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Suo Motu TR.No.20949 of 2025 & etc., batch

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 16.10.2025

CORAM:

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

Suo Motu TR.Nos.20949, 20950, 20951, 20952, 20954, 20960, 20961, 20964, 20965, 20966, 20967, 20968, 20972, 20973, 21016, 21017, 21018, 21019, 21020, 21024 and 21026 of 2025

(C.C.Nos. 214, 48, 50, 51, 52, 237, 205, 210, 238, 268, 239, 209 of 2023, 27, 28 of 2025, 144, 191, 200 of 2023, 62, 67 of 2025 and STC.No.148 of 2023 and STC.No.18 of 2025 of District Munsif Cum Judicial Magistrate Court, Thirukkuvalai, Thirukkuvalai Taluk, Nagapattinam)

For Petitioner : Mr.S.Sugendran
Additional Public Prosecutor

COMMON 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 cases in C.C.Nos. 214, 48, 50, 51, 52, 237, 205, 210, 238, 268, 239, 209 of 2023, 27, 28 of 2025, 144, 191, 200 of 2023, 62, 67 of 2025 and STC.No.148 of 2023 and STC.No.18 of 2025 was taken on the file of the District Munsif Cum Judicial Magistrate Court, Thirukkuvalai, Thirukkuvalai Taluk, Nagapattinam for the alleged offence under Section 4 (1) (aaa) or 4(1)(aaa) and 4(1)(d) of TN Prohibition Act as the case may be. In all these cases, the accused alleged to have been in possession of 110 liters of illicit



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arrack with an intention to sell without any bar license. There is no previous or subsequent case pending against the accused.

3.Considering the factual matrix, context of the case, the reason for absence from his usual place, and the submission that, despite best efforts, warrant/summons could not be executed/served as the case may be, 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 cases in C.C.Nos. 214, 48, 50, 51, 52, 237, 205, 210, 238, 268, 239, 209 of 2023, 27, 28 of 2025, 144, 191, 200 of 2023, 62, 67 of 2025 and STC.No.148 of 2023 and STC.No.18 of 2025 of District Munsif Cum Judicial Magistrate Court, Thirukkuvalai, Thirukkuvalai Taluk, Nagapattinam stands quashed. These Suo Motu Transfer Cases are 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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