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Government of India Ministry of Communications Department of Telecommunications Sanchar Bhawan, 20, Ashoka Road, New Delhi - 110 001 (Data Services Cell)

No. 813-07/LM-39/2024-DS-II Dated:13-03-2025

To,
All the Internet Service Licensees

Subject: CS (COMM) 837 of 2024: Star India Pvt. Ltd. versus MovieBlast Application And Ors. before the High Court of Delhi.

Kindly find enclosed the Hon'ble Delhi High Court order dated **26.09.2024** on the subject matter.

- 2. Please refer to **Para 42 and 43** of the said Court order in respect of **blocking of the website(s) [1 no.]**, enumerated in **Document A** of the 28th additional Affidavit dated 12.03.2025 filed by the plaintiff.
- 3. In view of the above, all the Internet Service Licensees are hereby instructed to take immediate necessary action for blocking of the said website(s), as above, for compliance of the said court order.

Encl: AA

Digitally signed by SHASHI KUMAR
Date: 13-03-2025

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Director (DS-II)
Email: dirds2-dot@nic.in

Copy to:

- i. Sh. V. Chinnasamy, Scientist E (chinnasamy.v@meity.gov.in), Electronics Niketan, Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MeitY), New Delhi for kind information and with request to take action as per the Annexure pl.
- ii. Sh. Vivek Kumar <v.kumar@saikrishnaassociates.com>, Plaintiff's Advocate; for kind information and with request to take action as per the Annexure pl.
- iii. IT Wing of DoT for uploading this order on DoT websites please.

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Vivek Kumar (D/7260/2023)

Place: New Delhi Saikrishna and Associates
Date: 12.03.2025 Advocates for the Plaintiff

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IN THE MATTER OF:

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AFFIDAVIT OF MR. HITENDER ADLAKHA, S/O SH. LATE R. L. ADLAKHA, AGED 53 YEARS, AUTHORISED REPRESENTATIVE OF PLAINTIFF, STAR INDIA PVT. LTD. HAVING OFFICE AT STAR HOUSE, URMI ESTATE, 95 GANPATRAO KADAM MARG, LOWER PAREL (W), MUMBAI 400013, PRESENTLY AT NEW DELHI, INDIA, ON BEHALF OF THE PLAINTIFF

- I, the above-named deponent, do hereby solemnly affirm and declare as under:
- That, I am the Authorized Representative of the Plaintiff in the present suit and as such I am conversant with the facts and circumstances of the present suit and competent to depose in respect thereof.

state that I am aware of the present suit and the order dated 26.09.2024 whereby the Hon'ble Court was pleased to pass an exparte ad-interim order in terms of the following:

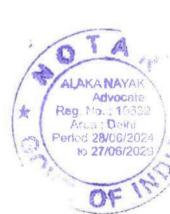
"38. In view of the averments noted hereinabove and in view of the judgment passed in UTV Software

Communication Ltd. (supra), this Court is of the opinion that a prima facie case is made out in favour of the plaintiff. Balance of convenience is also in favour of the plaintiff. Further, irreparable harm or injury would be caused to the plaintiff if an interim injunction order is not passed.

39. Accordingly, defendants No. 1 to 3 (and any such other UIs/websites which appears to be associated with any of the defendant apps and websites based on its name, branding or the identity of its operator, or discovered to provide additional means of accessing, the defendant apps and websites, and other domains/domain/apps/UIs along with their sub domains and subdirectories, owners/website operators/entities which are discovered to have been engaging in infringing the plaintiff's exclusive rights), their owners, partners, proprietors, officers, servants, employees, and all others in capacity of principals or agents, acting for and on their behalf, or anyone claiming through, by or under them are hereby restrained, from, in any manner hosting, streaming, reproducing, distributing, making available to the public and/or communicating to the public. or facilitating the same, Apps/UIs/websites, through the internet in any manner whatsoever, anv cinematograph work/content/programme/show in relation to which plaintiff has a copyright.

