



Suo Motu TR.No. 4360 of 2025

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

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DATED: 24.09.2025

CORAM:

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

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(CC.No.2302/2016 of VII Metropolitan Magistrate Court, George Town
Taluk, Chennai)

The State rep by
The Inspector of Police,
Esplanade Police Station,
Chennai

... Petitioner

Vs.

Ravi @ Nathan

... 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 in Cr.No.443 of 2016 dated 21.07.2016 for alleged offences under Section 379 of Indian Penal Code. The incident occurred in connection with the theft of a mobile phone, which has not been recovered. Still the Complainant does not want to pursue the case any further.



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The case is pending at FS stage. Considering the factual matrix, context of the case, the antecedents of the accused, and the fact that the matter is still pending at the summons stage, it can be seen 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 case in CC.No.2302/2016 on the file of the VII Metropolitan Magistrate Court, George Town Taluk, Chennai shall stand quashed and this Sua Motu Transfer Case stand 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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