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Suo Motu TR.No.6856 of 2025

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 16.10.2025

CORAM:

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

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(C.C.No.5749 of 2021 of VI Metropolitan Magistrate Court, Egmore Taluk,
Chennai)

For Petitioner : Mr.S.Sugendran
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.(CrI.) No.618 of 2025.

2. This case is registered for alleged offences under Sections 2(e)(vii) of Motor Spirit and High Speed Diesel (Regulation of Supply & Distribution & Prevention of Malpractices) order 1998 r/w 7(1)a(ii) of Essential Commodities Act, 1955. The incident occurred on 14.04.2019. The diesel was handed over to the department. The vehicle was also auctioned. The case is pending at the stage of fresh summons. Considering the factual matrix, context of the case, the antecedents of the accused, the reason for absence from their usual place, and the submission that, despite best efforts, the summons could not be served, it is evident that even if the accused are brought to face trial, it would impinge upon their 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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D.BHARATHA CHAKRAVARTHY, J.

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3. Accordingly, the case in C.C.No.5749 of 2021 of VI Metropolitan Magistrate Court, Egmore Taluk, Chennai, stands quashed. This Suo 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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