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Ministry of Communications
Department of Telecommunications
Director General Telecom HQ
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Date: - 07-2026

To

All Licensees with Internet Service Authorization

Subject: CS(COMM) 108/2025: JIOSTAR INDIA PRIVATE LIMITED versus IPTV SMARTER PRO & ORS in the Hon'ble High Court of Delhi.

Please find enclosed the Hon'ble High Court of Delhi order dated 10.02.2025, 18.02.2026 & 27.04.2026 in the captioned case.

2. Please refer to para 40 (iv and v) of the Court order dated 10.02.2025, and orders dated 18.02.2026, 27.04.2026, 07.05.2026 and 03.06.2026 in respect of blocking access to the website(s)/domain(s) [19 no's.] as enumerated in the enclosed list.

3. In view of the above, all Licensees with Internet Service Authorization are hereby instructed to take immediate necessary action in respect of blocking access to the said website(s)/domain(s), as per the enclosed list, in compliance with the said court orders.

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i.) Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MeitY), New Delhi (cyberlaw-legal@meity.gov.in) - Requested to take action as per the said Court order/ enclosed Annexure pl.

ii.) Ms. Ishi Singh (ishi@saikrishnaassociates.com), Plaintiff 's Counsel - For kind information and with a request to take action as per the enclosed Annexure pl.

CS (COMM) 108/2025:

Website(s)/domain(s)/Url :

CS(COMM)108 of 2025		
S.No	Domains	Defendant No
1	starshare.one	80
2	sansatplus.net	81
3	exm3u.extraott.com	82
4	opplex.rw	83
5	zeusplayer.org	85
6	mega4k.top	86
7	opplex.to	87
8	astv.us	88
9	tigerott.com	89
10	supersonictv.live	90
10	supersonictv.live	90
11	xott.live	92
12	stariptv.cc	97
13	https://api01.ottrun.com	100
14	https://api03.ottrun.com	101
15	http://rgkkw.live	102
16	https://starshare.fans	103
17	http://9skybtv.xyz	104
18	http://fastshare1.com	105
19	http://filex.me	106

Compliance for the Order dated 27.04.2026 and 07.05.2026 passed by the Hon'ble High Court of Delhi in CS(COMM)108 of 2025: Star India Pvt. Ltd. v. IPTV Smarter Pro & Ors

3 messages

Ishi Singh <ishi@saikrishnaassociates.com> Mon, May 18, 2026 at 1:15 PM
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Dear Sir/Ma'am,

We act on behalf of JioStar India Private Limited having its office at Star House, Urmi Estate, 95, Ganpat Rao [Kadam Marg, Lower Parel, Mumbai- 400013](#) (hereinafter referred to as **"Our Client"**). Our Client is the Plaintiff in the above-captioned suit.

Our Client is a leading entertainment and media company in India engaged, inter alia, in the production of popular content broadcast on its STAR channels. Our Client is also an exclusive right owner for several works broadcasted on its STAR channels. Our Client, along with its affiliates, is the owner of an extensive portfolio of more than 100 channels in over ten languages – including channels like Star Movies, Star Bharat, Star Gold, Jalsha Movies, Star Sports 1, Star Sports HD 1, Star Sports Select 1, Star Sports Select HD 1, Maa Movies, Star Plus, to name a few (all channels owned and/or distributed by Our Client are hereinafter collectively referred to as **"JIOSTAR Channels"**).

Our Client owns and operates the online audio-visual streaming platform and website, ["www.jiohotstar.com"](#) and ["www.jiocinema.com"](#) and the mobile application, "JioHotstar", formerly known as "Disney+Hotstar" (hereinafter collectively referred to as "JioHotstar") and JioCinema. With the widest range of content in India, JioHotstar offers over 100,000 hours of programs across genres and various languages.

Responding to copyright infringement of exclusive rights in the work of our Client's work/content ("**Content**"), a Suit was instituted against the impugned applications IPTV Smarter Pro, IPTV Stream Player, XCIPTV Player and iSTB Player ("**Impugned Applications**") along with their associated domains (impleaded as Defendant No.1-4 in the captioned matter) which engage in illegal and infringing activities (list of the domain names / websites is attached herewith), before the Hon'ble Delhi High Court, *inter alia*, for permanent injunction restraining violation of its exclusive statutory rights in the Content. Our Client also impleaded Domain Name Registrars (Defendant No.5-8), Internet Service providers (Defendant No.9-16) as well as the concerned government departments (Department of Telecommunication and the Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology) (Defendant No. 17 and 18), to ensure effective compliance of any orders that the Hon'ble Delhi High Court was inclined to pass.

