IN THE HIGH COURT OF KERALA AT ERNAKULAM

PRESENT

THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE P.B. SURESH KUMAR

FRIDAY, THE 29TH DAY OF NOVEMBER 2019 / 8TH AGRAHAYANA, 1941

WP(C).No.32541 OF 2019(P)

PETITIONER:

LITHA P.T.

STUDYING IN GHSS, CHAVASSERY REPRESENTED BY HER MOTHER AND LEGAL GUARDIAN C P LALI, W/O EDVIN FRANCIS, AGED 47 YEARS, LITHA HOUSE, URUVACHAL (PO) CHAVASSERY, KANNUR DISTRICT-670 702.

BY ADV. SRI.NIDHI BALACHANDRAN

RESPONDENTS:

- 1 STATE OF KERALA
 REPRESENTED BY SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT,
 DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL EDUCATION, SECRETARIAT,
 THIRUVANANTHAPURAM-01.
- THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTIONS, VAZHUTHAKAUD-POOJAPURA ROAD JUNCTION, JAGATHY, THIRUVANANTHAPURAM-695 014.
- THE CONVENER,

 PROGRAM COMMITTEE, KERALA STATE KALOLSAVAM,

 KANHANGAD-671 315.

THE CHAIRMAN,

APPEAL COMMITTEE KANNUR, REVENUE DISTRICT

KALOLSAVAM AND DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION,

KANNUR-670002.

BY GOVERNMENT PLEADER SMT. RASMI K.M.

THIS WRIT PETITION (CIVIL) HAVING COME UP FOR ADMISSION ON 29.11.2019, THE COURT ON THE SAME DAY DELIVERED THE FOLLOWING:

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JUDGMENT

The petitioner has participated in the District Level Competitions conducted as part of the State School Kalolsavam for the event Nadodinritham (girls). The petitioner could secure only third place in the competition. Only those candidates who could secure A grade and first place are entitled to participate in the State level competitions. As the petitioner was unable to participate in the State level competitions, she preferred an appeal challenging the decision of the panel of judges. The appeal preferred by the petitioner has been rejected in terms of Ext.P1 order. Ext.P1 order is under challenge in the writ petition.

- 2. Heard the learned counsel for the petitioner as also the learned Government Pleader.
- 3. It is seen that the ground raised by the petitioner in the appeal was that the competition was not conducted on time and there was also police intervention in the course of the conduct of the competition on complaints of

sound pollution. According to the petitioner, she could not perform properly on account of the aforesaid reasons.

4. The aforesaid being the grounds, the appeal committee cannot be found fault with for having rejected the appeal. Be that as it may, it is seen that the appeal committee has called for the relevant records and found that the decision of the judges panel cannot be said to be vitiated in any manner. Further, as noted, the petitioner could secure only third place and she was awarded nine marks less than the marks awarded to the candidate who secured the first place. I do not think that this is a fit case, in the aforesaid circumstances, for interference in the decision of the appeal committee. The writ petition, in the circumstances, is without merits and the same is, accordingly, dismissed.

Sd/-P.B.SURESH KUMAR, JUDGE.

APPENDIX

PETITIONER'S/S EXHIBITS:

EXHIBIT P1 A TRUE COPY OF THE ORDER DATED 25.11.2019 IN THE APPEAL PREFERRED BY PETITIONER BEFORE THE 4TH RESPONDENT