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*Crl.O.P.No. 26837 of 2026*

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED : 22.09.2026

CORAM:

THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE **G.K.ILANTHIRAIYAN**

Crl.O.P.No.26837 of 2026  
and Crl.M.P.No.17785 of 2026

K.Ashok Venkatesh

..Petitioner(s)

Vs

M/s.Value Housing Solutions  
Rep by its Power of Attorney Shanmugavel,  
Manager, No.3/25, Masuthi Colony, 4th Street,  
Maduvakarai Guindy Industrial Estate Guindy,  
Chennai - 600 032

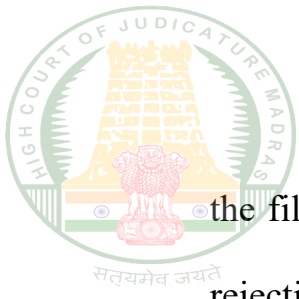
..Respondent(s)

**PRAYER:** Criminal Original Petition is filed under Section 528 of the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023, to set aside the order passed in Crl.M.P.No.8 of 2025 in Crl.M.P.No.1 of 2025 in CA.No.992 of 2025 on the file of XVIII Additional Judge, City Civil Court at Chennai and permit the petitioner to deposit 20% of the cheque amount before the Learned Metropolitan Fast Track II (Magisterial Level) Egmore at Allikulam in STC.No.2436 OF 2023

For Petitioner(s): Mr.B.Mutharasu

**ORDER**

This petition has been filed challenging the order passed in Crl.M.P.No.8 of 2025 in Crl.M.P.No.1 of 2025 in CA.No.992 of 2025 on



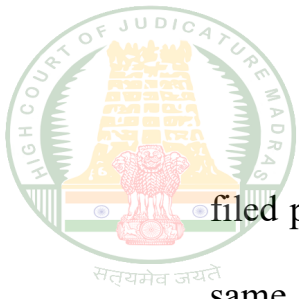
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the file of XVIII Additional Judge, City Civil Court at Chennai, thereby rejecting the petitioner's request to extend time to deposit 20% of the cheque amount before the Trial Court.

2. Heard the learned counsel appearing for the petitioner.

3. On perusal of the records, it is revealed that the petitioner was convicted by the judgment dated 14.07.2025, for the offence punishable under Section 138 of the Negotiable Instrument Act, by the learned Metropolitan Magistrate, Fast Track-II(Magisterial Level), Egmore @ Allikulam in S.T.C.No.2436 of 2023 and was sentenced to undergo six months simple imprisonment and to pay a compensation of the cheque amount viz., Rs.15,00,000/- to the complainant, in default to undergo two months simple imprisonment. Aggrieved by the same, the petitioner preferred an appeal in C.A.No.992 of 2025 along with the petition to suspend the sentence pending disposal of the appeal. The Appellate Court, while considering the petition for suspension of sentence, by an order dated 19.08.2025 suspended the sentence alone till the disposal of the appeal on condition to deposit 20% of the compensation amount before the Trial Court within a period of four weeks. Since the petitioner could not deposit the said amount in time, he



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filed petition to extend time to comply with the said order. However, the same was dismissed. Aggrieved by the same, the petitioner filed the present petition.

4. Considering the reasons stated in the affidavit filed by the petitioner, this Court is inclined to extend time to comply with the order of the appellate court. As such, the impugned order is set aside and the time to comply the order dated 19.08.2025 passed by the learned XVIII Additional City Civil Court, Chennai, in M.P.No.1 of 2025 in C.A.No.992 of 2025, is extended till 01.10.2026, failing which the present order of this Court extending the time shall automatically stand cancelled and the Appellate court shall take appropriate action against the accused in accordance with law.

5. Accordingly, the Criminal Original Petition stands disposed of.

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**G.K.ILANTHIRAIYAN, J.**

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To

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- 2.The Learned Metropolitan Fast Track II (Magisterial Level) Egmore at Allikulam

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