

**A.No.2298 of 2018**  
**in**  
**C.S.D.No.12478 of 2018**

**M.SUNDAR.J.,**

Suit pertains to Copyright of the plaintiff in a cinematograph film which goes by the title "Hichki" in Hindi language, Starring Rani Mukerji and others, directed by Siddharth P Malhotra (hereinafter referred to as "Said Film"). Suit has been filed alleging possible infringement of plaintiff's copyright in the said film. It is submitted that the suit film is due for theoretical release including release in 4200 theatres in Chennai within the territorial jurisdiction of this Court. Therefore, it is the case of the plaintiff that substantial part of the cause of action would arise within the territorial jurisdiction of this Court. However, in the light of defendants 1 to 3, 5 to 14, 16 to 30, 33, 35 to 38 residing and/or carrying on business outside the territorial jurisdiction of this Court, the instant application under Clause 12 of the Letters Patent has been filed with a prayer for leave to sue.

2. Having heard Mr. Arun C Mohan and having perused the affidavit filed in support of this leave to sue application, I am convinced that the prayer for leave to sue deserves to be acceded to. This Court expresses its intention to exercise jurisdiction over the entire suit including the

aforesaid defendants. To be noted, this is an expression of intention to exercise jurisdiction, which is otherwise inherent. In other words, this leave to sue application is allowed.

**15.03.2018**

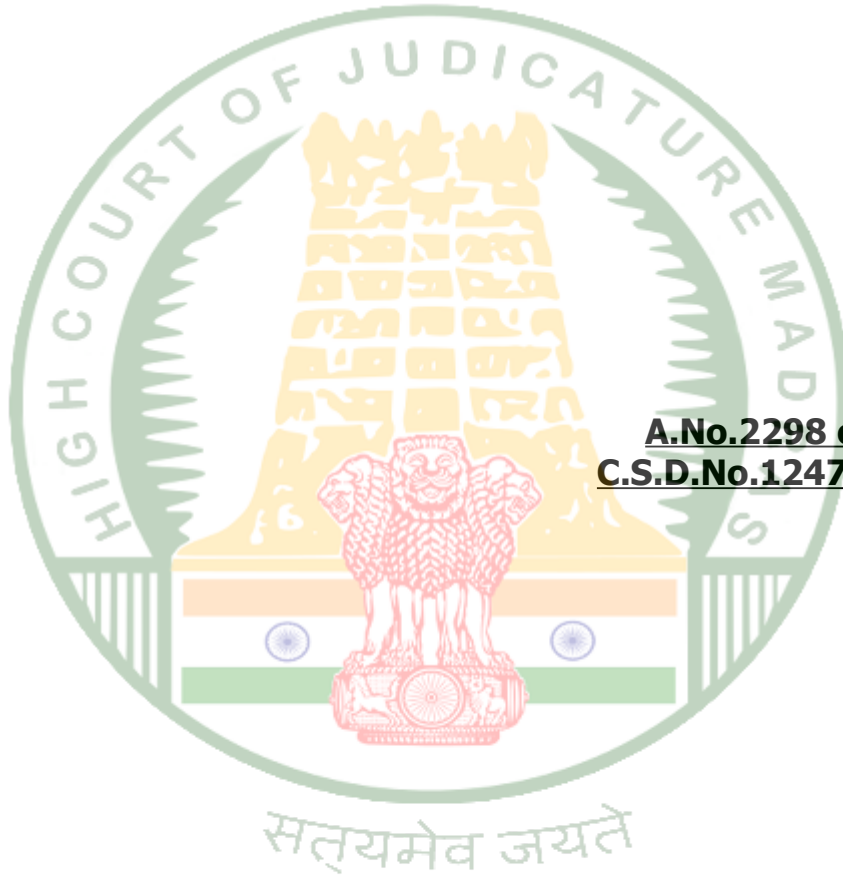
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