

IA No: GA-Com 1 of 2024
APOT No. 211 of 2024
with
CS-Com No. 140 of 2024
IN THE HIGH COURT AT CALCUTTA
In appeal from its
ORDINARY ORIGINAL CIVIL JURISDICTION
CIVIL APPELLATE JURISDICTION
(Commercial Division)

Vodafone Idea Ltd.
Versus
The Indian Performing Right Society Ltd.

Before:
The Hon'ble Justice I. P. MUKERJI
And
The Hon'ble Justice BISWAROOP CHOWDHURY
Date: 22nd May 2024

Appearance:
Mr. S. N. Mookherji, Sr. Advocate
Mr. Ratnanko Banerjee, Sr. Advocate
Mr. Arunabha Deb, Advocate
Mr. Soumabho Ghose, Advocate
Mr. Deepan Kr. Sarkar, Advocate
Ms. Ashika Daga, Advocate
Mr. Raunak Das Sharma, Advocate
Mr. Ashish Bhar, Advocate
Mr. Aayush Mitrika, Advocate
Ms. Lisa Mishra, Advocate
for the appellant

Mr. Anindya Kr. Mitra, Advocate
Mr. Abhrajit Mitra, Sr. Advocate
Mr. Soumya Ray Chowdhury, Advocate
Mr. Himangshu Bagai, Advocate
Mr. Sarosij Dasgupta, Advocate
Mr. Kushal Gupta, Advocate
Ms. Swastika Sengupta, Advocate
Ms. Susrea Mitra, Advocate
Mr. Surajit Biswas, Advocate
Mr. Arijeet Bera, Advocate
for the respondent

The Court: We have heard learned counsel for the parties.

Shortly this court will be closing for its summer vacation and reopening on 10th June 2024.

List this appeal and the connected application for further consideration on 12th June 2024.

As an interim arrangement and order, advocates-on-record for the parties, viz. Ms. Ashika Daga, advocate-on-record for the appellant

and Mr. Kushal Gupta, advocate-on-record for the respondent are appointed as Joint Special Officers.

All earnings and collections from 17th May 2024 from the subject matter of the order of injunction i.e. “IPRS’s repertoire of musical and literary works or any part of the same”, made by the appellant less GST paid or payable thereon shall be deposited by the appellant through the Joint Special Officers with Standard Chartered Bank, 6, Church Lane, Kolkata.

The Joint Special Officers shall open a savings account in their joint names in the above bank to be operated by them jointly and hold the amount credited into the said account till further orders are passed by this court.

We direct limited stay of the order of injunction granted by the impugned judgment and order dated 17th May 2024 in paragraph 32(iv) at internal page 29 thereof till 24th June 2024 or until further orders whichever is earlier.

The Joint Special Officers shall file a short report with a statement of account attached in this court on the returnable date.

(I. P. MUKERJI, J.)

(BISWAROOP CHOWDHURY, J.)