



Suo Motu TR.(MD).No. 10710 of 2025

BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

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DATE : 13.10.2025

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THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE K.K.RAMAKRISHNAN

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**(C.C.No.147 of 2011 on the file of the Judicial Magistrate Court No.V,
Tiruchirappalli Taluk, Tiruchirappalli)**

The Inspector of Police,
Gandhi Market Police Station,
Trichy District.
Crime No.962 of 2009

... Petitioner

Vs.

Nanthakaran

... Respondent

Upon perusing the documents and case records of the above **C.C.No.147 of 2011** 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 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,



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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.147 of 2011** on the file of the learned **Judicial Magistrate Court No.V, Tiruchirappalli Taluk, Tiruchirappalli**, as **Suo motu Special Tr.Case.(MD) No.10710 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 **fourteen years** without any precedent value in this pilot project.

3. Brief facts of the prosecution case in C.C.No.147 of 2011:

On 28.07.2009, at about 04.30 p.m., the accused tried to get a passport by giving a bogus mark certificate and a voter ID in the passport office in order to go abroad. Therefore, a case was registered in Crime No.962 of 2009 for the offence punishable under Sections 468, 471, 420 and 511 of IPC and on investigation, final report filed and the same was taken on file in C.C.No.147 of 2011 and the same was pending without trial for more than fourteen years.



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4. Discussion:

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4.1. **The occurrence is of the year 2009. Since the accused is in absconding, a non-bailable warrant has been issued against him.** Despite the best efforts made by the investigating agency, the accused has not been secured for more than **fourteen years**, and the identity of the accused remains in question. Even if the accused was secured and a trial would have been conducted, the chance of conviction is bleak, and the **case has been pending from 2011 onwards**, and the right to a speedy trial under Article 21 of the Constitution of India has also been impinged. This court is inclined to quash the matter by exercise the power under section 482 of the Code of Criminal Procedure.

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

5.1. The case in **C.C.No.147 of 2011** on the file of the **Judicial Magistrate Court No.V, Tiruchirappalli Taluk, Tiruchirappalli**, 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 /

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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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