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Suo Motu TR.No.19747 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.100384/2017 of Judicial Magistrate Court No:I, Chidambaram Taluk,
Cuddalore)

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

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.433 of 2017 dated 10.12.2017 for the offence under section 4(1)(k) of TN PROHIBITION ACT. The occurrence is of the year 2017. The allegation is that the accused was found drinking liquor in public place. The case is pending from 2017 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



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purpose would be served.

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3. Accordingly, the proceedings in STC.100384/2017 on the file of the Judicial Magistrate Court No:I, Chidambaram Taluk, Cuddalore 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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