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(SHOW CAUSE NOTICE BEFORE ADMISSION)
HIGH COURT FOR THE STATE OF TELANGANA AT HYDERABAD

MONDAY, THE FOURTH DAY OF MAY
TWO THOUSAND AND TWENTY SIX

:PRESENT:
THE HONOURABLE SMT JUSTICE RENUKA YARA
WP NO: 14603 OF 2026

Between

Dark Horse Hospitality And Events LLP, Having its registered office at Plot No- 346, 8-2-293/82/ A/346/1, Sy. No. 6 and 7, Jubilee Hills, Jubilee Hills Co-op Society, Shaikpet, Hyderabad, Telangana-500033 Rep. by its Managing Partner, Sushil Augustine.

Petitioner

AND

1. Union of India, represented by the Secretary, Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade, Udyog Bhawan, New Delhi - 110011
2. Registrar of Copyrights, Bouddhik Sampada Bhawan, Plot No. 32, Sector 14, Dwarka, New Delhi-110078
3. Phonographic Performance Ltd, A company registered under Companies Act 2013 Having its registered office at 7th Floor, Crescent Towers, B-68, Veera Estate, Off New Link Road, Andheri (W), Mumbai - 400053
Also at H. No. 6-3-596/79, Sri Sai Karthik Enclave, Plot No. 19, 3rd Floor, Naveen Nagar, Road No. 1, Banjara Hills, Hyderabad. Represented by its State Head, Sri B. Srikanth Naik

Respondents

WHEREAS the Petitioner above named through his Advocate SRI K SUYODH REDDY presented this Petition under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying that in the circumstances stated in the affidavit filed therewith, the High Court may be pleased to issue an appropriate order, direction, or Writ, more particularly one in the nature of a Writ of Mandamus, declaring the action of the Respondent No.2 in not disposing the representation of the petitioner dated 24.02.2026, by conducting enquiry against the actions of Respondent No.3 in carrying out business of granting licenses in violation of Section 33 of the Copyright Act, 1957, being illegal, arbitrary, high-handed, and an abuse of official position, apart from being violative of Articles 14 and 19(1)(g) of

the Constitution of India and consequently to direct the Respondent No. 2 herein to conduct a detailed enquiry on representation dated 24.02.2026 submitted by the Petitioner and take appropriate action against the Respondent No.3, in the interest of Justice.

AND WHEREAS the High Court upon perusing the petition and Affidavit filed herein and upon hearing the arguments of Sri. K SUYODH REDDY Advocate for the Petitioner, SRI N. BHUJANGA RAO, DSSGI for respondent No.1, directed issue of notice to the Respondent Nos. 2 and 3, herein to show cause as to why this WRIT PETITION should not be admitted.

You viz:

1. Registrar of Copyrights, Bouddhik Sampada Bhawan, Plot No. 32, Sector 14, Dwarka, New Delhi-110078
2. Phonographic Performance Ltd, A company registered under Companies Act 2013 Having its registered office at 7th Floor, Crescent Towers, B-68, Veera Estate, Off New Link Road, Andheri (W), Mumbai - 400053 Also at H. No. 6-3-596/79, Sri Sai Karthik Enclave, Plot No. 19, 3rd Floor, Naveen Nagar, Road No. 1, Banjara Hills, Hyderabad. Represented by its State Head, Sri B. Srikanth Naik

are directed to show cause on or before 19.06.2026 to which date the case stands posted as to why in the circumstances set out in the petition and the affidavit filed therewith (copy enclosed) this WRIT PETITION should not be admitted.

The Court made the following:

ORDER

Mr. N. Bhujanga Rao, learned Deputy Solicitor General of India takes notice for respondent No.1-Union of India and seeks time to file counter in this matter.

Issue notice to the respondent Nos.2 & 3.

Personal notice is permitted.

List this matter on 19.06.2026.

**Sd/- C.DEEPIKA
ASSISTANT REGISTRAR**

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SECTION OFFICER

To,

1. Registrar of Copyrights, Bouddhik Sampada Bhawan, Plot No. 32, Sector 14, Dwarka, New Delhi-110078[by SPAD-along with a copy of petition and affidavit]
2. Sri B. Srikanth Naik, State Head, Phonographic Performance Ltd, A company registered under Companies Act 2013 Having its registered office at 7th Floor, Crescent Towers, B-68, Veera Estate, Off New Link Road, Andheri (W), Mumbai - 400053 Also at H. No. 6-3-596/79, Sri Sai Karthik Enclave, Plot No. 19, 3rd Floor, Naveen Nagar, Road No. 1, Banjara Hills, Hyderabad. [by SPAD-along with a copy of petition and affidavit]
3. One CC to Sri. K SUYODH REDDY Advocate [OPUC]
4. One CC to Sri. N BHUJANGA RAO Deputy Solicitor General of India Advocate [OPUC]
5. One spare copy



HIGH COURT

RY, J

DATED: 04-05-2026

LIST ON 19.06.2026

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