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Suo Motu TR.No.16974 of 2025

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 24.09.2025

CORAM:

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

Suo Motu TR.No.16974 of 2025  
(C.C.No.58 of 2021 of XVI Metropolitan Magistrate Court, George Town  
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 for alleged offences under Sections 294(b), 323, 353 and 506(i) of the Indian Penal Code and Section 4 of the Tamil Nadu Prohibition of Harassment of Women Act. The incident occurred on 18.05.2018. The allegation in this case is that when an official from the Corporation inspected the shop of the accused and directed the accused to produce the license, the accused abused the de facto complainant and also hit him on his face. The case is pending from the year 2018 at the stage of fresh summons. Considering the factual matrix, context of the case, the antecedents of the accused, 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 be served.



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**D.BHARATHA CHAKRAVARTHY, J.**

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3. Accordingly, the case in C.C.No.58 of 2021 of XVI Metropolitan Magistrate Court, George Town 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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