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* **IN THE HIGH COURT OF DELHI AT NEW DELHI**

\# **CNR No. DLHC010475182026**

\+ **CS(COMM) 1083/2026 and I.A. 27399 and 27405/2026**

DIGITAL18 MEDIA PRIVATE LIMITED .....Plaintiff

Through: Mr.Sidharth Chopra, Mr.Yatinder Garg, Mr.Akshay, Mr.Priyansh, Mr.Manish and Mr. Vinayak, Advocates.

versus

SSRMOVIES.STYLE & ORS. .....Defendants

Through: Mr.Satya Ranjan Swain, CGSC with Mr.Naveen Dedha, GP, Mr.Sanskar and Mr. Tushar, Advocates for D-10 and 11.

CORAM:
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE PURUSHAINDRA KUMAR KAURAV

O R D E R

% 01.10.2026

I.A. 27400/2026 (under Section 80 from issuing notices to defendant nos.10, 11, 13 and 5)

1. The present application has been filed under Section 80 of the Code of Civil Procedure, 1908 ("**CPC**") seeking exemption from issuing notice to defendant no. 10, 11, 13 and 15.

2. In view of the urgent relief and the nature of relief sought, the Plaintiff is exempted from effecting prior notice under Section 80 of the CPC upon defendant nos. 10, 11, 13 and 15.

3. The application stands disposed of.

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I.A. 27401/2026 (seeking leave to file additional documents)

1. For the reasons stated in the application, the same stands allowed.

2. The documents sought to be placed on record by way of this application, be taken on record.

3. The application stands disposed of.

I.A. 27402/2026 (under Section 12A exemption from institution of Pre-Litigation Mediation)

1. By way of the present application filed under section 12A of Commercial Courts Act, 2015 read with section 151 of the Code of Civil Procedure, 1908 ('CPC'), the plaintiff seeks exemption from attempting pre-litigation mediation.

2. Having regard to the facts and circumstances of the present case, and in light of the judgment of the Supreme Court in ***Yamini Manohar v. T.K.D. Keerthi***[1] and of a Division Bench of this court in ***Chandra Kishore Chaurasia vs. R A Perfumery Works (P) Ltd.***,[2] the plaintiff is exempted from attempting pre-litigation mediation.

3. The application stands disposed of.

I.A. 27403/2026 (permission for filing redacted copies of documents)

1. For the reasons stated in the application, the same stands allowed. Permission is granted to file redacted copies of documents.

2. The application stands disposed of.

I.A. 27404/2026 (Extension from filing Court Fee)

1. For the reasons stated in the application, the same stands allowed.

2. Let the requisite Court fees be paid within a period of 2 days' from

[1](2024) 5 SCC 815
[2] 2022 SCC OnLine Del 3529

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today.

3. The application stands disposed of.

CS(COMM) 1083/2026

1. Heard.

2. The plaint be registered as a suit.

3. Issue summons. Mr. Satya Ranjan Swain, CGSC, accepts summons on behalf of defendant nos. 10 and 11. He confirms the receipt of the suit paperbook and waives the right of formal service of summons.

4. Summons be issued to the remaining defendants by all permissible modes on filing of process fee. Affidavit of service be filed within two weeks.

5. Summons shall state that the written statement(s) shall be filed by the defendants within 30 days from the date of receipt of summons. Along with the written statement(s), the defendants shall also file affidavit(s) of admission/denial of the documents of the plaintiff, without which the written statement(s) shall not be taken on record

6. Liberty is given to the plaintiff to file replication(s) within 15 days of the receipt of the written statement(s). Along with the replication(s), if any, filed by the plaintiff, affidavit(s) of admission/denial of documents of the defendants, be filed by the plaintiff, without which the replication(s) shall not be taken on record. If any of the parties wish to seek inspection of any documents, the same shall be sought and given within the timelines.

7. List before the Joint Registrar (Judicial) on 27.10.2026 for further proceedings in accordance with extant rules.

8. It is made clear that any party unjustifiably denying documents would be liable to be burdened with costs.

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9. Thereafter, list before this Court on the date to be given by the Joint Registrar (Judicial).

I.A. 27399/2026 (under Order XXXIX Rule 1 & 2 of CPC)
I.A. 27405/2026 (under Order XXXIX Rule 3 of CPC)

1. The suit is primarily against defendant nos. 1 to 9 and unknown website(s) i.e., defendant no. 30 (John Doe/Ashok Kumar) from hosting, streaming, and/or making available for viewing and downloading, without authorization, on their websites or other platforms, through the internet in any manner whatsoever, the plaintiff's upcoming film '*Drishyam: The Conclusion*' (hereinafter **"the Film"**) so as to infringe the plaintiff's exclusive rights.

