

BEFORE THE FILM CERTIFICATION APPELLATE TRIBUNAL

24th November, 2017

Present: CHIEF JUSTICE (RETD.) MANMOHAN SARIN,
CHAIRPERSON, FCAT
MS. BINA GUPTA, MEMBER, FCAT
Mr. SHEKHAR IYER, MEMBER, FCAT

FOR THE APPELLANT: SHRI SANTOSH HARIPRASAD PANDEY

IN THE MATTER OF:

SHRI SANTOSH HARIPRASAD APPELLANT
PANDEY

VERSUS

CENTRAL BOARD OF FILM RESPONDENT
CERTIFICATION (CBFC), MUMBAI
(NEMO)

APPEAL UNDER SECTION 5C OF THE CINEMATOGRAPH ACT, 1952 (37 OF 1952) AGAINST THE DECISION OF CENTRAL BOARD OF FILM CERTIFICATION (CBFC) IN RESPECT OF BHOJPURI FILM "SUHAGRAAT CHORVA KE SAATH".

ORDER

This is an appeal under Section 5C of the Cinematograph Act, 1952 (37 of 1952) assailing the Order No.VIL/18/2017-MUM dated 23.06.2017 whereby the Examining Committee of the CBFC has refused 'U/UA' certification to the Bhojpuri film 'Suhagraat Chorva Ke Saath'.

2. Aggrieved by the aforesaid order of the Examining Committee of CBFC, the appellant has filed the present appeal.

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3. The movie was screened for the Tribunal on 11th October, 2017 and the Appellant was heard. On perusal of the impugned order and the records as received from CBFC, we found that the Members of the Examining Committee have reported that the movie has several double meaning dialogues. From the viewing of the movie and the English translation of the script provided to us, we were unable to appreciate and discern the double meaning dialogues. The Appellant was directed to file authenticated Hindi translation of the Bojpuri script. The same has since been filed. The Tribunal has perused the said script.

4. The film is a light hearted comedy and does not contain any explicit sex scenes, violence etc. The film is a low budget film and appears to be inspired by Hindi movie GOLMAAL series.


5. The appellant is directed to delete the following scenes. Upon the said deletions being made, it is directed that 'UA' certificate for satellite exhibition may be issued.

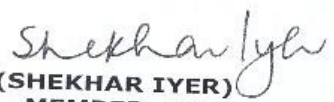
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| 1 | 00.15.58-00.16.00 | Delete the close shot of Saloni's navel |
| 2 | 00.16.10-00.16.27 | Delete the scene of Bhola mounting on Saloni |
| 3 | 00.38.49-00.39.14 | Delete the scene of Bhola getting excited watching TV |
| 4 | 00.40.10-00.40.48 | Delete the scene of 'Murli with Saloni' |

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| 5 | 01.57.03-01.57.31 | Delete the scene 'Murli mouting Saloni' |
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6. The appeal is disposed of with the aforesaid directions. Copy of the order be furnished to both the parties forthwith.


(BINA GUPTA)
MEMBER, FCAT


(SHEKHAR IYER)
MEMBER, FCAT


(CHIEF JUSTICE (RETD.) MANMOHAN SARIN)
CHAIRPERSON (FCAT)