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Petitioner: SHRI RANVEER
SINGH

Petitioner Advocate: MANU
PRABHAKAR KULKARNI

Respondent: STATE OF
KARNATAKA

Respondent Advocate:

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1	<u>24/02/2026</u>	M.NAGAPRASANNA	ADJOURNED
	Heard the learned Senior counsel, Sri. Sajjan Poovayya appearing for the petitioner. Learned Addl. SPP waives notice for respondent No.1. Sri. Siji Malayil, learned counsel enters appearance for respondent No.2. Registry to print the name of the aforesaid learned counsel, as appearing for respondent No.2, in the cause list. Learned counsel appearing for the petitioner is directed to serve a copy of the petition papers upon the aforesaid learned counsel. The petitioner is alleged of offences punishable under Sections 196, 299 and 302 of the BNS, 2023, which are Sections 153A, 295A and 298 of the earlier regime - the IPC. The petitioner is a well known actor. He participates in 56th IFFI festival of India organized and hosted by the Government of Goa. In the said event, the petitioner is said to have mimicked the role of Rishab Shetty in Kantara - Chapter I and uttered the deity the words 'female ghost'. Therefore, the religious sentiments of the region was hurt and a complaint comes to be registered now for the aforesaid offences. Learned Senior counsel submits that the petitioner has tendered his apology on the mistake committed by him immediately after coming to know the importance of Chavundi Daiva, whom he mimicked on the stage and calling it as a 'female ghost'. The private complaint is registered in PCR No.21236/2025 and the concerned court after following the procedure, sought the report from the hands of the jurisdictional police and has referred the matter for investigation. The order of reference is what is attacked by the learned Senior counsel on the score that it is not reasoned. The matter requires consideration. Objections be filed by the next date. List the matter on 02.03.2026 at 2.30 p.m. Respondent No.1 - the State shall not take coercive steps, provided, that the petitioner cooperates with the investigation, till the matter is heard on 02.03.2026. Last Updated On: 2026-02-28 11:23:57		