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Suo Motu TR.No.8441 of 2025

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 23.09.2025

CORAM:

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

Suo Motu TR.No.8441 of 2025
(C.C.No.21 of 2022 of District Munsif Cum Judicial Magistrate Court,
Needamangalam Taluk, Tiruvarur)

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 15(3) and 8A of the Tamil Nadu Exhibition of Films on Television Screen through Video Cassette Recorders and Cable Television Network (Regulation) Act, 1984, Sections 51(a)((ii) and 63(a) of the Copyright Act, 1957. The incident occurred on 21.01.2020. In this case, the allegation is that the local Cable Operator, without any copyright whatsoever, has telecasted certain copyrighted films and other materials. For the said allegation, the case is pending from the year 2022. It is also stated that the de facto complainant himself is not traceable. 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, 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, no



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meaningful trial is likely to be taken place and no useful purpose would be served.

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D.BHARATHA CHAKRAVARTHY, J.

3. Accordingly, the case in C.C.No.21 of 2022 of District Munsif Cum
Judicial Magistrate Court, Needamangalam Taluk, Tiruvarur, stands quashed.
This Sua Motu Transfer Case is disposed of.

23.09.2025

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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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