The above-mentioned matter came up before the Hon'ble Justice Ms. Mini Pushkarna, Delhi High Court on 10th February 2025. The Hon'ble Court was pleased to issue notice to you and was also pleased to pass an *ex-parte ad-interim* order. The relevant para of the Order dated 10.02.2025 is extracted herein below:

"39. In the above circumstances, the plaintiff has demonstrated a prima facie case for grant of injunction and, in case, no ex-parte ad-interim injunction is granted, the plaintiff will suffer an irreparable loss. Further, balance of convenience also lies in favour of the plaintiff, and against the defendants.
40. Accordingly, the following directions are issued:

I. Defendant nos. 5 and 6 are directed to block the following websites:

a) [starshare.live](#)
[http://starshare.live:8080](#)

b) [xivv.ooo](#)
[http://xivv.ooo:8080](#)

c) [opplex.live](#)
[http://opplex.live:8080](#)

d) [smart4k.cc](#)
[http://smart4k.cc](#)

II. Defendant nos. 5 to 8, are directed to disclose the information of the registrant details and payment information, as available of the following domains:



III. Defendant nos. 9 to 16 are directed to block access to the various domains, as follows:

a) [starshare.live](#)
[http://starshare.live:8080](#)

b) [xivv.ooo](#)
[http://xivv.ooo:8080](#)

c) [opplex.live](#)
[http://opplex.live:8080](#)

d) [smart4k.cc](#)
[http://smart4k.cc](#)

IV. Defendant nos. 17 and 18 are directed to issue a notification calling upon the various internet and telecom service providers registered under it to block access to the following domains:

a) [starshare.live](#)
[http://starshare.live:8080](#)

b) [xivv.ooo](#)
[http://xivv.ooo:8080](#)

c) [opplex.live](#)
[http://opplex.live:8080](#)

d) [smart4k.cc](#)
[http://smart4k.cc](#)

V. It is further directed that in case, any domains are discovered by the plaintiff during the course of the proceedings, the same shall be notified by the plaintiff for infringing the plaintiff's exclusive rights, copyrights, by filing the same before the learned Joint Registrar (Judicial). Upon satisfaction of the learned Joint Registrar (Judicial) with respect to any infringement being carried out by any domains which are discovered by the plaintiff and notified on the affidavit, the present order shall extend to such domains also."

In lieu of the Injunction Order and order dated 10.02.2025, we filed impleadment applications (attached herewith) before the Hon'ble High Court of Delhi, for impleading additional associated domain as Defendant Nos. 81-103. The Ld. Joint Registrar was pleased to pass an order dated 27.04.2026 and 07.05.2026 in favour of the Plaintiff wherein, the following was held:

"It is worthwhile to note that the additional associated rogue websites impleaded as the defendant no. 81-96 shall be subject to the interim orders already passed in the suit. "

"It is worthwhile to note that the additional associated rogue websites impleaded as the defendant no. 97-99 shall be subject to the interim orders already passed in the suit. "

"It is worthwhile to note that the additional associated rogue websites impleaded as the defendant no. 100-103 shall be subject to the interim orders already passed in the suit. "

In light of the above, you are hereby requested to comply with the order dated 27.04.2026 and 07.05.2026, by immediately issuing notifications to all the ISPs for blocking access to the domain i.e. Defendant No.81-83, 85-92 and 97 and 100-103.

The next date of hearing in the captioned matter is 26.05.2026 before the Ld. Joint Registrar.

In compliance with the order dated 27.04.2026 and 07.05.2026 passed by the Hon'ble Court, we, on behalf of the Plaintiff, are hereby serving you the notice as an intimation of the same. This is to effectuate the service of the entire suit papers along with the Impleadment Application. The suit papers being voluminous, can be downloaded from the link below:

<https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1SXo4znNZEXDivEVbWeHVAcUfEbO5nQh>

For your convenience, please find attached the Order dated 27.04.2026 and 07.05.2026.

If you have any queries, please feel free to contact us.

Please acknowledge a safe receipt.

