



Suo Motu TR.No.6869 of 2025

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

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DATED: 18.09.2025

CORAM:

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

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S.T.C.No.13 of 2020 of Judicial Magistrate Court, Sendamangalam Taluk,
Namakkal

The Sub Inspector of Police
Belukurichi Police Station

...Petitioner

Vs.

Singadurai

.... Respondent

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.(Crl.) No.618 of 2025.

2.The case, Cr.No.181 of 2019 was registered for the alleged offence under Section 24 (1) of Cigarette and Other Tobacco Products Act, 2003. The occurrence is of the year 2019. The allegation in this case is that the accused was said to have in possession of two Hans packet. The same was recovered and seized. There is no previous or subsequent case against the accused. The matter has been pending since 2019.



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3.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 warrant could not be executed, 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.

4.Accordingly, the case in S.T.C.No.13 of 2020 of Judicial Magistrate Court, Sendamangalam Taluk, Namakkal, stands quashed. 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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