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Suo Motu TR.No. 7517 of 2025

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 22.09.2025

CORAM:

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

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(C.C.No.2500020 of 2014 of Additional Mahila Court, Salem Taluk, Salem)

The State rep. by
The Inspector of Police,
Sevvaipettai Police Station,
Salem.

... Petitioner

Vs.

Sakthivel.P

... 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. This case is registered for alleged offence under Sections 294(b) and 323 of Indian Penal Code and Section 4 of Tamil Nadu Prohibition of Harassment of Women Act, 1998. The incident occurred in the year 2014. The defacto complainant is present before the Court and submits that she does not want to pursue the case any further. It is reported that there is no previous



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or subsequent case as against the accused. Further, the case is pending at the stage of summons.

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 summon 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.

4. Accordingly, the case in C.C.No.2500020 of 2014 on the file of the Additional Mahila Court, Salem Taluk, Salem 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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