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Suo Motu TR.No.7977 of 2025

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 07.10.2025

CORAM:

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

Suo Motu TR.No.7977 of 2025
(C.C.No.244 of 2007 of Judicial Magistrate Court No.I, Ponneri Taluk,
Tiruvallur)

State rep. by Sub Inspector of Police,
Ponneri Police Station,
Tiruvallur District.

... Petitioner

Vs.

Dhamu @ Dhamodaran

... Respondent

For Petitioner : Ms.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. The case was registered in Cr.No.166 of 2007 dated 24.06.2007 for the alleged offence under Section 379 of Indian Penal Code, 1860. This is a case of theft of wire belonging to the TNEB. The property has been recovered and handed over to the defacto complainant. There are no other previous or subsequent cases pending against the accused.



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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 summons could not be served and consequently, warrant is now pending, 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.244 of 2007 on the file of the Judicial Magistrate Court No.I, Ponneri Taluk, Tiruvallur 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.

D.BHARATHA CHAKRAVARTHY, J.

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