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Suo Motu TR.No. 5774 of 2025

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 09.10.2025

CORAM:

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

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(CC.200194/2008 of Judicial Magistrate, Omalur Taluk, Salem)

For Petitioner : Mr.M.V.Ramachandra Murthy
Additional Public Prosecutor
Puducherry

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. The case was registered in Crime No.01 of 2008 for the alleged offences under Section 40, 42, 43(1), 43(2), 48(A), 49 and 51 of Forest Act, 1972. The allegation against the Accused is that on 26.09.2008, the accused exhibited three sloth bears and caused cruelty on the animals. For the said allegation, the case is pending from 2008 and the case is pending at warrant stage.

3.Considering the nature of allegation, the antecedents of the accused, the reason for absence from his usual place, and the submission that, despite best efforts, 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.



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4. Accordingly, the CC.200194/2008 on the file of the Judicial Magistrate, Omalur Taluk, Salem shall stand disposed of 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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