Regards
Ishi Singh

 27th impleadment application.pdf

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- **CLIENT CHOICE AWARDS - 2014** - Intellectual Property - Copyright – India
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* **IN THE HIGH COURT OF DELHI AT NEW DELHI**

+ **CS(COMM) 108/2025**

JIO STAR INDIA PVT LTD

.....Plaintiff

Through: Ms. Ishi Singh, Adv.
(through VC)

versus

IPTV SMARTER PRO & ORS

.....Defendant

Through: Mr. Yogesh Singh & Mr.
Anmol Dhindsa, Advs. for
D-7.

Ms. Gitanjali Kapoor & Mr.
Ashish Gupta, Advs. for
D-16 (through VC)

Ms. Suvarna Singh, Adv. for
D-45 (through VC)

(suvarna@ira.law)

(M- 996873293)

Mr. Ishkaran Singh B.
(CGSC) & Mr. Piyush
Yadav, Advs. for MEITY &
DOT.

CORAM:

**JOINT REGISTRAR (JUDICIAL), SUDHIR KUMAR
SIROHI (DHJS)**

ORDER

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Ld. counsel for the defendant no. 7 submits that the defendant no. 7 has complied with the directions of the order of the Hon'ble Court dated 07.05.2026 r/w 27.04.2026 alongwith 10.02.2025. Submissions be taken on record.

List the matter for the purpose fixed on the date already fixed i.e. **25.09.2026**.

IA No. 16748/2026 (By plaintiff u/O I Rule 10 CPC seeking



impleadment of newly identified associated domains/URLs/UIs engaged in infringing activities as defendants (associated rogue domains/URLs/UIs) and extension of ad-interim order dated 10.02.2026)

The plaintiff is seeking to implead additional rogue websites as the defendant nos. 104 to 106 since they are illegally distributing the copyrighted content of the plaintiff. The relevant details of these infringers are mentioned in para no.5 of the application. Keeping in view, the contents of this application so read in the light of the prayers made in the suit, the same is allowed.

It is worthwhile to note that the additional rogue websites impleaded as the defendant nos. 104 to 106 shall be subject to the interim orders already passed in the suit.

The amended memo of parties be taken on record.

Summons be issued to the defendant nos. 104 to 106 through all permissible modes, subject to the filing of PF.

At this stage, ld. counsel for the plaintiff requests to issue summons through email only as the newly identified defendants are rogue websites, therefore the summons be issued via emails, subject to the filing of PF.

Plaintiff is directed to bring service-affidavit on record before the next date of hearing.

**SUDHIR KUMAR SIROHI (DHJS)
JOINT REGISTRAR (JUDICIAL)**

JULY 3, 2026/jr

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

+ **CS(COMM) 108/2025**

JIO STAR INDIA PVT LTD

.....Plaintiff

Through: Ms. Ishi Singh, Adv.
(through VC)

versus

IPTV SMARTER PRO & ORS

.....Defendant

Through: Ms. Mehek Thappa & Mr.
Avish Sharma, Advs. for D-1
(through VC)

Ms. Anmol Dhindsa & Mr.
Yogesh Singh, Advs. for
D-7.

Mr. Ishakaran Singh
Bhandari (CGSC) & Mr.
Piyush Yadav, Advs. for
METY & DOT (UOI)
(through VC)
(M- 9729927381)

Ms. Harshitha Rathod, Adv.
for D-45.

CORAM:

**JOINT REGISTRAR (JUDICIAL), SUDHIR KUMAR
SIROHI (DHJS)**

ORDER

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07.05.2026

List the matter for the purpose fixed on the date already fixed
i.e. **26.05.2026**.

**IA No. 12869/2026 (By plaintiff u/O I Rule 10 CPC seeking
impleadment of newly identified associated domains/URLs/UIs
engaged in infringing activities as domains/URLs/UIs) &
extension of ad-interim order dated 10.02.2025)**

The plaintiff is seeking to implead additional rogue websites



& their domain name registrars as the defendant nos. 100 to 103 since they are illegally distributing the copyrighted content of the plaintiff. The relevant details of these infringers are mentioned in para no.5 of the application. Keeping in view, the contents of this application so read in the light of the prayers made in the suit, the same is allowed.

It is worthwhile to note that the additional rogue websites & their domain name registrars impleaded as the defendant nos. 100 to 103 shall be subject to the interim orders already passed in the suit.

The amended memo of parties be taken on record.