40. The defendants No. 4 to 8 shall ensure compliance with this order by blocking defendants no. 1 to 3 websites, their URLs and the respective UIs as filed along with the suit (Pg 1 - Vol 1) (also annexed herewith as annexure - A) and any other UIs/apps/websites notified by the plaintiff by filing of an affidavit.

41. The defendants no. 4 to 8, their directors, partners, proprietors, officers, affiliates, servants, employees, and all others in capacity of principal or agent acting for and, on their behalf, or anyone claiming through, by or under it, are directed to disclose the following information of the defendants no. 1 -3 (and any such other websites/UIs which are discovered during the course of the proceedings and notified on Affidavit by the plaintiff to have been infringing/ authorizing the infringement of the plaintiff's



exclusive rights, copyrights and broadcast reproduction rights):

- A. Complete details (such as name, address, email address, phone number, IP address etc.) of the defendants no. 1 3 (and any such other websites/UIs which are discovered during the course of the proceedings and notified on Affidavit by the plaintiff to have been infringing/ authorizing the infringement of the plaintiff's exclusive rights, copyrights).
- B. Mode of payment along with payment details used for registration of domain name by the registrant i.e., defendant no. 1-3 (and any such other websites/UIs which are discovered during the course of the proceedings and notified on Affidavit by the plaintiff to have been infringing/ authorizing the infringement of the plaintiff's exclusive rights, copyrights).
- 42. The defendants No. 9 to 17 shall ensure compliance with this order by blocking defendants no. 1 to 3 websites, their URLs and the respective UIs as filed along with the suit (Pg 1 Vol 1) (also annexed herewith as annexure A) and any other apps/websites notified by the plaintiff by filing of an affidavit.
- 43. Defendants no. 18 and 19 are further directed to take immediate steps and issue requisite notifications within five working days, calling upon various internet and telecom service providers registered under them to block the aforementioned websites/UIs identified by the plaintiff."
- I state that in order to protect and enforce its exclusive rights in the Plaintiff's copyrighted content, including but not limited to

the content made available through the Plaintiff's STAR Channels and Disney+Hotstar, the Plaintiff engaged the Advocate Reg. No. 1063 er vices of an investigation agency, Copyright Integrity Area: Delhi eriod 28/06/20 atternational, to identify and monitor other to 27/06/2029

subdirectories, owners/website operators/entities which are discovered to have been engaging in infringing the plaintiff's exclusive rights (in terms of paragraph 39 and 40 of the aforementioned order dated 26.09.2024) collaborating with the said App and/or the other UIs/apps identified in the instant suit and gather evidence of their infringing activity. I state that the Source Domain (s) / Website (s) / URL (s) that have been identified by the investigation agency engaged in illegally communicating the Plaintiff's copyrighted content, including but not limited to the content made available through the Plaintiff's STAR Channels and Disney+Hotstar, through the Rogue Apps which is annexed herewith Document A.

- 4. I state that the 'CricFy TV' App has been identified by the investigation agency as an Android-based mobile App which is engaged in illegally communicating the Plaintiff's copyrighted content, including but not limited to the content made available through the Plaintiff's STAR Channels. I state that the 'CricFy TV' App is an Android application that unauthorizedly makes available for viewing and provides access to the content shown on TV Channels including live sporting events, *inter alia* ICC Champions Trophy, 2025 and other Video on Demand content including that of the Plaintiff's content on Star Gold Romance, Colors etc.
- 5. I state that the primary intent and purpose of the aforesaid 'CricFy TV' App is to exploit various copyright-protected works, including but not limited to the Plaintiff's copyrighted content, free of cost (or at minimal subscription) and without any authorisation from the right owners including the Plaintiff.

