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* IN THE HIGH COURT OF DELHI AT NEW DELHI

+ CS(COMM) 1384/2025 & I.A. 32240-32244/2025

SNV AVIATION PRIVATE LIMITEDPlaintiff

Through: Mr. Essenese Obhan, Ms. Ayesha

Guhathakurta and Ms. Urvika

Aggarwal, Advs.

versus

ALASKA AVIATION ACADEMY PRIVATE LIMITED AND OTHERSDefendants

Through: None

CORAM:

HON'BLE MS. JUSTICE MANMEET PRITAM SINGH ARORA ORDER

% <u>22.12.2025</u>

I.A. 32241/2025 (seeking exemption)

- 1. This is an application under section 151 Code of Civil Procedure, 1908 ('CPC'), seeking exemption from filing dim/illegible and original/certified copies of documents.
- 2. Subject to the Plaintiff filing dim/illegible and certified copies of documents within a period of four (4) weeks from today, exemption is granted for the present, <u>failing which</u>, the plaintiff will not be entitled to rely <u>upon these documents</u>.
- 3. Original documents shall be produced/filed at the time of Admission/Denial, if sought, strictly as per the provisions of the Commercial Courts Act, 2015 and the Delhi High Court (Original Side) Rules, 2018.
- 4. The application is disposed of.

I.A. 32242/2025(seeking leave to file additional documents)

5. This is an application seeking leave to file additional documents under

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Order XI Rule 1(4) of the CPC read with Section 151 CPC, within thirty (30) days.

- 6. The Plaintiff, if it wishes to file additional documents will file the same within thirty (30) days from today, and it shall do so strictly as per the provisions of the Commercial Courts Act and the Delhi High Court (Original Side) Rules, 2018 ('DHC Rules').
- 7. For the reasons stated in the application, the same is allowed.
- 8. Accordingly, the application is disposed of.

I.A. 32243/2025(seeking pre-institution mediation)

- 9. This is an application under Section 12A of the Commercial Courts Act, 2015 read with Section 151 CPC, filed by the Plaintiff seeking exemption from instituting pre-litigation mediation.
- 10. Having regard to the facts that the present suit contemplates urgent interim relief and in light of the judgement of the Supreme Court in **Yamini Manohar v. T.K.D. Keerthi**¹, exemption from the requirement of preinstitution mediation is granted to the Plaintiff.
- 11. Accordingly, the application stands disposed of.

I.A. 32244/2025 (seeking exemption from advance service)

- 12. The present application has been filed under Section 151 of CPC, on behalf of the plaintiff seeking exemption from the requirement of advance service of the paper book on Defendant nos. 11, 14, 15, 16, 17 and 18.
- 13. For the reason stated in the application, exemption is allowed.
- 14. Accordingly, the application stands disposed of.

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- 15. Let the plaint be registered as a suit.
- 16. Summons be issued to defendant nos. 1 to 6 and 17 through all





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modes.

- 17. Given the lack of complete particulars, summons be issued to Defendant nos. 7 to 16 through e-mode.
- 18. Affidavit of service be filed within two (2) weeks.
- 19. The summons shall indicate that the written statement(s) must be filed within thirty (30) days from the date of receipt of the summons. The Defendants shall also file affidavit(s) of admission/denial of the documents filed by the Plaintiff, failing which the written statement(s) shall not be taken on record.
- 20. The Plaintiff is at liberty to file replication thereto within thirty (30) days after filing of the written statement(s). The replication shall be accompanied by affidavit of admission/denial in respect of the documents filed by Defendants, failing which the replication shall not be taken on record.
- 21. It is made clear that any unjustified denial of documents may lead to an order of costs against the concerned party.
- 22. Any party seeking inspection of documents may do so in accordance with the Delhi High Court (Original Side) Rules, 2018.
- 23. No summons is being issued to Defendant no. 18 since it is an unknown identity, which has been impleaded as John Doe.
- 24. No summons is being issued to defendant nos. 19 to 26 since they are proforma Defendants and appropriate directions have been issued to them in I.A. 32240/2025.
- 25. The Plaintiff is granted liberty to file amended memo of parties vis-àvis Defendant nos. 7 to 16 and 18 after receiving further BSI information

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from the proforma defendants.