Summons be issued to the defendant nos. 100 to 103 through all permissible modes, subject to the filing of PF.

At this stage, ld. counsel for the plaintiff requests to issue summons through email only as the newly identified defendants are rogue websites, therefore the summons be issued via emails, subject to the filing of PF.

**SUDHIR KUMAR SIROHI (DHJS)
JOINT REGISTRAR (JUDICIAL)**

MAY 7, 2026/jr

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

+ **CS(COMM) 108/2025**

JIO STAR INDIA PVT LTD

.....Plaintiff

Through: Ms. Ishi Singh, Adv.
(through VC)

versus

IPTV SMARTER PRO & ORS

.....Defendant

Through: Mr. Yogesh Singh & Mr.
Aditya Dash, Advs. for d-7.
Mr. Ishkaran Singh Bhandari
(CGSC) & Mr. Piyush
Yadav, Advs. for D-17 & 18.
Mr. Yash Raj, Adv. for D-45.

CORAM:

**JOINT REGISTRAR (JUDICIAL), SUDHIR KUMAR
SIROHI (DHJS)**

ORDER

27.04.2026

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List the matter for the purpose fixed on the date already fixed
i.e. 26.05.2026.

**IA No. 6750/2025 By plaintiff u/O I Rule 10 CPC seeking
impleadment of newly identified associated domains/URLs/UIs,
their domain name registrar engaged in infringing activities as
defendants (associated rogue domains/URLs/UIs) & extension
of ad-interim order dated 10.02.2025)**

The said IA is taken up on request of ld. counsel for the
plaintiff.

The plaintiff is seeking to implead additional rogue websites
& their domain name registrars as the defendant nos. 81 to 96 since



they are illegally distributing the copyrighted content of the plaintiff. The relevant details of these infringers are mentioned in para no.6 of the application. Keeping in view, the contents of this application so read in the light of the prayers made in the suit, the same is allowed.

It is worthwhile to note that the additional rogue websites & their domain name registrars impleaded as the defendant nos. 81 to 96 shall be subject to the interim orders already passed in the suit.

The amended memo of parties be taken on record.

Summons be issued to the defendant nos. 81 to 96 through all permissible modes, subject to the filing of PF.

At this stage, ld. counsel for the plaintiff requests to issue summons through email only as the newly identified defendants are rogue websites, therefore the summons be issued via emails, subject to the filing of PF.

IA No. 11633/2026 (By plaintiff u/O I Rule 10 CPC seeking impleadment of newly identified associated domains/URLs/UIs, their domain name registrar engaged in infringing activities as defendants (associated rogue domains/URLs/UIs) & extension of ad-interim order dated 10.02.2025)

The plaintiff is seeking to implead additional rogue websites & their domain name registrars as the defendant nos. 97 to 99 since they are illegally distributing the copyrighted content of the plaintiff. The relevant details of these infringers are mentioned in para no. 5 of the application. Keeping in view, the contents of this application so read in the light of the prayers made in the suit, the same is allowed.

It is worthwhile to note that the additional rogue websites & their domain name registrars impleaded as the defendant nos. 97 to 99 shall be subject to the interim orders already passed in the suit.

The amended memo of parties be taken on record.



Summons be issued to the defendant nos. 97 to 99 through all permissible modes, subject to the filing of PF.

At this stage, ld. counsel for the plaintiff requests to issue summons through email only as the newly identified defendants are rogue websites, therefore the summons be issued via emails, subject to the filing of PF.

**SUDHIR KUMAR SIROHI (DHJS)
JOINT REGISTRAR (JUDICIAL)**

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

+ **CS(COMM) 108/2025**

JIO STAR INDIA PVT LTD

.....Plaintiff

Through: Ms. Ishi Singh, Adv.
(through VC)

versus

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Through: Ms. Mehak Thappa & Mr.
Avish Sharma, Advs. for D-1
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Anmol Dhindsa, Advs. for
D-7.

Mr. Ashish Gupta, Adv. for
D-16 (through VC)

Mr. Ishkaran Singh Bhandari
(CGSC) & Mr. Piyush
Yadav, Advs. for D-17 &
18/UOI. (M- 9729927381)

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Mr. Shivansh Tiwari, Adv.
for D-45. (M- 9711953311)

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CORAM:

**JOINT REGISTRAR (JUDICIAL), SUDHIR KUMAR
SIROHI (DHJS)**

ORDER

18.02.2026

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Ld. counsel for the plaintiff requests that the summons may be issued afresh to defendant nos. 41 to 53 as the PF was filed lately. Accordingly, issue fresh summons against these defendant through all permissible modes, subject to the filing of PF for the next date of hearing. Steps to be taken within seven days.