In fact, the very intent of the said 'CricFy TV' App is to provide an alternative to legitimate sources to the user, so that a user does not have to pay for enjoying the copyright-protected works. Detailed allegations regarding the "rogue" nature of the aforesaid App are provided hereinafter.

- 6. I state that the step-by-step process for downloading the APK file for the 'CricFy TV' App and running the said mobile App on a computer has been detailed in the evidence filed herewith.
- 7. I state that the *ex parte ad interim* injunction granted *vide* order dated 26.09.2024 passed by this Hon'ble Court is applicable to the aforesaid Rogue App, *viz* 'CricFy TV' App, identified by the Plaintiff's investigation agency (in terms of para 39 and 40 of the aforementioned order dated 26.09.2024). Accordingly, the relief granted in terms of paras 39 and 40 of the aforementioned order dated 26.09.2024 and the directions issued by the Hon'ble Court to Internet Service Providers (i.e., Defendant Nos. 9 to 17) and to the DoT and MEITY (i.e., Defendant Nos. 18 and 19) are applicable in relation to user interface (UI) domains / websites / URLs identified and notified by the Plaintiff to be infringing and/or authorising infringement of the Plaintiff's Content through the Rogue 'CricFy TV' App.

8. In light of the above, I state that the following user interface (UI) domains / websites has been identified by the investigation agency as engaged in illegally communicating the Plaintiff's ANAYAK copyrighted content, including but not limited to the content available through the Plaintiff's STAR Channels, 27/06/2029

hrough the aforesaid Rogue App, viz 'CricFy TV' App:

S. No.	Domain / Website
1.	https://cfyappks26.top

- 9. I state that from the evidence filed along with the present Affidavit, it is evident that the above-mentioned UI domains/ websites are hosting and/or streaming and/or providing access and/or making available for viewing the broadcast of Plaintiff's copyrighted content, including but not limited to the content made available through the Plaintiff's STAR Channels, through the aforesaid Rogue App, viz 'CricFy TV' App, and/or authorising infringement of the Plaintiff's copyrighted content by making available for download and usage the said App.
- 10.I state that the Plaintiff is not aware of the owner(s) of these rogue UI domains / websites as either they are anonymous or have incorrect or incomplete addresses.
- Affidavit, it is evident that the identified Source Domain (s) / Website (s) / URL(s) is hosting and/or streaming and/or providing access and/or making available for viewing the broadcast of Plaintiff's Content, including but not limited to the content made available through the Plaintiff's STAR Channels and Disney+Hotstar. I state that the Plaintiff is the exclusive right holders for Plaintiff's copyrighted content, including but not limited to the content made available through the Plaintiff's

STAR Channels and Disney+Hotstar, for the worldwide territory and the Plaintiff has not authorized the abovementioned websites to communicate and or make available for

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viewing the Plaintiff's Content, including but not limited to the content made available through the Plaintiff's STAR Channels and Disney+Hotstar.

- 12.I state that the Plaintiff is not aware of the owner(s) of the identified rogue Source Domain (s) / Website (s) / URL (s) as either they are anonymous or have incorrect or incomplete addresses.
- 13.I state that in terms of the following directions passed by this Hon'ble Court, vide order dated 26.09.2024 (reproduced herein above) is also applicable on the Source Domain(s) / Website(s) / URL(s) identified herewith.

40. The defendants No. 4 to 8 shall ensure compliance with this order by blocking defendants no. 1 to 3 websites, their URLs and the respective UIs as filed along with the suit (Pg 1 - Vol 1) (also annexed herewith as annexure - A) and any other UIs/apps/websites notified by the plaintiff by filing of an affidavit.

42. The defendants No. 9 to 17 shall ensure compliance with this order by blocking defendants no. 1 to 3 websites, their URLs and the respective UIs as filed along with the suit (Pg 1 - Vol 1) (also annexed herewith as annexure - A) and any other apps/websites notified by the plaintiff by filing of an affidavit.

