



Suo Motu TR.No.17281 of 2025

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

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DATED: 24.09.2025

CORAM:

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

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(C.C.No.2864 of 2017 of XIV Metropolitan Magistrate Court, Egmore Taluk,
Chennai)

State
Rep.by the Sub Inspector of Police,
Egmore Railway Police Station,
Chennai.

... Petitioner

Vs.

Deva

... Respondent

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.The case was registered in Cr.No.89 of 2016 for the alleged offence under Section 379 of I.P.C. The allegation in this case is that the accused committed theft. It is reported that the stolen property has already been



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recovered and returned to the defacto complainant. The case is pending from the year 2016 at the stage of service of summon on the accused. The defacto complainant also does not wants to pursue the matter.

3. Considering the factual matrix, context of the case, the reason for absence from his usual place, and the submission that, despite best efforts, the summon 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 proceedings in C.C.No.2864 of 2017 of XIV Metropolitan Magistrate Court, Egmore Taluk, Chennai, is 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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D.BHARATHA CHAKRAVARTHY, J.

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