- 26. List before the learned Joint Registrar (J) on **03.02.2026.**
- 27. List before Court on **22.05.2026**.

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- 28. The present suit has been filed for permanent injunction restraining the infringing defendants from infringement of trademark, passing off, unfair competition, rendition of accounts, damages etc.
- 29. Learned counsel for the Plaintiff sets up the Plaintiff's case as follows:
- 29.1. The Plaintiff, SNV Aviation Private Limited, is a well-known and esteemed airline company and has been consistently serving the travel industry with distinction.
- 29.2. The Plaintiff has been continuously and extensively using its renowned trademarks, in all its forms and variations, since at least 2021 and holds several registrations for its mark AKASA AIR and other formatives in India as well as in other jurisdictions, details of which are given at paragraphs 13 and 15 of the plaint.
- 29.3. The Plaintiff has also been operating its website as available at https://www.akasaair.com since 2021, which provides extensive information about the services offered by the Plaintiff.
- 29.4. Plaintiff has, under the Plaintiff's trademarks, made extensive sales running into crores of rupees over the past years. For the financial year 2024-25 (till date) the Plaintiff's total external turnover is of Rs. 4582.7 crores as mentioned in paragraph 16 of the plaint.





Overview of the Defendants:

29.5. Defendant Nos. 1-18 are colluding and perpetuating *job scams* by impersonating the Plaintiff and unauthorisedly using the Plaintiff's trademarks "AKASA", "AKASA AIR", "SNV Aviation",







", as well as the impugned marks "AKASHA" and "AKAASA", in an attempt to cheat and extract money from various unwary individuals.

29.6. The Plaintiff has received multiple emails and complaints from several members of the public stating that Defendant Nos. 1 to 18 have contacted them through telephone calls and emails, falsely representing themselves as agents or employees of the Plaintiff company and offering purported employment opportunities therein. In the course of such communications, the said defendants demanded payment of "process fees" under the false pretext of recruitment.

29.7. Such acts amount to impersonation and fraud, are calculated to deceive unsuspecting job seekers in the name of the Plaintiff, and have resulted in unlawful monetary gain to the Defendants, while simultaneously causing serious reputational harm, loss of goodwill, and erosion of public trust in the Plaintiff's well-established brand and corporate identity. Details pertaining to the complaint received by the Plaintiff against the Defendant's infringing activities are given at paragraph 92 of the plaint.

29.8. It is stated that Defendants have registered infringing domain name which appropriate the trademark of the Plaintiff and thereby mislead the





unwary public into believing that the websites and email addresses associated with these domain names are associated with the Plaintiffs. In this application, the Plaintiff seeks suspension of these domain names. The Plaintiff has also enlisted the mobile numbers through which the infringing Defendants have approached the public and the bank account/UPI Ids used by the infringing Defendants for collecting monies. In this application, the Plaintiff seeks blocking of said mobile numbers and bank account/UPI Ids. 29.9. Defendant Nos. 19-26 include domain name registrars (Defendant Nos. 19-21), government entities (Defendant Nos. 22-24) and banks (Defendant Nos. 25-26). Defendant Nos. 19- 26 are not alleged to be infringers themselves, however their services are being used/abused by Defendant Nos. 1-18, to carry out the impugned activities, whereas Defendant no. 18 is a John Doe entity.

Court's Findings:

- 30. The Court, upon consideration of the material on record, is of the opinion that a prima facie case is made out in favour of the Plaintiff. The acts of the infringing Defendants in approaching unwary members of the public, falsely representing that they are offering employment on behalf of the Plaintiff, and demanding "process fees" for such employment, when the Plaintiff admittedly follows no such practice clearly amounts to misrepresentation, deception, and passing off.
- 31. The balance of convenience lies in favour of the Plaintiff, and if the Defendants are not restrained, the Plaintiff would suffer irreparable injury which cannot be adequately compensated in terms of money. The injunction is also necessary to protect the interests of the general public who are being ensnared by the infringing Defendants. Accordingly, this Court finds it just





and necessary to grant an injunction restraining the Defendants from continuing such fraudulent activities.

