

CONTEMPT P.(Civil) 109 OF 2003

ITEM NO.44
A/N

COURT NO.1

SECTION IX

S U P R E M E C O U R T O F I N D I A
RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Con.Petition No.109/2003 in C.A.No.3910/2001

ANAND PATWARDHAN

Petitioner (s)

VERSUS

S.Y. QURAISHI

Respondent (s)

(With office report)

Date : 25/08/2003 This Petition was called on for hearing today.

CORAM :

HON'BLE THE CHIEF JUSTICE
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE S.B. SINHA

For petitioner (s) Mr. Prashant Bhushan, Adv.

For respondent (s)Mr. Rajeev Sharma, Adv.

UPON hearing counsel, the Court made the following
O R D E R

The contempt petition is disposed of.

(Alka Dudeja) (Suraj Parkash)
Court Master Court Master

(Signed order is placed on the file.)

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF INDIA

CIVIL ORIGINAL JURISDICTION

Con.Petition No.109/2003 in C.A.No.3910/2001

ANAND PATWARDHAN

Petitioner (s)

VERSUS

S.Y. QURAISHI

Respondent (s)

O R D E R

By order of this Court dated 12th December, 2001, it was directed that the respondent herein to constitute a Committee so as to consider the proposal of the petitioner herein. It appears that the said order was not complied with earlier. Under such circumstances, the petitioner filed this contempt petition for taking appropriate action against the alleged contemnor, who violated the order. Now a counter affidavit has been filed wherein it is stated that the Committee, as per the order of this Court, has been constituted and the proposal of the petitioner has also been considered. However, the Prasar Bharati Board did not approve telecast of the film in question on the ground that the Censor Board has certified that film is fit for viewing by the adults only. In that view of the matter, no action is required to be taken against the respondent.

-2-

Consequently, the notice issued to the respondent is hereby discharged. However, the disapproval to telecast the film in question by the Prasar Bharti is a subsequent event and if the petitioner feels aggrieved against that order, it is open to him to challenge the same before an appropriate forum. This legal position has also been expressed by a Bench of three learned Judges of this Court in J.S. Parihar Vs. Ganpat Duggar and Ors., reported in 1996 (6) SCC 291. The contempt petition, accordingly, stands disposed of.

.....CJI.

.....J.

(S.B. Sinha)

New Delhi,
August 25, 2003.

