



Suo Motu TR.No.1603 of 2025

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

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DATED: 02.09.2025

CORAM:

THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE **D.BHARATHA CHAKRAVARTHY**

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(C.C.No.800223 of 2013 of Judicial Magistrate Court No.I, Chengalpattu
Taluk, Chengalpattu)

State
Rep.by Inspector of Police,
Chengalpattu Town Police Station,
Chengalpattu.

... Petitioner

Vs.

Kothandaraman and 1 other.

... Respondent

For Petitioner : Mrs.G.V.Kasthuri
Additional Public Prosecutor

ORDER

This Sua Motu Case is dealt with in an extraordinary manner by the Dedicated Bench, pursuant to Sua Motu.W.P.(Crl.) No.618 of 2025.

2. This case is registered for alleged offence under Section 379 of Indian Penal Code. The incident occurred on 09.02.2013. The allegation in this case is that the accused has stolen the Auto belonging to the defacto complainant. The Auto is recovered and handed over to the defacto



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complainant. In this case, summon could not be served on A1 and

consequently, warrant is pending. A2 attending the Court regularly from the year 2013. Considering the factual matrix, context of the case, the antecedents of the accused, and the submission that, despite best efforts, the summon could not be served on A1, it is evident that even if the accused is brought to face trial, it would impinge upon his right to a speedy trial. Due to the passage of time, a meaningful trial is unlikely, and no useful purpose would be served.

3. Accordingly, the proceedings in C.C.No.800223 of 2013 of Judicial Magistrate Court No.I, Chengalpattu Taluk, Chengalpattu is quashed and this Sua Motu Transfer Case is disposed of.

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Note to the Trial Court: This order is digitally signed and communicated electronically alone. The Trial Court shall take note of the order and accordingly classify the case pending before them as allowed / dismissed / disposed of, etc, and while doing so, consider any applications such as disposal of properties, etc., and pass appropriate orders, as may be necessary. Further, the Court below is directed to dispatch the copy of this order to all concerned.



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