

WPPIL No. 149 of 2014

**Hon'ble Rajiv Sharma, J.**

**Hon'ble Lok Pal Singh, J.**

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Respondent no.2 issues U/A certificate. There is violation of the guidelines issued by the Ministry, the children below the age of 12 years are not restrained to enter cinema halls/multiplexes, where "A" certificate films are screened. There is a violation of cable television network Rules, 1994. The posters are vulgar and display nudity. There is indecent representation of women, which is derogatory to women. These films are also shown by the pirated videos and DVD/CD. These movies are affecting the children of impressionable age. The posters are affixed at different public places open to public gaze including minor children. The steps should be taken to ensure that there is no obscenity, nudity and semi nudity in the films and glorification of wine, liquor and drugs in the songs.

The Court can also take judicial notice of the fact glorifying of the liquor, wine, drugs etc. has played havoc with the psyche of the children.

The State Government should have taken preventive steps to ensure that no song glorifying liquor, wine, drugs is permitted to be played in the State of Uttarakhand to promote morality and decency in the society.

The glorification of liquor is also now used in folk songs.

Accordingly, the writ petition is disposed of with the direction to the

respondent no.2 to strictly enforce the directions issued vide annexure no.1 while undertaking certification of the films for public exhibition.

The Director General of Police, Uttarakhand is directed to ensure that no songs are played glorifying the liquor, wine and drugs in any song even in live shows including folk songs in the State of Uttarakhand.

The District administration is directed to ensure that no nude posters, semi-nude posters, obscene posters are displayed in any districts of the State of Uttarakhand at public places.

The District administration is also directed to ensure that children below the age of 12 years are not permitted to enter cinema halls, multiplex and theaters exhibiting "A" certificate films.

**(Lok Pal Singh, J.)**

**(Rajiv Sharma, J.)**

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