

**HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT HYDERABAD  
FOR THE STATE OF TELANGANA AND THE STATE OF ANDHRA  
PRADESH**

(Special Original Jurisdiction)

THURSDAY, THE THIRTIETH DAY OF APRIL  
TWO THOUSAND AND FIFTEEN

:PRESENT:

**THE HON'BLE SRI JUSTICE VILAS V.AFZULPURKAR**

WP .NO:13538 of 2015

Between:

- 1 Sri Surya Mahal, Rep. by its Managing Partner, Ch.Jaganadam S/o Sri Rama Murthy, Payakaraopet, Visakhapatnam District.
- 2 Sri Sai Mahal, Rep. by its Managing Partner, Ch.Jaganadam S/o Sri Rama Murthy, Payakaraopet, Visakhapatnam District.
- 3 Satya Jyoti Theatre, Rep. by its Managing Partner, B.Srinivasa Rao S/o Pandavulu, Malikipuram, East Godavari District.
- 4 Sankar Theatre, Rep. by its Managing Partner, J.Sankara Rao S/o Nagamallayya, Malikipuram V.V.Merak, East Godavari District.
- 5 Sree Venkata Narayana Picture Palace, Rep. by its Managing Partner, D.Sankara Narayana S/o Suryanarayana, Malikipuram, East Godavari District.

**..... Petitioners**

AND

- 1 The State of Andhra Pradesh, Rep. by its Principal Secretary, Department of Home, Secretariat Buildings, Hyderabad.
- 2 The Joint Collector, Visakhapatnam, Visakhapatnam, Kadapa.
- 3 The Joint Collector, Kakinada, East Godavari, Kadapa.

**.....Respondents**

Petition under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying that in the circumstances stated in the affidavit filed herein, the High Court may be pleased to issue a Writ, Order or direction more particularly one in the nature of Writ of Mandamus declare the action of the 1<sup>st</sup> respondent in issuing G.O.Ms.N0.100, Home (General.A.1) Department, dated 26-4-2013 by providing therein for minimum and higher ticket admission prices for Air-conditioned and Air-cooled theatres and in further notifying a price of only Rs.10/- contrary to the recommendations made by the High Power Committee and in also fixing a minimum percentage for such category of seats as illegal, arbitrary, unconstitutional, ultra vires A.P. Cinemas (Regulation) Act, 1955 and A.P. Cinemas (Regulation) Rules, 1970.

The petition coming on for hearing, upon perusing the Petition and the affidavit filed herein and upon hearing the arguments of SRI V.LAKSHMAN RAO Advocate for the Petitioner and of learned Assistant Government Pleader for Home (A.P.) for Respondents, the respondents, the Court made the following.

**ORDER:**

**Learned Assistant Government Pleader for Home takes notice for respondents and seeks time to get instructions.**

**List along with W.P.No.22795 of 2014.**

**Pending further orders, petitioners shall be permitted to collect rates as proposed by them in their applications dated 15.04.2015 but the difference of the amount in the rates collected shall be maintained separately by the petitioners and shall be subject to further orders in the writ petition.**

ASSISTANT REGISTRAR  
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For ASSISTANT REGISTRAR

To

- 1 The Principal Secretary, Department of Home, State of Andhra Pradesh, Secretariat Buildings, Hyderabad.
- 2 The Joint Collector, Visakhapatnam, Visakhapatnam, Kadapa.
- 3 The Joint Collector, Kakinada, East Godavari, Kadapa. (1 to 3 by RPAD)
- 4 One CC to SRI V.LAKSHMAN RAO, Advocate (OPUC)
- 5 Two CCs to GP FOR HOME (A.P.), HIGH COURT, HIGH COURT BUILDINGS, HYDERABAD (OUT).
- 6 One spare copy

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**HIGH COURT**

**VVAJ**

**DATE: 30.04.2015**

**NOTE: LIST ALONG WITH W.P.NO.22795 OF 2014.**

**ORDER**

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**DIRECTION**

**HIGH COURT**

**VVAJ**

**Drafted by: SRL  
Drafted on: 01.05.2015**

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