- 32. Accordingly, till the next date of hearing, the following directions are being issued:
 - I. Defendant no. 1 to 18 and all other persons acting on their behalf, are restrained from infringing the Plaintiff's trademarks, and any mark identical and/or deceptively similar to the Plaintiff's trademarks, in any form as well as passing off their business as/for the business of the Plaintiff on any email address, domain name, letter heads, offer letters etc., in any manner whatsoever.
- II. Defendant No.19/ Godaddy.com, LLC is directed to suspend and lock domain name, <u>https://hrakasaair.com</u>
- III. Defendant No. 20/HOSTINGER Operations is directed to suspend and lock the domain names, http://akaasaservices.com and http://akasaairltd.com/ respectively.
- IV. Defendant No. 21/SRS AB to is directed to suspend and lock domain name, http://akasaairltd.com/.
- V. Defendant Nos. 22/MeitY and Defendant no. 23/DoT are directed to issue necessary directions to Telecom Service Providers (TSPs) to disclose all the KYC details of Defendant Nos. 5, 11, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17 and 18, as well as block the mobile numbers of the aforementioned Defendants, as mentioned in <u>ANNEXURE-A attached along with this Order</u>.
- VI. Defendant No. 24/ National Payments Corporation of India is directed to direct the concerned bank/financial institutions to disclose all the KYC details pertaining to the UPI IDs vivek.karn240891-





- <u>1@okhdfcbank</u> and <u>karansingh8513@naviaxis</u> and to block the said UPI Ids.
- VII. Defendant No.25/ Housing Development Finance Corporation Bank is directed to provide KYC details and block the bank account/UPI ID pertaining to Defendant no. 5: vivek.karn240891-1@okhdfcbank
- VIII. Defendant No. 26/ Canara Bank is directed to provide KYC details and block the bank account as well as the UPI ID pertaining to the Account number: 110243461730 of Defendant no. 15.
 - 33. Defendant nos. 19 to 26 are directed to comply with the aforesaid directions within one (1) week.
 - 34. Issue notice to Defendant nos. 1 to 26 through all modes.
 - 35. Reply be filed by Defendant nos. 1 to 18 within three (3) weeks. Rejoinder thereto, be filed within three (3) weeks thereafter.
 - 36. Defendant nos. 19 to 26 are directed to file their compliance affidavit within three (3) weeks.
 - 37. Compliance of Order XXXIX Rule 3 of CPC be done within a period of three (3) weeks from today.
 - 38. List before the learned Joint Registrar (J) on **03.02.2026.**
 - 39. List before Court on **22.05.2026.**
 - 40. The digitally signed copy of this order, duly uploaded on the official website of the Delhi High Court, www.delhihighcourt.nic.in, shall be treated as a certified copy of the order for the purpose of ensuring compliance. No physical copy of order shall be insisted by any authority/entity or litigant.

MANMEET PRITAM SINGH ARORA, J

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ANNEXURE-A

Defendant	Contact Number
Defendant No.5	+917217832243
Mr. Vivek Kumar	
Defendant No.11	9560477344
Ms. Jyoti	
Defendant No.13	09088338801
Mr. Veer Singh/ Mr. Raj	
Bahadur	
Defendant No.14	09520234207
Mr. Ravindra Kumar	
Upadhayay	
Defendant No.15	09211821090
Mr. Brajesh Kumar	
Defendant No.16	09211815196, 07042321697
Parul Singh	
Defendant No. 17	+917836924570
Sanjay Yadav	
Defendant No.18	
Mr. Ravikant	+91 9266389126
Mr. Rakesh Chaturvedi	+91 8376036641
Mr. Rishav Singh	96667821642