2019

N THE HIGH COURT OF KARNATAKA AT BENGALURU
DATED THIS THE 17TH DAY OF DECEMBER 2019
BEFORE

THE HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE S. SUNIL DUTT YADAV WRIT PETITION NO. 51723 / 2019 (LB-BMP)

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PETITIONERS:

1. RETAILERS ASSOCIATION OF INDIA A COMPANY WITHIN THE MEANING OF COMPANIES ACT 2013 HAVING ITS REGISTERED OFFICE AT 111/112 ASCOT CENTRE, SAHAR ROAD, SAHAR ANDHERI (EAST) MUMBAI, REP BY ITS AUTHORIZED SIGNATORY, AKSHAY KALE, AGED ABOUT 32 YEARS AND 23 OTHERS

By Sri. SANJANTHI SAJAN POOVAYYA, ADV.,

Vs

RESPONDENTS:

- 1 . BRUHATH BENGALURU MAHANAGARA PALIKE THROUGH ITS COMMISSIONER , HAVING ITS OFFICE AT NARASIMHARAJA SQUARE BANGALORE 560002.
- 2 . UNDER SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT URBAN DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT, (URBAN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITIES AND TOWN PLANNING MATTERS) ROOM NO 428, 4TH FLOOR VIKASA SOUDHA BENGALURU - 560001
- 3 . MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH BRUHAT BENGALURU MAHANAGARA PALIKE, HAVING ITS OFFICE AT BTM ZONE BBMP BUILIDNG, 16TH MAIN ROAD, OPPOSITE TO CHAMUNDESHWARI TEMPLE BTM 2ND STAGE BENGALURU - 560076
- 4 . MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH BRUHAT BENGALURU MAHANAGARA PALIKE, VIJAYANAGAR ZONE, HAVING ITS OFFICE AT 1ST MAIN MANAVANA VIJAYANAGAR, BENGALURU - 560040
- 5 . MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH BRUHAT BENGALURU MAHANAGARA PALIKE, MALLESHWARAM ZONE, HAVING ITS OFFICE AT BBMP BUILDING, 5TH CROSS, KUVEMPU ROAD, MALLESHWARAM
- 6. MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH BRUHAT BENGALURU MAHANAGARA PALIKE, JAYANAGAR ZONE, HAVING ITS OFFICE AT JAYANAGAR 4TH BLOCK, JAYANAGAR COMMERCIAL COMPLEX AST FLOOR, BENGALURU – 560011.

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7 . MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH BRUHAT BENGALURU MAHANAGARA PALIKE, SARVAGYANAGAR ZONE, HAVING ITS OFFICE AT SARVAGYANAGAR COX TOWN, BENGALURU - 560005

AGA FOR R2, SRI. S.N. PRASAD, ADV., FOR R1, R3, R4 TO R7

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Whereas, a Writ Petition filed by the above named Petitioner under Article 226 & 227 of the Constitution of India, has been registered by this Court.

After hearing, the Court made the following

: ORDER:

(COPY OF THE ORDER DATED 17.12.2019 IS ENCLOSED SEPARATELY)

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BEFORE THE HON'BLE HIGH COURT OF KARNATAKA, AT BENGALURU

ORIGINAL JURISDICTION

W.P. No. 51783 / 2019 (LB-BMP)

BETWEEN:

1. Retailers Association of India,

A Company within the meaning of Companies Act, 2013 Having its registered office at 111/112, Ascot Centre, Sahar Road, Sahar, Andheri (East) Mumbai-400099 Represented by its authorized signatory Akshay Kale, aged about 32 years.

2. Aditya Birla Fashion and Retail Limited,

A Company within the meaning of Companies Act, 2013
Having its registered office at
701-704, 7TH Floor,
Skyline Icon Business Park,
86-92 off A.K. Road,
Marol Village,
Andheri East,
Mumbai- 400059

Also having its office at Kh. No. 118/110/1 Divyasree Technopolis, Building- 2, Yemlur Post, off HAL Airport Road, Bengaluru- 560 0 37 Represented by its authorised signatory

Titan Company Limited

A Company within the meaning of Companies Act, 2013 Having its registered office at #3, SIPCOT Industrial Complex, Hosur, Tamil Nadu 635 129

Also having its office at No. 193, Veerasandra, Electronic City Post, Off Hosur Road, Bengaluru 560 100



Represented by its Senior Manager Legal, Ramesh Bhat K, aged about 42 years.

