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Suo Motu TR.No.9796 of 2025

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 07.10.2025

CORAM:

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

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(C.C.No.14 of 2022 of District Munsif cum Judicial Magistrate Court,
Thandampattu Taluk, Tiruvannamalai)

State rep. by Sub Inspector of Police,
Thandampattu Police Station,
Tiruvannamalai District.

... Petitioner

Vs.

1. David @ Baskar
2. Panneerselvam
3. Santhi

... Respondents

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.This case in Cr.No.332 of 2001 dated 13.12.2001 was registered for the alleged offence under Section 379 of the Indian Penal Code, 1860. The allegation in this case is that theft of wire belonging to the TANGEDCO. Property has been recovered and handed over to TANGEDCO. The case is pending from the year 2001. Summon was not served and consequently, warrant is pending. No other previous or subsequent cases are pending.



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3.Considering the nature of allegation, the antecedents of the accused, the reason for absence from his usual place, and the submission that, despite best efforts, 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 be served.

4.Accordingly, the case in CC.No.14 of 2022 on the file of the District Munsif cum Judicial Magistrate Curt, Thandampattu, Thandarampattu Taluk, Tiruvannamalai, shall stand quashed. This Suo 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.

D.BHARATHA CHAKRAVARTHY, J.



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