

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

Petition for Special Leave to Appeal (Crl.) No. 14825/2026

[Arising out of impugned final judgment and order dated 12-06-2026 in CRLMP No. 9403/2026 passed by the High Court of Judicature at Madras]

J. SARAVANAN

Petitioner(s)

VERSUS

M/S. HANDMADE FILMS

Respondent(s)

IA No. 238106/2026 - EXEMPTION FROM FILING C/C OF THE IMPUGNED JUDGMENT

IA No. 238107/2026 - EXEMPTION FROM FILING O.T.

IA No. 238105/2026 - PERMISSION TO FILE ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTS/FACTS/ANNEXURES

Date : 24-08-2026 This matter was called on for hearing today.

CORAM :

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE UJJAL BHUYAN

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ATUL S. CHANDURKAR

For Petitioner(s) : Mr. Prateek K Chadha, AOR

For Respondent(s) :

UPON hearing the counsel the Court made the following
O R D E R

1. Considering the order that we propose to pass, issuance of formal notice is considered not necessary.
2. Petitioner has been convicted by the learned Magistrate for the offence under Section 138 of the Negotiable Instruments Act, 1881 and has been sentenced to undergo simple imprisonment for 2 years and to pay compensation of ₹5,00,00,000/- (Rupees Five Crores Only) within a period of 2 months with a default stipulation.
3. As against the aforesaid conviction and sentence, petitioner

has preferred an appeal which is pending on the file of XXI Additional Sessions Court at Allikulam, Chennai. On a petition filed for suspension of sentence, the Appellate Court passed an order on 30.03.2026 suspending the sentence on condition that petitioner should deposit 20% of the compensation amount before the Trial Magistrate within 30 days.

4. Aggrieved by the imposition of such a condition, petitioner approached the High Court for modification of the condition. However, *vide* Order dated 28.04.2026, High Court directed the petitioner to pay 20% of the cheque amount i.e., ₹50,00,000/- (Rupees Fifty Lakhs Only) which is ₹10,00,000/- (Rupees Ten Lakhs Only) on or before 01.06.2026.

5. On an overall conspectus of the facts and circumstances of the case, we grant further time of 30 days to the petitioner from today to deposit the amount of ₹10,00,000/- (Rupees Ten Lakhs Only) before the Trial Magistrate as directed by the High Court.

6. Special Leave Petition is, accordingly, disposed of.

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

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