4. Rhea Retail Private Limited

A company within the meaning of Companies Act, 2013 Having its registered office at 4th floor, Court House, Lokmanya Tilak Marg, Dhobi Talao, Mumbai – 400 002

Also having office at:
No. 74/2, S S Plaza,
Other Ring Road, Jay bheema Nagar,
BTM 1st stage, Bengaluru 560 068
Represented by its
authorized signatory
G N Gopala, aged about 56 years.

5. Mountain Trail Foods Private Limited

A company within the meaning of Companies Act, 2013
Having its registered office at
Umiya Emporium 1, 2nd Floor, Opposite Big Bazaar,
Bengaluru, Karnataka 560 029
Represented by its
Authorized signatory
Amuleek Singh Bijral, aged about 36 years.

6. Apsara Ice Creams LLP

A company within the meaning of Companies Act, 2013
Having its registered office at
100/1B, 2nd Main Road, 10th Cross Rd, Indira Nagar 1st
Stage, Bengaluru, Karnataka 560038
Represented by its
Authorized Signatory
Keyur Shah, aged about 34 years.

7. Kamath Ourtimes Ice Creams Private Limited

A company within the meaning of Companies Act, 2013
Having its registered office at
55abcd, Kandivali Industrial Estate, Charkop Gaon,
Kandivali, Mumbai, Maharashtra
Represented by its
Director

Girish Ramnath Pai, aged about 50 years.

Nature Baskets Limited

A company within the meaning of Companies Act, 2013 Having its registered office at 2nd Floor, Spencer Building, 30 Forjett Street, Grant Road (West), Mumbai - 400036 Represented by its Authorized Signatory K Adil, aged about 41 years.

9. Trent Limited

A company within the meaning of Companies Act, 2013 Having its registered office at GE-O, Sunrise Chambers, 22 Ulsoor Road Bengaluru 560 042 Represented by its Authorized Signatory Jahan Chokshi, aged about 30 years.

H & M Hennes & Mauritz Retail Limited 10.

A company within the meaning of Companies Act, 2013 Having its registered office at Trinity circle, MG Road, Bhaskaran Rd, Someshwarpura, Halasuru, Bengaluru 560008 Represented by its Authorized Signatory Anuja Rustagi, aged about 41 years.

Adidas India Marketing Private Limited

A company within the meaning of Companies Act, 2013 Having its registered office at Office No. 6, 2nd Floor, Sector B, Pocket No. 7, Plot No. 11, Vasant Kunj New Delhi 110070 Represented by its Authorized Signatory Vivek Tyagi, aged about 41 years.

Levi Strauss (India) Private Limited

A company within the meaning of Companies Act, 2013 Having its registered office at ITC Green Centre, No.18, 4th & 5th floor 100 Banaswadi Main Road, Maruthiseva Nagar Bangalore 560 005 Represented by its

Authorized Signatory Arunkumar Nath, aged about 46 years.

13. Arvind Lifestyles Brands Limited

No.17, 10th Floor, Du Parc Trinity, MG Road, Bangalore 560001 Represented by its Authorized Signatory Manikandan, aged about 42 years.

14. Global Clothing Private Limited

A company within the meaning of Companies Act, 2013 Having its registered office at No.106/138 Nagawara Main Road, Kasaba Hobli, Bengaluru 560045 Represented by its Authorized Signatory K Saravanan, aged about 57 years.

15. Infiniti Retail Limited

A company within the meaning of Companies Act, 2013 Having its registered office at Unit No. 701 & 702, Wing A, 7th Floor, Kaledonia, Sahar Road, Andheri East Mumbai 400069 Represented by its Authorized Signatory A P K Chettiar, aged about 54 years.

16. Forever New Apparels Private Limited

A company within the meaning of Companies Act, 2013
Having its registered office at
B-304, New Friends Colony,
New Delhi 110065
Represented by its
Authorized Signatory
Dhruv Bogra, aged about 51 years.