14.In light of the abovementioned, the Department of Telecommunications (Defendant No. 18) and the Ministry of ALAKA NAYAK Electronics and Information Technology (Defendant No. 19)

Reg. No.: 39 are surged to issue a notification to the Internet Service reasonable of the Internet Service (Defendant Nos. 9 – 17) to block the additional rogue

Source Domain / Website / URL identified in Document- A hereto.

- 15.I state that the evidence filed along with the present affidavit was shared by the investigating agency in google drive link. I downloaded the same onto the computer (Intel (R) Core (TM) i5-2520M CPU @ G2010 @ 2.50 GHz 2.50 GHz) which is regularly used by me in the ordinary course of business and thereafter, shared the same with the Plaintiff's Counsel.
- 16.I am advised to state that the conditions of Sections 63 of the Bharatiya Sakshya Adhiniyam and Order XI Rule 6(3) of the Commercial Courts, Commercial Division and Commercial Appellate Division of High Courts Act, 2015 are complied with in respect of these documents.

17.In particular, I confirm:-

a) That the said computer system is regularly used to produce computer outputs like emails and information from the World Wide Web (Internet) and store other electronic records. The relevant information from the websites and electronic records as mentioned above was downloaded by me in the course of activity of the Plaintiff. I have a lawful control over the use of the said computer system by virtue of my capacity in the organization.

That the electronic records mentioned above are downloaded from the computer system as part of the ordinary course of activities of the Plaintiff.

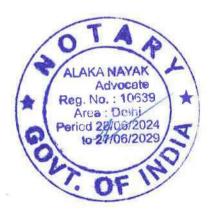
- c) That the computer system as used by me has been operating properly and the electronic records and their accuracy and contents have not been altered and tampered with in any manner whatsoever.
- d) That the information contained on the computer outputs is an exact replica and has been produced from the original electronic record and therefore, reproduces the information contained on the electronic records therein.

DEPONENT

VERIFICATION

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Identification deponent who Verified at New Delhi on this the of March 2025 that the contents of the above said Affidavit are true to the best of knowledge, information and belief and nothing material has been concealed therefrom.



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Document A: Additional list of Source Domains / Websites / URLs

S. No.	Source Domain / Website / URL	Rogue App
1.	https://cfyappks26.top	'CricFy TV'
		(Defendant No. 23)





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* IN THE HIGH COURT OF DELHI AT NEW DELHI

+ CS(COMM) 837/2024

STAR INDIA PVT. LTD.

.....Plaintiff

Through: Mr. Sidharth Chopra, Mr. Yatinder

Garg, Ms. S. Jauhari and Mr. Vivek

Kumar, Advocates.

versus

MOVIEBLAST APPLICATION AND ORS

....Defendants

Through:

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HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE AMIT BANSAL

ORDER 26.09.2024

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I.A. 40567/2024 (for exemption from certified copies of dim annexures)

- 1. Allowed, subject to the plaintiff filing legible copies of the annexures within four weeks from today.
- 2. The application is disposed of.

I.A. 40566/2024 (u/S 12A of Commercial Courts Act)

- 3. As the present suit contemplates urgent interim relief, in light of the judgment of the Supreme Court in *Yamini Manohar* v. *T.K.D. Krithi*, 2023 SCC Online SC 1382, exemption from the requirement of pre-institution mediation is granted.
- 4. The application stands disposed of.





I.A. 40568/2024 (for exemption from advance service to Defendants)

- 5. The present application has been filed on behalf of the plaintiff seeking exemption from advance service to defendants No. 10 (Bharat Sanchar Nigam Ltd.), 13 (Mahanagar Telephone Nigam Ltd.), 18 (Department of Telecommunications) & 19 (Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology) under Section 80 of the Civil Procedure Code, 1908 (CPC).
- 6. In view of the urgent *ex parte* relief sought, the plaintiff is granted exemption from the requirement of issuing notice to the defendants no. 10, 13,18 and 19 under Section 80 of the CPC.
- 7. The application stands disposed of.

