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Suo Motu TR.No.13323 of 2025

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 06.10.2025

CORAM:

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

Suo Motu TR.No.13323 of 2025

(C.C.No.120 of 2019 of Judicial Magistrate Court, Harur Taluk, Dharmapuri)

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 for the alleged offence under Section 21(5)(d) of Tamil Nadu Forest Act, 1882 and Section 2(16)(9) of Wildlife Protection Act, 1972 and Section 2(1b) and Section 2/35 of Arms Act 1959 and Section 51(1) of Wildlife Protection Act, 1972. The allegation against the accused is that he was caught red handed when he was cutting trees. The accused has no previous or subsequent case against him.

3. Considering the factual matrix, context of the case, the antecedents of the accused and that the accused is facing the case since 2016, 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.



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3. Accordingly, the case in C.C.No.120 of 2019 on the file of the Judicial Magistrate Court, Harur Taluk, Dharmapuri stand quashed and this Sua 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.

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