

IN THE HIGH COURT OF KARNATAKA AT BANGALORE

DATED THIS THE 14TH DAY OF MARCH, 2012

BEFORE

THE HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE S.ABDUL NAZEER

WRIT PETITION NO. 8619/2011 (GM-RES)

BETWEEN:

SMT. RANJITHA/ALIAS SMT. RANJITHA MENON,
AGED ABOUT 37 YEARS,
D/O. SR.P. ASHOK KUMAR
R/AT NO. 31/10, NO. 5F,
PEARL PRANAV APARTMENT
HABIBULLA ROAD, CHENNAI - 600 007

... PETITIONER

(BY SRI. G.R. MOHAN, ADV.)

AND

1. STATE OF KARNATAKA,
HOME DEPARTMENT,
VIDHANA SOUDHA,
BANGALORE - 560 001
REPRESENTED BY ITS SECRETARY
2. OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR GENERAL &
INSPECTOR GENERAL OF POLICE,
KARNATAKA STATE,
BANGALORE - 560 001

3. UNION OF INDIA,
REPRESENTED BY SECRETARY,
MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND
BROADCASTING,
ROOM NO. 655, 'A' WING, SHASTRI BHAVAN,
NEW DELHI - 110 001
4. NEWS BROADCASTING STANDARDS AUTHORITY,
NEWS BROADCASTERS ASSOCIATION
REG. OFF.: 101-103, PARAMOUNT TOWER,
BY ITS MANAGER, C-17, COMMUNITY CENTER,
JANAKPURI,
NEW DELHI - 110 958
REPRESENTED BY ITS MANAGER
5. THE SECRETARY,
PRESS COUNCIL OF INDIA,
SOOCHNA BHAVANM 8-C.G.O COMPLEX,
LODHI ROAD, NEW DELHI - 110 003
6. THE MANAGER,
NAKKHEERAN,
105, JANI JAHAN KHAN ROAD, ROYAPETTAH,
CHENNAI - 14
7. THE MANAGER,
CINEMA EXPRESS,
EXPRESS CARTANS,
29, 2ND PRARTHANA ROAD,
AMBATHUR INDUSTRIAL ESTATE,
CHENNAI - 600 058.
8. THE MANAGER,
AAJ TAK TV TODAY NETWORK LIMITED NEWS,
201, RICHMOND TOWER, 2ND FLOOR,
12 RICHMOND ROAD,

BANGALORE - 560 025

9. THE MANAGER,
JAIN TV, JAIN STUDIOS,
SCINDIA VILLA, SAROJINI NAGAR RING ROAD,
NEW DELHI - 110 023
10. THE MANAGER,
SAHARA FILMY LTD. NEWS
SAHARA INDIA COMMERCIAL CORPORATION
SAHARA INDIA TV NETWORK
SAHARA INDIA COMPLEX, C-2, 3 & 4
SECTOR XI, NOIDA,
GAUTAMBUDHANAGAR - 201 301 (U.P.)
11. THE MANAGER,
SAHARA ONE CORPORATION NEWS DOWNLINK
SAHARA ONE MEDIA AND ENTERTAINMENT LTD.,
MUMBAI, CTS-40/44, SAHARA INDIA POINT,
S.V. ROAD GOREGAON (W)
MUMBAI - 400 104
12. THE MANAGER,
TV SOUTH ASIA BROADCAST WORLDWIDE LTD.
NEWS, BROADCAST WORLDWIDE LIMITED,
AQUA BUSINESS CENTRE,
202 CHURCHGATE CHAMBERS,
5 NEW MARINE LINES
13. THE MANAGER,
CNBC AWAAZ,
EMPIRE COMPLEX, 1ST FLOOR,
414, SENAPATI BAPAT MARG,
LOWER PAREL,
MUMBAI, MH - 400 013

14. THE MANAGER,
ZEE TV SE ASIA
CHINTAMANI PLAZA,
3RD FLOOR, OFF ANDHERI KURLA ROAD,
CHAKALA, ANDHERI (EAST) MUMBAI
15. THE MANAGER,
CNN-IBN
GLOBAL BROADCAST NEWS
EXPRESS TRADE TOWER,
PLOT NO. 15-16, SECTOR - 16A NOIDA
16. THE MANAGER,
TIMES NOW
TRADE HOUSE, 1ST FLOOR,
KAMALA MILLS COMPOUND,
SENAPATI BAFAT MARG,
LOWER PAREL, MUMBAI
17. THE MANAGER,
NTV-TELUGU,
564 A/19, LII ROAD NO. 92, JUBILEE HILLS,
HYDERABAD - 500 033, ANDHRA PRADESH
18. THE MANAGER,
INDIA NEWS,
276 CAPT. GAUR MARG. SRINIVASPURI CITY
NEW DELHI COUNTRY - 110 065.
19. THE MANAGER,
EENADU, 6-3-569/3, EENADU COMPLEX,
SOMAJIGUDA,
HYDERABAD - 500 082

