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Suo Motu TR.No.20824 of 2025

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 22.10.2025

CORAM:

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

Suo Motu TR.No.20824 of 2025

(C.C.No.300440 of 2017 of Judicial Magistrate Court No.I, Tambaram Taluk,
Chengalpattu)

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 offence under Sections 8(c) and 20(b)(ii)(A) of the Narcotic Drugs & Psychotropic Substances Act, 1985. The incident occurred on 03.10.2016. The allegation in this case is that the accused is found to be in possession of 150 gms of ganja. It is stated that the accused is now aged 60 years of age. The case is pending 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 fresh summons 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.



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D.BHARATHA CHAKRAVARTHY, J.

3. Accordingly, the case in C.C.No.300440 of 2017 of Judicial
Magistrate Court No.I, Tambaram Taluk, Chengalpattu, stands quashed. This
Suo Motu Transfer Case is disposed of.

22.10.2025

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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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