

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

(SPECIAL ORIGINAL JURISDICTION)

TUESDAY, THE SEVENTH DAY OF JULY
TWO THOUSAND AND FIFTEEN

: PRESENT:

THE HON'BLE SRI JUSTICE: A.V. SESA SAI

WP .NO:20775 of 2015

Between:

1. Sri Venkata Ramana Theatre, Rep. by its Managing Partner, K.Suryanarayana Raju S/o. Surapa Raju, Amalapuram, East Godavari District.
2. Sri Venkata Ramana Theatre, Rep. by its Managing Partner, A. Satyanarayana Raju S/o Murthy Raju, Amalapuram, East Godavari District.
3. Sri Rama Picture Palace, Rep. by its Managing Partner, S.K.Banga Raju, Amalapuram, East Godavari District.
4. V.S.Mahal, Rep. by its Managing Partner, Ramakrishna, Namavaram, East Godavari District.
5. Sri Venkateswara Talkies, Rep. by its Managing Partner, K.Ramakrishna Reddy, Ravulapalem, East Godavari District.
6. Theatre Padma Sree, Rep. by its Managing Partner, K.Naga Reddy, Ravulapalem, East Godavari District.
7. Sri Venkata Narayana Picture Palace, Rep. by its Managing Partner, D. Sanakara Rao S/o Suryanarayana Murthy, Makilypuram, East Godavari District.
8. Sri Venugopal Picture Palace, Rep. by its Managing Partner, M.Venkata Satyanarayana, Lakkavaram, East Godavari District.
9. Sri Satyanarayana Theatre, Rep. by its Managing Partner, K. Satyanarayana Murthy, Kattipadu, East Godavari District.
10. Sri Sai Krishna Theatre, Rep. by its Managing Partner, M.V.Bhagavannarayana, Rajahmundry, East Godavari District.
11. Theatre Goutham, Rep. by its Managing Director, N.Venkayya Naidu, Payakaraopet, Visakhapatnam District.

..... Petitioners

AND

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

.....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 1st respondent in issuing G.O.Ms.NO.100 Home (General.A.1) Department, dated 26-04-2013 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 Vuyyuru Lakshmana Rao, Advocate for the Petitioners and the Assistant Government Pleader for Home for the respondents, the Court made the following

..2..

ORDER:

“Learned Assistant Govt. Pleader for Home takes notice for respondents and seeks time to get instructions.

This matter is similar to WP No. 22795 of 2014 and an interim direction was granted by this Court on 11-08-2014. There shall be a like order in this Writ petition as under:

“Pending further orders, the petitioners shall be permitted to collect rates as proposed by them in their applications dated: 09-06-2015, 16-06-2015, 18-06-2015 & 22-06-2015 respectively, 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.

List along with WP No. 22795 of 2014.

Let counter affidavit be filed on behalf of Respondents”.

**SD/-K.M. RAMESH BABU
ASSISTANT REGISTRAR**

//TRUE COPY//

For ASSISTANT REGISTRAR

To

- 1. The Principal Secretary, Department of Home, State of Andhra Pradesh, Secretariat Buildings, Hyderabad.**
- 2. The Joint Collector, Kakinada, East Godavari.**
- 3. The Joint Collector, Visakhapatnam, Visakhapatnam District. (ADDRESSEES 1 TO 3 BY RPAD)**
- 4. Two CCs to the G.P. for Home (A.P), High Court of Judicature at Hyderabad (OUT)**
- 5. One CC to Sri V. Lakshman Rao, Advocate (OPUC)**
- 6. One spare copy.**

Ksv

Ksv
Date of drafting: 07-07-2015

HIGH COURT

AVSS J

DATE: 07-07-2015

NOTE: POST ALONG WITH

WP NO. 22795 OF 2015

ORDER

WP NO. 20775 OF 2015

DIRECTION