



Suo Motu TR.No.14454 of 2025

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 14.10.2025

CORAM:

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

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(C.C.No.124 of 2018 of Additional Mahila Court, Egmore Taluk, Chennai)

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 in Cr.No.18 of 2018 for the alleged offences under Section 354C of IPC and Section 4 of TN Prohibition of Harassment of Woman Act, 2002. The occurrence is said to have taken place on 21.01.2018. It is reported that the defacto-complainant is not found in the respective address and remains untraceable. The matter has been pending since 2018.



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D.BHARATHA CHAKRAVARTHY, J.

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3.Considering the factual matrix, context of the case, the reason for absence from his usual place, and the submission that, despite best efforts, warrant could not be executed, 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 C.C.No.124 of 2018 of Additional Mahila Court, Egmore Taluk, Chennai, stands quashed. 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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