17. Lifestyle International Private Limited

A company within the meaning of Companies Act, 2013 Having its registered office at 77th Town Center, Building No.3, West Wing, Off HAL Airport Road, Yelmur P O Bengaluru - 560 037

Represented by its Authorized Signatory Ramaprasad S, aged about 53 years.

18. Sapphire Foods India Private Limited

A company within the meaning of Companies Act, 2013
Having its registered office at
702, Prism Tower, A Wing,
Mindspace, Link Road, Goregaon (West),
Mumbai 400 062
Represented by its
Authorized Signatory
Niraj Patil, aged about 41 years.

19. Future Retail Limited

A company within the meaning of Companies Act, 2013
Having its registered office at
Knowledge House, Shyam Nagar,
Off. Jogeshwari- Vikhroli Link Road,
Jogeshwari (E),
Mumbai 400060
Represented by its
Authorized Signatory
Rajesh Kumar Gupta, aged about 46 years.

20. Metro Brands Limited

A company within the meaning of Companies Act, 2013 Having its registered office at 401, Zillion, 4th Floor, LBS Marg & CST Road Junction, Kurla (West), Mumbai 400 070 Represented by its Authorized Signatory JaiPrakash J Desai, aged about 36 years

21. Hardcastle Restaurants Private Limited

A company within the meaning of Companies Act, 2013
Having its registered office at
1001-1002, 10th Floor, Tower 3, Indiabulls Finance Centre,
Senapati Bapat Marg, Mumbai MH 400013 IN
Represented by its
Authorized Signatory
Vinesh Shanbhag aged about 40 years

22. Shoppers Stop Private Limited

A company within the meaning of Companies Act, 2013 Having its registered office at Umang Tower, 5th Floor, Mindspace, Off. Link Road, Malad (West)

Mumbai 400 064 Represented by its Authorized Signatory Rajeev Chhabra aged about 42 years

23. Vedant Fashions Private Limited

A company within the meaning of Companies Act, 2013
Having its registered office at
Paridhan Garment Park 19 Canal South Road,
SDF-1,4th Floor,
A501-A502 Kolkata 700 015
Represented by its
Authorized Signatory
Navin Pareek aged about 38 years

24. Raymond Limited

A company within the meaning of Companies Act, 2013
Having its registered office at
Plot No 156/H No.2
village Zadgaon
Ratnagiri 415 612
Represented by its
Authorized Signatory
Gautam Rohidekar aged about 31 years

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ORDER

The petitioners have challenged the circulars dated 22.07.2017, 30.07.2018, 02.11.2019 at Annexures-'A' to 'C' respectively, order dated 19.10.2019 at Annexure-'D', notice dated 31.10.2019 at Annexure-'E and also the notices at Annexures-'F' to 'H'.

It is contended that on an earlier occasion, the petitioners had challenged the circulars issued by the respondent – Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike (BBMP) stipulating the dimension of Kannada lettering and English lettering in the name boards.

Attention is drawn to the affidavit filed by respondent – BBMP in Writ Petition Nos.40652-40653/2018 (LB-BMP) wherein, the respondent – BBMP had undertaken not to take any precipitative action in



furtherance of circulars which are challenged in the present writ petition.

Taking note of the said affidavit, this Court had disposed off Writ Petition Nos.40652-40653/2018, reserving liberty to the petitioners to seek for similar relief, if cause of action arises subsequently.

The petitioners state that once again the respondent – BBMP referring to the earlier circular dated 22.07.2017 and is seeking to compel the petitioners to adhere to the new circulars which are identical to the circular dated 22.07.2017, which were subject matter of earlier writ petitions in which BBMP had undertaken not to take any precipitative action pursuant to the impugned circular.

The learned counsel appearing for respondent – BBMP seeks time to obtain instructions and make submissions.



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In light of the order passed and undertaking made Writ in Nos.40652-40653/2018, Petition the respondent-BBMP is restrained from taking action pursuant to the circulars dated 22.07.2017. 30.07.2018, 02.11.2019 at Annexures-'A' 'C' respectively, order dated 19.10.2019 at Annexure-'D'. notice dated 31.10.2019 at Annexure-'E and also the notices at Annexures-'F' to 'H'. However, it is made clear that this interim order enures to the benefit of the petitioners in this writ petition.

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