2. A submission is made that the defendants' websites have previously indulged in rampant piracy and infringement of the plaintiff's exclusive copyrighted content, *inter alia*, the well-known film 'Jolly LLB 3'along with other third-party copyrighted content. Such piracy is stated to have been carried out world-wide including within the jurisdiction of this Court. In view of the business model and modus operandi, the plaintiff has reasonable and imminent apprehension that the Film, which is to be released on 02.10.2026, shall be streamed/made available on the defendant websites and shall be watched by the people in Delhi. This shall, in turn, cause loss/injury to the plaintiff.

3. Various submissions have been made and earlier instances of such injunctions been granted have been highlighted. In paragraph nos. 24, 25 and 26 of the plaint, following averments have been made:-

> "***24.*** *The Plaintiff has filed the present suit against the following rogue websites i.e., Defendant Nos. 1 to 9 and other unknown rogue websites, which are operating and accessible in Delhi. Details of these rogue*

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websites are provided below and are lso attached to the present Plaint at S. No. 1 of the list of documents.

Defendant Nos.	*Defendant Websites*
1.	*ssrmovies.style*
2.	*Cinevood.date*
3.	*Skymovieshd.lgbt*
4.	*Bollytan.com*
5.	*Vegamoviess.io*
6.	*Filmonline.biz*
7.	*Fimyzilla70.com*
8.	*Gulmoviz.com*
9.	*Moviewala.tv*

25. The Defendant Websites primarily and substantially engage in, inter alia, communicating to the public, hosting, streaming and/or making available to the public, including audiences within the territorial jurisdiction of this Hon'ble Court in Delhi, copyright-protected content (including films such as 'Jolly LLB 3' etc.), without authorization, and/or facilitating the same. The websites in question are vehicles of infringement whose whole business model is designed to provide members of the public with access to copyrighted content without authorization. The Defendant Websites' mala fides are evident from the vast volume of content available on their websites, the systematic, organised and intentional nature of the infringement, and the regularity and consistency with which content is updated / uploaded on the websites, as is evident from the documents filed along with the plaint.

26. To identify and collect evidence against the Defendant Websites, the Plaintiff engaged the services of a third-party investigation agency. The said agency accessed and investigated the Defendant Websites and collected evidence qua their activities through an internet connection located and available in Delhi. The Plaintiff has been made aware by its investigators that infringing copies of the film 'Jolly LLB 3', in which the Plaintiff holds rights, are being communicated to the public by the Defendant Websites without any authorisation or permission. All the Defendant Websites were found to be accessible within Delhi and to be carrying on their activities by illegally transmitting, communicating and/or making available copyrighted content without the requisite authorisation or permission, including to users and members of the public within Delhi. The Plaintiff has filed herewith evidence evincing the Defendant Websites' illegal and infringing activities of making available to the public the infringing copies of the aforesaid film(s)."

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4. Learned counsel appearing on behalf of the plaintiff has also placed reliance on various decisions, where, under almost similar circumstances, protection has been granted to the plaintiff's intellectual property and directions have been issued. Specific reliance has been placed on ***Jiostar India Private Limited v. Vegamovies.yachts & Ors.***[3]. The said civil suit, notably, was entertained prior to release of "*Jolly LLB 3*".

5. A perusal of the entire list of cases placed on record by the plaintiff indicates that while some of the civil suits are still pending, some have been disposed of while issuing dynamic injunction.

6. On a *prima facie* perusal of the pleadings and the material placed on record, the Court is satisfied that the plaintiff has been able to make out the case for grant of *ad interim ex parte* injunction. The nature of the injury, which the plaintiff may likely to suffer, may not be remedied in terms of money. The balance of convenience and *prima facie* case also lie in favour of the plaintiff.

7. In view of the aforesaid, the Court deems it fit to issue the following directions:

(i) Defendant nos. 1 to 9 or any person acting on their behalf are restrained from communicating, hosting, streaming, and/or making available for viewing and downloading, without authorization, on their websites or other platforms, through the internet in any manner whatsoever, the plaintiff's upcoming Film;

(ii) Defendant nos. 12 to 29 are directed to immediately suspend the use, block, disable, deactivate the domain name of the concerned

[3] CS (Comm) No.977/2025; order dated 12.09.2025.

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defendant(s) within 72 hours of receiving copy of the notice or intimation from the plaintiff along with the evidence which the plaintiff comes across;

(iii) The concerned government officials shall also ensure that this order has fully been adhered to; and

(iv) In case, the plaintiff comes across any piracy by any other website or by any person who is not a party to the present suit, it shall be at liberty to inform the Domain Name Registrar Internet Service Providers and to the concerned Government Department, who shall ensure action against the same is also taken.

8. The application bearing I.A. 27405/2026 stands disposed of.

I.A. 27399/2026

9. List on 03.12.2026.

PURUSHAINDRA KUMAR KAURAV, J

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