Service-affidavit of the plaintiff must be on record before the next date of hearing.

List the matter for the purpose fixed on the date already fixed i.e. 17.03.2026.

IA No. 3337/2026 (By plaintiff u/o 1 Rule 10 r/w Section 151 CPC seeking impleadment of newly identified associated domains/URLs/UIs, engaged in infringing activities as defendants (associated rogue domains/URLs/UIs) & extension of ad-interim order dated 10.02.2025)

The plaintiff is seeking to implead additional associated rogue websites as the defendant no. 80 since it is illegally distributing the copyrighted content of the plaintiff. The relevant details of this infringer are mentioned in para no. 5 of the application. Keeping in view, the contents of this application so read in the light of the prayers made in the suit, the same is allowed.

It is worthwhile to note that the additional associated rogue websites impleaded as the defendant no. 80 shall be subject to the interim orders already passed in the suit.

The amended memo of parties be taken on record. Summons be issued to the defendant no. 80 through all permissible modes, subject to the filing of PF.

At this stage, Id. counsel for the plaintiff requests to issue summons through email only as the newly identified defendant is rogue websites, therefore the summons be issued via emails, subject to the filing of PF.

**SUDHIR KUMAR SIROHI (DHJS)
JOINT REGISTRAR (JUDICIAL)**

FEBRUARY 18, 2026/jr

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

+ CS(COMM) 108/2025 & I.A. Nos. 3363/2025, 3364/2025,
3365/2025, 3366/2025 & 3367/2025

STAR INDIA PVT. LTD.

.....Plaintiff

Through: Mr. Siddharth Chopra with
Mr. Yatinder Garg, Ms. Disha
Sharma, Ms. Rimjhim Tiwari and
Ms. Ishi Singh, Advocates.
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versus

IPTV SMARTER PRO & ORS.

.....Defendants

Through: Mr. Avish Sharma with
Mr. Subhashish Kumar, Mr. Himesh
Dwivedi and Ms. Ishika Jain,
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Dutta, Mr. Arjun Mookerjee and
Ms. Nikita Rathi, Advocates for
defendant no. 7.
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HON'BLE MS. JUSTICE MINI PUSHKARNA

ORDER

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10.02.2025

I.A. 3365/2025 (Exemption from filing original and certified copies of documents)

1. The present is an application under Section 151 of the Code of Civil



Procedure, 1908 (“CPC”), on behalf of the plaintiff, seeking exemption from filing original documents/certified copies of documents/clearer copies of documents/documents with appropriate margins/translated copies and seeking permission to file dim documents.

2. Exemption is granted, subject to all just exceptions.

3. Plaintiff shall file legible, clear, and translated copies of the documents, on which the plaintiff may seek to place reliance, before the next date of hearing.

4. Accordingly, the present application is disposed of.

I.A. 3364/2025 (Exemption from undergoing Pre-Institution Mediation)

5. The present is an application under Section 12A of the Commercial Courts Act, 2015, read with Section 151 of CPC, seeking exemption from undergoing Pre-Institution Mediation.

6. Issue notice to the defendants.

7. Notice is accepted by learned counsels appearing for defendant nos. 1 and 7.

8. Let notice be issued to other defendants.

I.A. 3367/2025 (Application seeking leave to file additional documents)

9. This is an application under Order XI Rule 1(4) read with Section 151 CPC, as amended by the Commercial Courts Act, 2015, seeking leave to file additional documents.

10. The plaintiff, if it wishes to file additional documents at a later stage, shall do so strictly as per the provisions of Commercial Courts Act, 2015 and the Delhi High Court (Original Side) Rules, 2018.

11. The application is disposed of, with the aforesaid directions.

I.A. 3366/2025 (Exemption from advance service to the defendant nos.



10, 13, 17 and 18)

12. The present is an application under Section 80(2), read with Section 151 CPC, seeking exemption from advance notice to the defendant nos. 10 (BSNL), 13 (MTNL), 17 [Department of Telecommunication (DoT)] and 18 [Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MEITY)].

13. Considering the submissions made before this Court and considering the urgent nature of the suit, exemption is allowed.

