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Suo Motu TR.No.13904 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.13904 of 2025

(STC.28/2021 of DISTRICT MUNSIF CUM JUDICIAL MAGISTRATE
COURT, Thirukalukundram Taluk, Chengalpattu)

For Petitioner : Mr.S.Vinoth Kumar
Government Advocate (crl.side)

ORDER

This Suo Motu Case is dealt with in an extraordinary manner by the Dedicated Bench, pursuant to Suo Motu.W.P.(Crl.) No.618 of 2025.

2. The case was registered in Cr.No.178 of 2019 dated 11.05.2019 for the offence under section 4(1)(aa) of TN Prohibition Act r/w. 6 & 11 of RS Rules, 2000. The allegation is that the accused who were buying liquor bottles from the retail outlet to mix the liquor with water and have them in their premises. For the said allegation, the case is pending since 2019. There is no previous or subsequent case against the accused and the case is pending in summons stage.

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.



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4. Accordingly, the proceedings in STC.28/2021 on the file of the DISTRICT MUNSIF CUM JUDICIAL MAGISTRATE COURT, Thirukalukundram Taluk, Chengalpattu is quashed and this Sua Motu Transfer Case is disposed of.

06.10.2025

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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