I.A. 40569/2024 (O-XI R-1(4) of the Commercial Courts Act)

- 8. The present application has been filed on behalf of the plaintiff seeking leave to file additional documents under the Commercial Courts Act, 2015.
- 9. The plaintiff are permitted to file additional documents in accordance with the provisions of the Commercial Courts Act, 2015.
- 10. Accordingly, the application is disposed of.

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- 11. Let the plaint be registered as a suit.
- 12. Issue summons.
- 13. Summons be issued to the defendants through all modes. The summons shall state that the written statement(s) shall be filed by the defendants within thirty days from the date of the receipt of summons. Along with the written statement(s), the defendants shall also file an affidavit of admission/denial of the documents of the plaintiff, without





which the written statement(s) shall not be taken on record.

- 14. Liberty is given to the plaintiff to file replication(s), if any, within thirty days from the receipt of the written statement(s). Along with the replication(s) filed by the plaintiff, affidavit of admission/denial of the documents of the defendants be filed by the plaintiff.
- 15. The parties shall file all original documents in support of their respective claims along with their respective pleadings. In case parties are placing reliance on a document, which is not in their power and possession, its detail and source shall be mentioned in the list of reliance, which shall also be filed with the pleadings.
- 16. If any of the parties wish to seek inspection of any documents, the same shall be sought and given within the timelines.
- 17. List before the Joint Registrar on 4th December, 2024 for completion of service and pleadings.
- 18. List before the Court on 27th February, 2025.

I.A. 40565/2024 (O-XXXIX Rule 1 & 2 of CPC)

- 25. The present suit has been filed for permanent injunction, rendition of accounts and damages for the infringement of the exclusive rights in the plaintiff's original content/work, which is protected under the Copyright Act, 1957, against defendants no.1-3 which are rogue apps and websites that substantially indulge in online piracy by making original content available for download and otherwise providing access to infringing and illegal content.
- 26. It is averred in the plaint that the Plaintiff is a leading entertainment and media company in India engaged in, *inter alia*, the production of popular content broadcast on its STAR channels. The Plaintiff is also an





exclusive right owner for several works broadcasted on its STAR channels. Plaintiff, along with its affiliates, is the owner of an extensive portfolio of more than 70 channels in over nine languages (all channels owned and/or distributed by Plaintiff are hereinafter collectively referred to as "STAR Channels"). Plaintiff owns and operates the online audio-visual streaming platform and website, 'www.hotstar.com', and the mobile application, 'Disney+ Hotstar', formerly known as 'Hotstar' (hereinafter collectively referred to as "Disney+ Hotstar"). With the widest range of content in India, Disney+ Hotstar offers over 100,000 hours of TV shows and movies across 8 languages, Disney+ originals, latest American shows, blockbuster Hollywood movies and content from international studios, exclusive new content from the Hotstar Specials label, regional and national news, and coverage of every major global sporting event.

- 27. Plaintiff claims to have exclusive rights in the aforesaid works by virtue of provision of Section 14(d) of the Copyright Act, 1957 including inter alia the rights to publicly exhibit and communicate the said content through any medium or mode, including on STAR Channels or Disney+ Hotstar. It is pleaded that by virtue of the exclusive media rights granted to the Plaintiff, they broadcast, telecast and/or communicate to the public, its Original Shows / Original Content and the STAR Channels on the digital platform, Disney+ Hotstar, owned by the Plaintiff.
- 28. It is contended that defendants no. 1 to 3, ("defendant websites and apps") are online locations and mobile applications whose purpose is to communicate, make available for viewing and providing access to content of the Plaintiff free of cost (or at minimal subscription) and without any authorization. These Rogue Apps are completely illegal mobile applications





and have no permission or authorisation to reproduce, store, transmit, communicate, make available for viewing or provide access to any of the Plaintiff's Content. It is also submitted that most of the content communicated through these Rogue Apps does not belong to them. It is also contended that the download, distribution and use of these Android based Rogue Apps, occurs through an .APK ("Android Package Kit" / "Android Application Package"). The primary intent and purpose of these Rogue Apps is to exploit various copyright-protected works, of the Plaintiff's content and to provide an alternative to legitimate sources to the user, such that the user does not have to pay for enjoying the copyright-protected works. An illustrative list of illegal content made available by the defendant websites has been provided in paragraph 9 of the plaint.