20. THE MANAGER,
TV 9,
TV9/97, ROAD NO:3, BANJARA HILLS,
HYDERABAD - 500 034
21. THE MANAGER,
THE NEW INDIAN EXPRESS
EXPRESS GARDENS, 29, SECOND MAIN ROAD,
AMBATTUR INDUSTRIAL ESTATE,
CHENNAI - 600 058, TAMIL NADU
22. THE MANAGER,
DINAKARAN,
NO.24, ARCOT ROAD, VELLORE,
TAMILNADU - 632 004
23. THE MANAGER,
DELHI TRIBUNE C-1/133,
JANAKPURI, NEW DELHI.
24. THE MANAGER,
THE NEW INDIA EXPRESS
EXPRESS HOUSE, KALOOR,
KOCHI - 682 017, KERALA
25. THE MANAGER,
DECCAN HERALD,
#75, MAHATMA GANDHI ROAD,
BANGALORE - 560 001
26. THE MANAGER,
THE TIMES OF INDIA,
#40/1, S.B TOWERS, M.G. ROAD,
BANGALORE - 560 001

27. THE MANAGER,
DECCAN CHRONICLE,
#58, 5TH FLOOR,
H.M. TOWERS BRIGADE ROAD,
BANGALORE
28. THE MANAGER,
BANGALORE MIRROR,
#4, KCCF COMPOUND,
PAMPAMAHAKAVI ROAD,
CHAMARAJPET, BANGALORE.
29. THE MANAGER,
DNA ENGLISH DAILY,
PRESTIGE SOLITAIRE, GROUND FLOOR,
6 BRUNTON ROAD, (OFF) M.G. ROAD,
BANGALORE - 560 025
30. THE MANAGER,
THE NEW INDIAN EXPRESS
QUEENS ROAD, BANGALORE - 560 001
31. THE MANAGER,
HOSADIGANTHA
HOSA@8TH MAIN, MALLESWARAM,
BANGALORE - 560 001
32. THE MANAGER,
UDAYAVANI, 201, MANIPAL CENTRE 2ND FLOOR,
DICKENSON ROAD,
BANGALORE - 560 042
33. THE MANAGER,
KANNADA PREBHA,
#1, QUEENS ROAD,
BANGALORE - 560 001

34. THE MANAGER,
VAARTHA BHARATHI,
#4-1, 2ND FLOOR,
HAMEED SHA COMPOUND,
BANGALORE - 560 002
 35. THE MANAGER,
PRAJAVANI,
#75, M.G. ROAD,
BANGALORE - 560 001
 36. THE MANAGER,
SAMYUKTA KARNATAKA
#2, RESIDENCY ROAD,
BANGALORE - 560 025
 37. THE MANAGER,
SANJEVANI
#11/12, HONEY HOUSE QUEEN'S ROAD,
BANGALORE - 560 052
 38. THE MANAGER,
EE-SANJE,
#2/4, DR. RAJKUMAR ROAD,
RAJAJINAGAR,
BANGALORE - 560 010
 39. THE MANAGER,
VIJAYA KARNATAKA
#4, KCCF COMPOUND,
PAMPAMAHAKAVI ROAD,
CHAMARAJPET,
BANGALORE - 560 018
- ... RESPONDENTS

(BY SMT. M.C. NAGASHREE, HCGP FOR R1, R2
SRI. C. SHASHIKANTHA, CGC FOR R3

M/S. POOVAYYA & CO., ADV. FOR R4
SRI. S.N. BHAT, ADV. FOR R6
M/S. UNIVERSAL LEGAL, ADV. FOR R16, R26, R28, R39
SRI. M. JAIPRAKASH REDDY, ADV. FOR R19
SRI. DIWAKARA & ASSTS., ADV. FOR R20
SRI. LAKSHMINARAYANA N. HEDGE, ADV. FOR R31
M/S. MUFTHI LAW CHAMBERS, ADV. FOR R34
R5, R7, R14, R17, R21, R24, R25, R27, R29, R30, R32, R33,
R35, R38 SERVED
NOTICE TO R9 TO R13, R15, R22, R23, R36 & R37
DISPENSED WITH
NOTICE TO R18 HELD SUFFICIENT)

THIS PETITION IS FILED UNDER ARTICLE OF THE CONSTITUTION OF INDIA PRAYING TO (A) RESTRAIN ALL RESPONDENTS FROM TELECASTING THE SAID CLIPPINGS SO THAT, THERE WOULD PREVAIL PROTECTION OF PUBLIC MORALS AND FOR THE FURTHER PROTECTION OF FUNDAMENTAL AND STATUTORY RIGHT OF THE PETITIONERS WHICH SHALL NOT BE DEPRIVED OF HER DIGNITY, REPUTATION AND PRIVACY IN ANY MANNER. (B) TO NOT ONLY STOP THE RESPONDENTS FROM BLOCKING ALL THE CLIPPINGS WHICH PROVIDE FOR VIEWING OF THE SCANDALOUS VIDEO BUT ALSO STOP USING ALL/ANY IMAGES, STATEMENTS, REFERENCE, NEWS PAPER CLIPPINGS, ARTICLES AMONGST OTHERS WHERE THE SCANDAL CLIPPINGS OF THE ALLEGED IMAGE OF PETITIONER HAS BEEN USED, UTTERED AND/OR REFERRED.

THIS WRIT PETITION COMING ON FOR FURTHER ORDERS THIS DAY, THE COURT PASSED THE FOLLOWING:

ORDER

The petitioner contends that she has filed an application as per Annexure-F dated 29.01.2011 requesting the Hon'ble Minister for Information and Broadcasting, Shastri Bhavan, New Delhi to take appropriate action against the Respondents/Electronic media.

2. The 3rd respondent has filed a counter stating that the said representation has been referred to the 4th respondent. Therefore, the 4th respondent is required to consider the representation in accordance with law. With these observations, the writ petition is disposed of. No costs.

Sd/-
JUDGE

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