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Suo Motu TR.No.19716 of 2025

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 15.10.2025

CORAM:

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

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STC.No.100060 of 2018 of Judicial Magistrate Court I, Chidambaram Taluk,
Cuddalore

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.(CrI.)No.618 of 2025.

2. This case is registered for alleged offences under Sections 143 and 188 of IPC, 1860. The allegation in this case is that the accused have protested against the Government for hike of bus fare. The final report was filed in the year 2018, and the accused have been facing trial since then. Thus, it can be seen that the allegations concern exercising the democratic right to protest. Given the context and nature of the allegations, continuing the trial impinges on the right to a speedy trial of the accused. No useful purpose will be served by continuing the case.

3. Accordingly, the case in STC.No.100060 of 2018 of Judicial Magistrate Court I, Chidambaram Taluk, Cuddalore 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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