



Suo Motu TR.(MD).No. 1845 of 2025

BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

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DATE : 19.09.2025

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THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE K.K.RAMAKRISHNAN

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(C.C.No.101 of 2023 on the file of the District Munsif cum Judicial
Magistrate Court, Ponnamaravathy, Pudukkottai District)

The Inspector of Police,
Karaiyur Police Station,
Pudukkottai District.

... Petitioner

Vs.

Ramesh

... Respondent

Upon perusing the documents and case records of the above **C.C.No.101 of 2023** transmitted to this Court and hearing the arguments of **Mr.S.Ravi, learned Additional Public Prosecutor**, on behalf of the State and **hearing the jurisdiction probation officer** this Court passes the following

ORDER

Prelude:

“This dedicated bench is for implementing the pilot project to identify and dispose of criminal cases involving offences punishable with



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imprisonment up to 3 years pending at trial, appeal or revision stage for more than 3 years and also offences like Section 506(ii) of IPC and others, which may carry a punishment of more than 3 years in the state of Tamil Nadu with reference to the 14 Districts coming under the Madurai Bench of Madras High Court”.

2. This Dedicated Bench has taken the **C.C.No.101 of 2023** on the file of the learned **District Munsif cum Judicial Magistrate Court, Ponnamaravathy, Pudukkottai District** as ***Suo motu* Special Tr.Case. (MD) No.1845 of 2025** in **Suo Motu W.P.(Crl.).(MD).No.1014 of 2025**, upon proper scrutiny and suitability as a fit case warranting the exercise of power under section 482 of Cr.P.C. to quash the said C.C., pending more than **three years** without any precedent value in this pilot project.

3. **Brief facts of the prosecution case in C.C.No.101 of 2023:**

On 13.08.2014, at about 3.50 p.m. the accused drove the bus in rash and negligent manner, in which the deceased fell down from the bus and sustained grievous injury and succumbed the injuries. Therefore, a case was registered in Crime No.70 of 2014 for the offence punishable under Sections 304(A) of IPC and on investigation, final



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report filed and the same was taken on file in C.C.No.40 of 2014 on the file of learned Judicial Magistrate, Thirumayam and the same was transferred to the learned District Munsif cum Judicial Magistrate, Ponnamaravathy and renumbered as C.C.No.101 of 2023 and the same was pending without trial for more than **three years**.

4. Discussion:

4.1.The incident occurred in the year 2014. Perusal of records shows that all the witnesses in this case were turned hostile. The non bailable warrant is pending against the accused. **Despite the best efforts made by the investigating agency, the accused has not been secured for more than ten years.** Even if the accused secured and trial would have been conducted, the chance of conviction is bleak and the **case is pending from 2014 onwards** and the right of speedy trial under Article 21 of the Constitution of India also impinged, this court inclined the quash the matter by exercise the power under section 482 of the Code of Criminal Procedure.

5.Accordingly, this Sua Motu Special Tr.(MD). case stands closed on the following terms:



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5.1. The case in **C.C.No.101 of 2023** on the file of the learned

District Munsif cum Judicial Magistrate Court, Ponnamaravathy,

Pudukkottai District is hereby quashed.

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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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K.K.RAMAKRISHNAN,J.

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