



IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
ORDINARY ORIGINAL CIVIL JURISDICTION

LEAVE PETITION (L) NO. 19882 OF 2026

Preity G. Zinta ...Petitioner
Vs.
Google LLC & Ors. ...Respondents

Mr. Rohan Kadam i/b B. Munim & Co. for the Petitioner.

CORAM : ABHAY AHUJA, J.
DATE : 16th JUNE, 2026

PC. :

1. This Petition seeks leave under Clause XII of the Letters Patent.
2. Mr. Kadam, learned Counsel appears for the Petitioner and submits that the Plaintiff in the Suit proposed to be filed, who is a renowned, award winning actress, film producer, entrepreneur and a widely celebrated personality, is seeking to file the Suit for injunction against the Defendants for breach of her personality rights, infringement of copy right and for loss of her immense goodwill and reputation and also violation of Petitioner's moral rights under Section 62 of the Copyright Act, 1957 as the Defendants through AI generated deep fake videos, memes, manipulated images, AI generated chatbot personas and other digital contents created, uploaded, disseminated and made available to the general public from the various platforms are infringing her rights.

3. Mr. Kadam submits that the Petitioner is an Indian national, who is in India and primarily resides and works for gain in Mumbai within the jurisdiction of this Court and as such her goodwill, reputation, persona and features thereof are situate within the jurisdiction of this Court. That the dissemination of the offending materials are not only taking place within Mumbai, but also all over the world. That, therefore, although part of cause of action has arisen within the jurisdiction of this Court, considering that the Respondents No. 1 to 16 have their offices outside the jurisdiction of this Court and the offending activities and actions are on online platform, part of cause of action would have arisen outside the jurisdiction of this Court and with leave granted by this Court under Clause XII of the Letters Patent, this Court would have jurisdiction to entertain, try and dispose of the Suit.

4. Mr. Kadam has drawn this Court's attention to paragraph 7 of the Leave Petition and paragraph 39 of the Plaint in the proposed Suit in support of his contentions.

5. Having heard the learned Counsel and having considered his submissions and also having perused paragraph 7 of the Leave Petition and paragraph 39 of the Plaint, this Court is of the view that, for reasons as contained in the said paragraphs and as submitted by the

learned Counsel, leave under Clause XII of the Letters Patent be granted and is hereby granted in terms of prayer Clause (a) of the Petition, which reads thus:

“(a) that this Hon’ble Court be pleased to grant leave under Clause XII of the Letters Patent to enable the Petitioner to file the present Suit in this Hon’ble Court.”

6. The Petition accordingly stands allowed and disposed as above.

(ABHAY AHUJA, J.)

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