14. With the aforesaid directions, the present application is disposed of.

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15. Let the plaint be registered as suit.

16. Issue summons.

17. Summons is accepted by learned counsels appearing for defendant nos. 1 and 7. Let written statement be filed within thirty days from today by the said defendants.

18. Upon filing of the Process Fee, issue summons to the other defendants by all permissible modes.

19. Let the written statement be filed by the other defendants within thirty days from the date of receipt of summons. Along with the written statement, the defendants shall also file affidavit of admission/denial of the plaintiff's documents, without which, the written statement shall not be taken on record.

20. Liberty is given to the plaintiff to file replication within thirty days from the date of receipt of the written statement. Further, along with the replication, if any, filed by the plaintiff, an affidavit of admission/denial of documents of the defendants, be filed by the plaintiff, without which, the replication shall not be taken on record. If any of the parties wish to seek



inspection of the documents, the same shall be sought and given within the timelines.

21. List before the Joint Registrar (Judicial) for marking of exhibits, on 14th April, 2025.

22. List before the Court on 14th July, 2025.

I.A. 3363/2025 (Application under Order XXXIX Rules 1 and 2 CPC)

23. The present suit has been filed for permanent injunction restraining the defendant nos. 1 to 4 alleging that they are engaged in the infringement of plaintiff's copyrights and broadcast reproduction rights, rendition of accounts, damages, etc.

24. Learned counsel appearing for the plaintiff submits that the plaintiff is a leading entertainment and media company in India, engaged, *inter alia*, in the production of popular content broadcast on its STAR channels. The plaintiff is also an exclusive right owner for several work broadcasted on its STAR channels. Plaintiff, along with its affiliates, is the owner of an extensive portfolio of more than 100 channels in over ten languages – including channels like Star Movies, Colors Infinity, Sports18, Star Bharat, Star Gold, Jalsha Movies, Star Sports 1, Star Sports HD 1, Star Sports Select 1, Star Sports Select HD 1, Maa Movies, Star Plus, Colors, Colors Rishtey, VH1, MTV, Disney Channel, National Geographic.

25. It is submitted that plaintiff also owns and operates the online audio-visual streaming platform and website, www.hotstar.com, www.Jiocinema.com and the mobile application, 'Disney+Hotstar', formerly known as 'Hotstar' and JioCinema.

26. It is further submitted that the STAR Channels also broadcast various sporting events in the field of cricket, football, F1, badminton, tennis,



hockey etc. Thus, by virtue of quality of content and the time, effort and resources expended by plaintiff, to advertise and promote the channels, the channels of the plaintiff are extremely popular amongst the viewing audiences. The STAR Channels have acquired tremendous goodwill and reputation in the entertainment industry amongst the people.

27. It is submitted that plaintiff's OTTs i.e., Disney+ Hotstar and JioCinema enable viewers to watch television serials and programs, films, sports content including live sports content, trailers of upcoming films and television serials, international content, including, viewing schedules of content offered etc.

28. Learned counsel appearing for the plaintiff submits that the rogue Apps, by hosting the original content and making available the streaming of plaintiff's STAR Channels without authorization, are causing irreparable harm and grave monetary loss to the plaintiff by diverting viewers away from its platforms, Disney+Hotstar and JioCinema, thereby, undermining the value of plaintiff's intellectual property, depriving plaintiff of rightful revenue streams, and enabling piracy and copyright infringement on a large scale, thereby damaging the plaintiff's business.

29. It is submitted that defendant no. 1's rogue App showcases content under four categories, viz. Indian Sports, Disney+Hotstar, JioCinema Cricket, Big Boss Series, and Indian Entertainment. The defendant no. 1's App can be accessed through Android devices as well as iOS devices, wherein, various channels of plaintiff's works and logo are being made available for public viewing

30. It is submitted that as per information on the 'About Us' page of defendant no.1's rogue App, it claims to be a software development



company specializing in ‘Custom OTT’.

31. It is submitted that the plaintiff also issued a Cease and Desist notice to defendant no. 1 on 08th October, 2024, however, no response has been received on its behalf and the rogue App continues to make available infringing content.

32. It is submitted that defendant nos. 2 and 3, have structured their platforms in a manner that closely mirrors the operational framework of defendant no. 1. The application of defendant no. 3 offers subscription packages under two distinct categories, which is available on a yearly subscription basis. These packages provide users with illegal access to a wide range of plaintiff’s work/content, including, but not limited to live sports events, movies, series, and other forms of entertainment.

