

S U P R E M E C O U R T O F I N D I A
RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Petition(s) for Special Leave to Appeal (Crl.) No(s).1782/2026

[Arising out of impugned final judgment and order dated 13-10-2025 in CRLQP(MD) No.13698/2025 passed by the High Court of Judicature at Madras at Madurai]

G SELVARANI

PETITIONER(S)

VERSUS

ARUN @ ARUN PANDI & ORS.

RESPONDENT(S)

IA No. 18992/2026 - EXEMPTION FROM FILING C/C OF THE IMPUGNED JUDGMENT

IA No. 18993/2026 - EXEMPTION FROM FILING O.T.

Date : 09-03-2026 This matter was called on for hearing today.

CORAM :

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANJAY KAROL

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE AUGUSTINE GEORGE MASIH

(Ms. Khushboo Chaudhary (e.mail Id.:

khushboochaudhary725@outlook.com; Enrolment No.: UK/424/2020)

For Petitioner(s) :

Mr. G. Murugendran, Adv.

Mr. Navneet Dugar, AOR

For Respondent(s) :

Mr. Sabarish Subramanian, AOR

Upon hearing the counsel the Court made the following

O R D E R

1. As per the Office Report dated 27.02.2026, service of notice on Respondent Nos.1 and 2 is complete; however, no one has entered appearance on their behalf.

2. Learned counsel appearing for Respondent No.3/State of Tamil Nadu submits that the charge-sheet has been filed, in which Respondent No.1-Arun @ Arun Pandi has not been added

as a party-respondent and Respondent No.2-Mani @ Veerasamy/accused is the contesting respondent.

3. Respondent No.1 is hereby deleted from the array of parties. The Registry shall modify the cause title accordingly.

4. We notice that no one has entered appearance on behalf of Respondent No.2. As such, let aailable warrant for arrest be issued for a sum of Rs.5,000/- (Rupees five thousand only) for securing his presence before this Court on 24.04.2026.

5. However, in the interest of justice, we also request and appoint Ms. Khushboo Chaudhary (e.mail id: khushboochaudhary725@outlook.com; enrolment no.: UK/424/2020), learned counsel, who is present in the Court, as *amicus curiae* (pro bono) to assist the Court on behalf of respondent no.2.

6. The Registry is directed to supply the complete paper book in digital form to the learned *amicus curiae* within a period of three working days.

7. Learned *amicus curiae* shall endeavour to get in touch with the respondent directly, in writing, apprising him of the pendency of the present petition; the passing of the present order; the right to engage a counsel of his choice; and his right to be represented through a legal aid counsel, subject to eligibility.

8. Learned *amicus curiae* shall also get in touch with the Chairperson of the concerned District Legal Services

Authority, who shall have the respondent apprised of his aforesaid rights.

9. It is clarified that the learned *amicus curiae* shall continue to assist the Court even if the respondent is represented by a duly engaged counsel.

10. The Registry shall communicate this order to all concerned forthwith.

11. The Registry shall print the name of the learned *amicus curiae* in the cause list.

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