- 29. In order to protect and enforce their exclusive rights, the plaintiff investigated and monitored the defendant's Rogue Apps/UIs/Domains/websites and gathered evidence of their infringing activities, which has been filed along with the suit.
- 30. It is further contended that despite the legal notice calling upon the concerned defendants to cease from engaging in their infringing activities, they continue to infringe the rights in the plaintiff's original content.
- 31. In light of the above, it is contended that the defendants nos. 1 to 3 are liable for infringement of the plaintiff's copyright works under Section 51(a)(ii), Section 51(b) and Section 51(a)(i) of the Act, for making a copy of the original content, including storing of it in any medium by electronic or other means and communicating the original content to the public the hosting, streaming, reproducing, distributing, making available to the public, and/or communicating to the public of the original content for streaming and





downloading, or facilitating the same, without authorization of the plaintiff. In support of the aforesaid contention, reliance is placed on the decision of this court in CS(COMM) 724 of 2017 dated 10th April, 2019 titled *UTV Software Communication Ltd. &Anr. v. 1337x.to and Ors.*

- 32. It is further contended by the plaintiff's counsel that the creators of the defendants no. 1-3 Rogue Apps are anonymous and the information provided in the public domain regarding the owners of their related websites is either incomplete, incorrect and/or protected behind a veil of secrecy. These Rogue Apps/UIs/Domains/websites hide behind domain privacy services offered by various domain name Registrars, which enable a website owner to hide behind a veil and not disclose any contact details publicly, to protect his privacy. Defendants no. 4 (Name.com, Inc.), 5 (Spaceship, Inc.), 6 (Hostinger Operations, UAB), 7 (Name Cheap Inc.), 8 (Go Daddy LLC) are domain name registrars providing domain name registration to the defendants 1-3.
- 33. In order to overcome this, the plaintiff has arrayed various internet and telecom services providers (ISPs) as the defendants no. 9-17 (hereinafter "the said ISPs"), DoT as the defendant no. 18, MEITY as the defendant no. 19 in the present suit to ensure the effective implementation of orders passed by this Court.
- 34. Issue notice
- 35. Notice be issued to the defendants through all modes.
- 36. Reply(ies) be filed within four weeks.
- 37. Rejoinder(s) thereto, if any, be filed two weeks thereafter.
- 38. In view of the averments noted hereinabove and in view of the judgment passed in *UTV Software Communication Ltd.* (*supra*), this Court





is of the opinion that a prima facie case is made out in favour of the plaintiff. Balance of convenience is also in favour of the plaintiff. Further, irreparable harm or injury would be caused to the plaintiff if an interim injunction order is not passed.

