



Suo Motu TR.No.1913 of 2025

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

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DATED: 03.09.2025

CORAM:

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

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(C.C.No.1058 of 2021 of XXIII Metropolitan Magistrate Court, Saidapet
Taluk, Chennai)

State
Rep.by its Inspector of Police,
R-10, MGR Nagar Police Station,
Chennai.

... Petitioner

Vs.

Musthapa

... Respondent

For Petitioner : Mr.S.Vinoth Kumar
Government Advocate (crl.side)

ORDER

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

2. This case is registered for alleged offence under Section 3 of the Tamil Nadu Open Places (Prevention of Disfigurement) Act, 1959. The incident occurred on 16.03.2019. The allegation in this case is that the accused had pasted posters unauthorisedly. The matter is pending from the



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year 2019. There is no previous case or subsequent case as against the

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accused. Considering the factual matrix, context of the case, the antecedents of the accused, the reason for absence from his usual place, and the submission that, despite best efforts, the summons could not be served, 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.1058 of 2021 on the file of XXIII Metropolitan Magistrate Court, Saidapet Taluk, Chennai 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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