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Suo Motu TR.No.9024 of 2025

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 23.10.2025

CORAM:

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

Suo Motu TR.No.9024 of 2025

(C.C.No.477 of 2017 of X Metropolitan Magistrate Court, Egmore Taluk,
Chennai)

For Petitioner : Mr.S.Vinoth Kumar
Govt. Advocate (Crl.Side)

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 is a complaint filed by the Drug Inspector against the accused who is running a Pharmacy in the name of M/s.Arumugam Medicals. It can be seen that the allegations are that the accused contravened Section 18 (c) of the Drugs and Cosmetics Act, 1940, having failed to maintain the prescription register and having sold certain drugs without raising cash credit memos at the time of supplies by way of retail. It is seen that the inspection was conducted in the year 2016. The defacto-complainant/Drug Inspector wants to proceed with the case. However, the case is pending from the year 2016. There is no previous or subsequent case against the accused.

3.Considering the factual matrix, context of the case, 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, a meaningful trial is unlikely, and no useful purpose would



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be served.

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D.BHARATHA CHAKRAVARTHY, J.

4. Accordingly, C.C.No. 477 of 2017 on the file of X Metropolitan Magistrate Court, Egmore Taluk, Chennai stands quashed and this Sua Motu Transfer case is disposed of.

23.10.2025

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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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