

Sl. No	Judge(s) Name	Date of Order	Daily Order
			name of counsel for respondent No.9 shall be shown in the cause list. In WP No.14066/2020 Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the respondents were directed to file the compliance report and the same has not been filed so far. Learned Additional Government Advocate appearing for the respondents prays for and is allowed three weeks' time to file the compliance report. List on 07.02.2022.
10	CHIEF JUSTICE AND ASHOK S.KINAGI	10/06/2022	<p>Heard the learned counsel for petitioners and learned counsel for respondents. Learned counsel for petitioners submits that the court vide order dated 16.11.2021, had called upon the respondents - State Authorities to inform as to under what provision of law, the use of loudspeakers and the public address systems have been allowed to be used by respondents permanently and what action has been taken to restrict the usage of loudspeakers and the public address systems in accordance with the Noise Pollution (Regulation and Control) Rules, 2000. Learned counsel for petitioners further submits that recently the police authorities have been issuing the licenses/permission for playing all loudspeakers permanently, which is totally wrong and against the provisions of law. He submits that no permanent license can be issued. Learned Additional Government Advocate appearing for the respondents – State Authorities submits that the status report has been submitted wherein it has been submitted that the respondents who were playing the loudspeakers without licenses/permission have stopped playing all loudspeakers and they have removed the loudspeakers. It is submitted that they may be granted time to respond to the arguments submitted by the petitioners today. On the request of learned Additional Government Advocate, the case is adjourned today. Put up on 17.06.2022.</p>
11	CHIEF JUSTICE AND ASHOK S.KINAGI	17/06/2022	<p>WP NO. 4574/2021 Connected Cases: WP NO. 14066/2020 In WP No.4574/2021 Heard learned counsel for the petitioners as well as learned Additional Government Advocate appearing for respondent Nos.1 to 8. The status report filed today by learned Additional Government Advocate is taken on record. Learned Additional Government Advocate submits that no permanent licence for the use of loudspeakers and public address system is issued. It is submitted that the licence for the use of loudspeakers and public address system and sound producing instruments is issued under Rule 5 (3) of the Noise Pollution (Regulation and Control) Rules, 2000 read with Section 37 of the Karnataka Police Act, 1963. As per the stand of respondents Nos.1 to 8, it is very much clear that the loudspeakers and public address system are not permitted during night hours from 10.00 p.m. to 6.00 a.m., except in the special circumstances where permission can be granted for the use of loudspeakers and public address system during night hours between 10.00 p.m. to 12.00 midnight on or during any cultural, religious or festive occasion of a limited duration not exceeding fifteen days in all during a calendar year. It clearly means that the loudspeakers and public address system cannot be used during night between 10.00 p.m. to 6.00 a.m. We have been informed that the loudspeakers are being used in religious places such as Temples, Mosques, Gurudwaras and Churches including the temples controlled by the Government and such other places as pubs and restaurants. In view of the stand taken by the State Government-respondents, the concerning authorities are required to take appropriate action and they shall not permit the use of loudspeakers and public address system and other musical instruments producing sound above the permissible decibels during the night from 10.00 p.m. to 6.00 a.m. Respondent Nos.1 to 8 shall carry out a drive to prevent such misuse of the loudspeakers and the public address system. The action taken report shall be submitted before the Court. List after three weeks.</p>