

IN THE HIGH COURT OF MADHYA PRADESH
AT INDORE
WP No. 25397 of 2023

(AMITABH UPADHYAY AND OTHERS Vs THE STATE OF MADHYA PRADESH AND OTHERS)

Reserved on 22/09/2026
Pronounced on 24/09/2026

Dated : 24-09-2026

Shri Abhinav Dhanodkar, learned counsel for the petitioners.

*Shri Pradhymna Kibe, G.A. for the respondents/State along with Shri
Ashish Patel, ACP concerned.*

Shri Rishabh Singh Chouhan, learned counsel for respondent No.4.

1] Although we have heard the learned counsel for the rival parties at length and were inclined to dispose of this petition, however, as it transpired in the night that so many loud noises were coming from almost all the directions, and while commuting from the Court to our houses also, we found that in many places the loudspeakers were blasting away all the limits of sound barriers. Apart from that, in yesterday's morning newspaper, we found that a child aged 7 years has died in the school on account of high pitch volume coming from the speakers of a procession which was passing by.

2] It is apparent that the said noises polluting the atmosphere could not be heard by the concerned officers of the administration, who are responsible for curbing the same. Thus, although the respondents have filed a detailed reply trying to convince this Court that all the measures are being taken to curb the noise pollution but the ground reality appears rather grim.

3] Thus, we again hereby give strict direction to the officers of the State/police officials and direct the respondents to ensure compliance of the Noise Pollution (Regulation and Control) (Amendment) Rules 2000 and M.P. Kolahal Niyantran Adhiniyam, 1985, and appropriate strict measures be also taken in accordance with law against the persons responsible for blatant violation of the law.

4] In the meantime, the respondents are also directed to publish a list of silence zones in the daily newspapers of wide circulation as have been filed along with the reply and invite the requests to declare the other places of prominence as silence zones, which could not be included in the said specific list. The respondents shall also inform the public at large of the complaint/phone numbers, which can be reached in case of any noise pollution complaints.

5] Let a fresh report be submitted within a further period of one week.

6] Let the matter be listed on 05/10/2026.

(SUBODH ABHYANKAR)
JUDGE

(JAI KUMAR PILLAI)
JUDGE