

HIGH COURT OF ANDHRA PRADESH :: AMARAVATI

MAIN CASE No: W.P.No.5298 of 2022

PROCEEDING SHEET

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01	28.02.2022	<u>DVSS, J</u> Heard the learned counsel for the petitioner and the learned Government Pleader for Home, appearing for respondent No.5. Learned Government Pleader for Revenue appearing for respondent Nos. 2 to 4 seeks time to get his instructions. The instructions given to the learned Government Pleader for Home are to the effect that they did not interfere in the screening of the new cinema in the petitioner's theater or in any other issue. According to the instructions the police officials merely went there to provide bundobust duty for the new film that is released. After hearing the counsel for the petitioner and considering the submissions what he has submitted and noticing the earlier orders passed, wherein the power of the Government to fix the rates itself is the subject matter of the challenge in W.P.No.27268 of 2021 and batch and also considering the interim order passed therein, this Court is of the opinion that the issues raised in the Writ Petition merit consideration. Interim order granted by the learned single judge was also confirmed in part by the Division Bench. Thereafter in another case in	

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		W.P.No.31230 of 2021, a similarly placed exhibiter has approached this Court stating that revenue officials have highhandedly closed his theater. This Court was convinced and passed orders restraining the respondents therein from interfering with the petitioner's business activity. In this case also the petitioner submits that pursuant to the order passed by the learned single Judge as confirmed by the Division Bench he has submitted a representation to the Joint Collector for fixing the rates of admission, but the Joint Collector has not yet taken any decision. Considering all of the above earlier orders passed by the learned Division Bench in W.P.No.31230 of 2021 and the orders in the batch this Court is of the opinion that the petitioner has made out a case for interference at this stage. Accordingly there shall be a direction to respondents 2 to 4 not to restrain the petitioner from screening or exhibiting the film in his theater till the next date of hearing. List on 07.03.2022. DVSS,J <i>Note: Issue CC today B/o Ssv</i>	

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