33. Learned counsel appearing for the plaintiff has drawn the attention of this Court to the various documents to show that the content, over which the plaintiff has copyright, is being streamed by the defendant nos. 1 to 4.

34. Issue notice.

35. Notice is accepted by learned counsels appearing for defendant nos. 1 and 7.

36. Learned counsel appearing for defendant no. 1 submits that defendant no. 1 is only a video player and does not indulge in any infringing activity.

37. Per contra, learned counsel appearing for the plaintiff submits that though the defendant no. 1, including, defendant nos. 2, 3 and 4, may be a video player, however, the content being streamed on their video player, infringes the copyright of the plaintiff. Thus, learned counsel appearing for the plaintiff submits that as of today, the plaintiff is praying for directions to defendant nos. 5 and 6 to block the websites, which infringe the copyrighted



content of the plaintiff, which are streamed on the platforms of defendant nos. 1 to 4.

38. Learned counsel appearing for defendant no. 1 appearing on advance notice submits that defendant no. 1 is only a video player and does not encourage any infringing content, therefore, it has no objection if directions are issued to defendant nos. 5 and 6 to block the websites in question.

39. In the above circumstances, the plaintiff has demonstrated a *prima facie* case for grant of injunction and, in case, no *ex-parte ad-interim* injunction is granted, the plaintiff will suffer an irreparable loss. Further, balance of convenience also lies in favour of the plaintiff, and against the defendants.

40. Accordingly, the following directions are issued:

I. Defendant nos. 5 and 6 are directed to block the following websites:

a) starshare.live

<http://starshare.live:8080>

b) xtv.ooo

<http://xtv.ooo:8080>

c) opplex.live

<http://opplex.live:8080>

d) smart4k.cc

<http://smart4k.cc>

II. Defendant nos. 5 to 8, are directed to disclose the information of the registrant details and payment information, as available of the following domains:



S.No.	Domain Name / Website
1.	starshare.live (http://starshare.live:8080)
2.	xtv.ooo (http://xtv.ooo:8080)
3.	opplex.live (http://opplex.live:808)
4.	smart4k.cc (http://smart4k.cc)
5.	https://iptvsmarterpro.app/
6.	https://www.iptvsmarters.com/
7.	https://iptvstreamplayer.com/
8.	https://xciptv.com/

III. Defendant nos. 9 to 16 are directed to block access to the various domains, as follows:

- a) starshare.live
<http://starshare.live:8080>
- b) xtv.ooo
<http://xtv.ooo:8080>
- c) opplex.live
<http://opplex.live:8080>
- d) smart4k.cc
<http://smart4k.cc>

IV. Defendant nos. 17 and 18 are directed to issue a notification calling



upon the various internet and telecom service providers registered under it to block access to the following domains:

- a) starshare.live
<http://starshare.live:8080>
- b) xtv.ooo
<http://xtv.ooo:8080>
- c) opplex.live
<http://opplex.live:8080>
- d) smart4k.cc
<http://smart4k.cc>

V. It is further directed that in case, any domains are discovered by the plaintiff during the course of the proceedings, the same shall be notified by the plaintiff for infringing the plaintiff's exclusive rights, copyrights, by filing the same before the learned Joint Registrar (Judicial). Upon satisfaction of the learned Joint Registrar (Judicial) with respect to any infringement being carried out by any domains which are discovered by the plaintiff and notified on the affidavit, the present order shall extend to such domains also.

41. Issue notice to the other defendants by all permissible modes, upon filing of the Process Fee, returnable on the next date of hearing.

42. Let reply be filed by the defendants within a period of four weeks.

43. In their reply, defendant nos. 1 to 4 shall also disclose compliance with respect to the Information Technology (Intermediary Guidelines and Digital Media Ethics Code), Rules, 2021.

44. Rejoinder thereto, if any, be filed within two weeks, thereafter.

45. Compliance of Order XXXIX Rule 3 CPC, be done, within a period



of one week, from today.

46. List before the Court on 14th July, 2025.

MINI PUSHKARNA, J

FEBRUARY 10, 2025

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Annexure

Subject: Action requested to be taken by MEITY and Plaintiff 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 states 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 plaintiff 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 plaintiff 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.