1	2	
4	Vellore	Formed	6	2	1	3				
5	Tiruvannamalai	Formed	3		1	2				
6	Villuppuram	Formed	3	3			6	3	1	2
7	Tirupathur	Formed	3	3			2	2		
8	Cuddalore	Formed	4	1	1	2				
9	Kallakurichi	Formed	7	1		6				
10	Ranipet	Formed	21	4	7	10	9	2	4	3
Central Zone										
11	Trichy	Formed	14	4	3	7	3		3	
12	Perambalur	Formed	0				0			
13	Ariyalur	Formed	3	1	1	1	3		3	
14	Karur	Formed	5		2	3	8	2	6	
15	Pudukottai	Formed	11		2	9	1		1	
16	Thanjavur	Formed	7	6	1		7	1	6	
17	Nagapattinam	Formed	3	2	1		4	1	3	
18	Thiruvavur	Formed	5	1		4	1		1	
19	Mayiladuthurai	Formed	1			1	1			1

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West Zone										
20	Coimbatore	Formed	9	4	1	4	1			1
21	Erode	Formed	77	5	41	31	7		4	3
22	Tiruppur	Formed	132	2	96	34	11		11	
23	Nilgiris	Formed	6			6	1		1	
24	Namakkal	Formed	1	1			1		1	
25	Dharmapuri	Formed	4			4	2	2		
26	Krishnagiri	Formed	1	1						
27	Salem	Formed	2	1	1					
South Zone										
28	Madurai	Formed	9			9				
29	Viradhunagar	Formed	15	1	1	13	6	3		3
30	Dindigul	Formed	24	4	8	12	4	1	2	1
31	Theni	Formed	1			1	1		1	
32	Ramnad	Formed	6			6	2			2
33	Sivagangai	Formed	26	18	6	2	21	6	12	3
34	Tirunelveli	Formed	72	7	14	51	27	2	23	2
35	Thoothukudi	Formed	49	6	16	27	4		3	1
36	Kanyakumari	Formed	37	25	1	11	1	1		
37	Tenkasi	Formed	19	6	3	10	13		4	9
CITIES										
38	Chennai	Formed	591	84	294	213	35	3	26	6
39	Madurai City	Formed	65	11	7	47	26	1	25	
40	Salem City	Formed	19	1	12	6	3	2	1	
41	Coimbatore City	Formed	331	259	5	67	72	52	3	17
42	Tiruppur City	Formed	5		3	2	1		1	
43	Tambaram	Formed	5	3		2				
44	Avadi City	Formed	14	4	5	5	3	2	1	
45	Trichy City	Formed	2		2					
46	Tirunelveli City	Formed	19	12	1	6	3	1	2	
Total			1654	488	546	620	297	90	153	54

Comparative Statement of Bail cancellation petitions filed in the last 6 years

Year	Filed
2020	53
2021	125
2022	98
2023	182
2024	668
2025	1654
2026 (01.01.26 to 31.03.2026)	297


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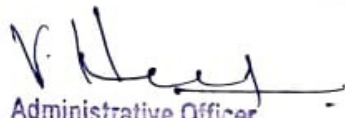


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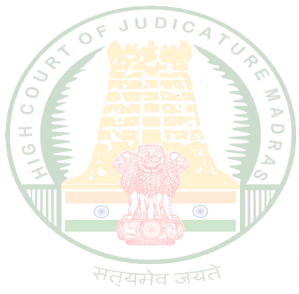
12. It is submitted that, the filing of application for bail cancellation has increased in the year 2025 when compared with previous years. A total of 1654 bail cancellation petitions were filed in the year 2025, of which 488 Petitions were allowed by the court and the bail were cancelled, 546 petitions are pending and 620 petitions were rejected by the court. For the year 2026 (Till 31.03.2026), a total of 297 bail cancellation petitions were filed, of which 90 petitions were allowed by the court and the bail were cancelled, 153 petitions are pending and 54 petitions were rejected by the court.

13. I respectfully submit that, the CCTNS 1.0 application had "Accused Search feature" available on the CCTNS Officer Portal. This facility is accessible to all police stations and senior officers. The search allows investigation officers to get the details of accused persons from the CCTNS database based on inputs such as name, parentage, gender, age, and alias. Further, in the CCTNS 1.0 application, the search functionality for accused individuals is limited to exact name matching, requiring the user to spell the precise spelling of the name. This constraint often hampers effective identification, especially in cases of spelling variations, aliases, or data entry discrepancies.

14. It is respectfully submitted that, the CCTNS 2.0 which was rolled out on 26.02.2026 has phonetic name search capability, allowing users to retrieve results based on sound-alike names. This will be complemented by additional filtering parameters such as age, gender, Physical descriptors (e.g., height, complexion and identifiable marks, Mobile number, Unique Government-issued Identifiers (e.g., Aadhaar number, Driving License number,


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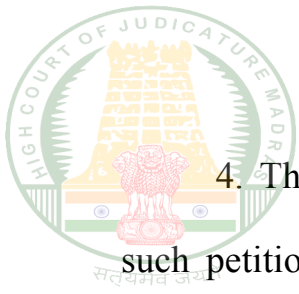


Voter ID, etc.). Upon entering any unique identifier(e.g., mobile number, Aadhaar number, etc.), the system will automatically alert the Investigation Officer, if the accused has a record of previous crimes. The alert will include details such as District, Police Station and Crime Number(s).

15. I respectfully submit that, under CCTNS 2.0, if the permanent address of the arrested accused belongs to another district, the details of the arrested person in the format of the "Arrested Person Register -Proforma shall be communicated to the designated officer of the concerned district via their official email ID. The system will auto-generate the Arrested Person Register with the following fields "Sl.No., District, Sub Division, Police Station, Crime Number, Act-Section of Law, Case Type - Sub Case Type, Date of Report, Name of the Accused and Address, Date and Time of Arrest, Place of Arrest, Action Taken After Arrest, Stage of the Case, Photograph, Detail Proforma as per section 37 (b) of BNSS". Also provisions are made available in the system for the supervisory officers to view the Arrested Person details in the format of the "Arrested Person Register" based on their jurisdiction.

16. It is respectfully submitted that, under CCTNS 2.0, if any FIR is registered against the history sheeted accused in any police station, the notification will be sent to the SHO who created the history sheet and they can accept/reject to add those new case details to the history sheet.

3. On a careful consideration of the status report, it is seen that, in the year 2025, although 1654 petitions for cancellation of bail were filed, as many as 546 petitions remain pending. Similarly, in the year 2026, 297 petitions for cancellation of bail have been filed, out of which 153 petitions are pending.



4. This Court is inclined to obtain further particulars regarding the pendency of such petitions before the various Courts. Hence, there shall be a direction to the first respondent to furnish a detailed break-up of the pendency of cancellation of bail petitions, so as to enable this Court to issue appropriate directions.

5. Post this case on 28.04.2026.

(N.ANAND VENKATESH J.) (K.K.RAMAKRISHNAN J.)
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