

BEFORE THE FILM CERTIFICATION APPELLATE TRIBUNAL

Tuesday, 19th August, 2014

Present: Shri Lalit Bhasin, Chairperson

IN THE MATTER OF:

VA Padmanabha Reddy, PRODUCER

.....APPELLANT

VERSUS

CENTRAL BOARD OF FILM CERTIFICATION, HYDERABADRESPONDENT

APPEAL UNDER SECTION 5-C OF THE CINEMATOGRAPH ACT, 1952 (37 OF 1952) AGAINST THE DECISION OF CENTRAL BOARD OF FILM CERTIFICATION (CBFC) IN RESPECT OF TELUGU FEATURE FILM "JAGANNAYAKUDU"

Appearances

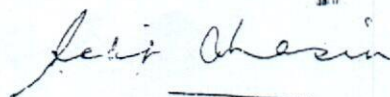
VA Padmanabha Reddy, Producer

....for the Appellant

ORDER

1. This is an appeal under Section 5-C of the Cinematograph Act, 1952 (37 of 1952) filed by VA Padmanabha Reddy, Producer.
2. Shri Vipin Gogia informed to the Secretary, FCAT telephonically that he could not attend today's hearing.
3. The Chairman would have adjourned the matter but keeping in view the expense incurred by the appellant in coming all the way from Hyderabad, the parties have desired that the Chairman should proceed with the hearing and viewing of the movie.

4. The Chairman has gone through the provisions of the Cinematograph Act as well as rules thereunder. Unlike the provisions relating to a quorum for a meeting of the CFBC, there is no provision for a quorum as far as FCAT is concerned. Keeping in view the legal provisions as well as the request of the parties and in the interest of justice and expeditious disposal of the appeal the Chairman decided to proceed with the hearing singly.
5. The Tribunal has heard Mr. VA Padmanabha Reddy who is Producer as well as Director of the film and is also representing the appellant. Shri Rajkumar, Regional Officer, Delhi is also present on behalf of the Central Board of Film Certification, Hyderabad.
6. This Tribunal had directed the appellant to carry out certain deletions as stated in the order passed by the Tribunal vide letter dated 22 July, 2014. We have received the response of the CFBC, Hyderabad letter dated 4th August, 2014 wherein detailed list of scenes / dialogues have been set out and the learned RO confirms that the said scenes / dialogues have been deleted in view of the fact that the objectionable features of the film as reflected in the certain scenes and dialogues have been deleted, this Tribunal directs that "A' Certificate be given for the film.
7. We order accordingly. Parties to be informed accordingly.



(J ALIT) BHASIN

CHAIRPERSON, FCAT