- 39. Accordingly, defendants No. 1 to 3 (and any such other UIs/websites which appears to be associated with any of the defendant apps and websites based on its name, branding or the identity of its operator, or discovered to provide additional means of accessing, the defendant apps and websites, and other domains/domain/apps/UIs along with their sub domains and subdirectories, owners/website operators/entities which are discovered to have been engaging in infringing the plaintiff's exclusive rights), their owners, partners, proprietors, officers, servants, employees, and all others in capacity of principals or agents, acting for and on their behalf, or anyone claiming through, by or under them are hereby restrained, from, in any manner hosting, streaming, reproducing, distributing, making available to the public and/or communicating to the public, or facilitating the same, on their Apps/UIs/websites, through the internet in any manner whatsoever, any cinematograph work/content/programme/show in relation to which plaintiff has a copyright.
- 40. The defendants No. 4 to 8 shall ensure compliance with this order by blocking defendants no. 1 to 3 websites, their URLs and the respective UIs as filed along with the suit (Pg 1 Vol 1) (also annexed herewith as annexure A) and any other UIs/apps/websites notified by the plaintiff by filing of an affidavit.
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principal or agent acting for and, on their behalf, or anyone claiming through, by or under it, are directed to disclose the following information of the defendants no. 1 -3 (and any such other websites/UIs which are discovered during the course of the proceedings and notified on Affidavit by the plaintiff to have been infringing/ authorizing the infringement of the plaintiff's exclusive rights, copyrights and broadcast reproduction rights):

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- 42. The defendants No. 9 to 17 shall ensure compliance with this order by blocking defendants no. 1 to 3 websites, their URLs and the respective UIs as filed along with the suit (Pg 1 Vol 1) (also annexed herewith as annexure A) and any other apps/websites notified by the plaintiff by filing of an affidavit.
- 43. Defendants no. 18 and 19 are further directed to take immediate steps and issue requisite notifications within five working days, calling upon





various internet and telecom service providers registered under them to block the aforementioned websites/UIs identified by the plaintiff.

- 44. Further, the plaintiff shall, within one week of having filed such an affidavit, move an appropriate application for impleadment of the aforementioned websites/UIs notified by the plaintiff.
- 45. Compliance under Order XXXIX Rule 3 of the Code of Civil Procedure, 1908 (CPC) be done within one week from today.
- 46. List before the Joint Registrar on 4th December, 2024 for completion of service and pleadings.
- 47. List before the Court on 27th February, 2025.

AMIT BANSAL, J

SEPTEMBER 26, 2024 kd





ANNEXURE - A

LIST OF WEBSITES / DOMAINS PROVIDING ACCESS TO THE .APK FILES OF ROGUE APPS

S.NO	WEBSITES
1.	https://movieblast.rocks/
2.	https://movieshubapk.com/
3.	https://novatv.app/

LIST OF DOMAINS PROVIDING USER INTERFACE (UI) FOR FUNCTIONING OF THE ROGUE APPS

S.NO	WEBSITES
1.	mb.movieblast.rocks
2.	movapp.techmirrorhublinks.site
3.	https://teatv.xyz

Annexure

Subject: Action requested to be taken by MEITY and Plantiff for effective removal of content for viewing by public at large within India as per the said orders of Hon'ble Court.

It is observed that a number of orders of Hon'ble Court are issued for blocking of websites every month. There are around more than 2700 ISPs in India and these ISPs are connected among themselves in a mesh network. DOT is instructing each of the ISPs through emails/through its website for blocking of the websites as ordered by the Hon'ble Courts. Ensuring compliance of the orders by each of the ISPs is a time-consuming and complex task especially in view of multiplicity of orders of Hon'ble Courts, multiplicity of websites to be blocked and multiplicity of ISPs.

2. Allocation of Business Rules inter-alia sates thus:-

'Policy matters relating to information technology; Electronics; and Internet (all matters other than licensing of Internet Service Provider)'.

- 3. In view of above and in order to ensure effective removal by content for viewing by public at large, the plantiff is requested to do a trace route of the web server hosting the said website. In case the web server happens to be in India, the plantiff may inform the same to Meity who may direct the owner of such web server to stop transmission of content as per IT Act and as directed by the Hon'ble Court so that the content would be blocked from the source itself and the exercise of blocking by 2700 ISPs would not be required.
- 4. In case such server is located abroad i.e. outside India then access to such URL/website can be blocked through the international internet gateways which are much less in number. This would result in timely and effectively removal of undesirable content for viewing by public at large as is the requirement as per the orders of Hon'ble Court.