

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF INDIA
CRIMINAL APPELLATE JURISDICTION

CRIMINAL APPEAL NO(s). OF 2026

(arising out of SLP (Crl.) No(s).18602 of 2025)

ADAIKALAVAN & ANR.

APPELLANT(S)

VERSUS

THE STATE OF TAMIL NADU

RESPONDENT(S)

O R D E R

1. Leave granted.
2. The appellants challenge the judgment and order dated 09.10.2025 in Crl. OP (MD) No.17212/2025 passed by the High Court of Judicature at Madras at Madurai, titled "*Adaikalavan & Anr. vs. The State of Tamil Nadu*".
3. On 24.11.2025, this Court passed the following order:-

"1. Petitioners challenge the judgment and order dated 09.10.2025 in CRL OP(MD) No.17212/2025 passed by the High Court of Judicature at Madras at Madurai, titled "Adaikalavan & Anr. vs. State of Tamil Nadu".

2. By way of the present Special Leave Petition, petitioners mainly challenge the bail condition (paragraph no.:6d), which reads as under:

"6.(d) the petitioners shall appear and sign before the respondent police daily at 10.30 a.m. until further

orders"

3. Issue notice, returnable on 16.01.2026.

4. Dasti service, in addition, is permitted. Let steps for service be taken within two weeks.

5. Learned counsel for the petitioners is permitted to serve the learned standing counsel for the State of Tamil Nadu.

6. In the notice itself let it be mentioned that the respondent is required to file the counter affidavit and reply to the interlocutory application(s), if any, before the next date of listing.

7. In the meanwhile, paragraph no.6(d) of the impugned judgment stands modified to the extent that petitioners shall appear and report before the respondent Police on every first Monday of the month at 10.30 a.m."

4. We have heard learned counsel for the parties and also perused the materials available on record.

5. It is not in dispute that the conditions imposed by the High Court stand fully complied with; the appellants have cooperated during the investigation; they have not threatened or intimidated any of the witnesses; or have tried to influence the investigation in any manner.

6. We have noticed the nature of crime and the manner in which it was allegedly committed.

7. We allow the present appeal by confirming the order dated 24.11.2025, passed by this Court, with a direction to the appellants to continue to cooperate during the investigation/trial and not to take any unnecessary adjournment. Further, as and when the Investigating

Officer/Arresting Officer/Trial Court finds the presence of the appellants necessary, they shall make themselves available accordingly.

8. If the Investigating Officer/Arresting Officer/Trial Court feels that the investigation/trial is delayed on account of the appellants' conduct, it shall be open to the Investigating Officer/Arresting Officer/Trial Court to take appropriate steps in accordance with the law, including cancellation of bail.

9. Pending application(s), if any, shall stand disposed of.

.....J.
(SANJAY KAROL)

.....J.
(AUGUSTINE GEORGE MASIH)

**NEW DELHI
16-01-2026**

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).18602/2025

[Arising out of impugned final judgment and order dated 09-10-2025 in CRLOP(MD) No.17212/2025 passed by the High Court of Judicature at Madras at Madurai]

ADAIKALAVAN & ANR.

PETITIONER(S)

VERSUS

THE STATE OF TAMIL NADU

RESPONDENT(S)

IA No. 296741/2025 - EXEMPTION FROM FILING C/C OF THE IMPUGNED JUDGMENT

IA No. 296740/2025 - EXEMPTION FROM FILING O.T.

Date : 16-01-2026 This matter was called on for hearing today.

CORAM :

**HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANJAY KAROL
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE AUGUSTINE GEORGE MASIH**

For Petitioner(s) :

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For Respondent(s) :

Mr. V.Krishnamurthy, A.A.G.
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Upon hearing the counsel the Court made the following

O R D E R

1. Leave granted.
2. The appeal is allowed in terms of the signed order, which is placed on the file.
3. Pending application(s), if any, shall stand disposed of.

(D. NAVEEN)
COURT MASTER (SH)

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COURT MASTER (NSH)