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

+ **RFA 385/2026, CM APPL. 25785/2026**

CAPTAIN RAHUL PANCHALAppellant

Through: **Mr. Om Prakash, Advocate**

versus

AIR INDIA LTD.Respondent

Through: **Mr. Rajesh Ranjan, Ms. Jigyasa Parashar and Mr. Shivkant arora, Advocates**

CORAM:

HON'BLE MS. JUSTICE NEENA BANSAL KRISHNA

ORDER

% **20.04.2026**

CM APPL. 25784/2026

1. Allowed, subject to all just exceptions.
2. The Application stands disposed of.

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3. Regular First Appeal under Section 96 read with Order XLI of the Code of Civil Procedure, 1908 (CPC) has been filed against the judgment and decree dated 23.08.2025 whereby the Suit of the Plaintiff/Appellant for declaring the termination letter dated 27.05.2021, which contains a covenant about recovery of Rs.50 lakhs as liquidated damages of the service led within 10 years of employment is mentioned.
4. On advance Notice, learned Counsel for the Respondent has appeared and accepted the Notice.
5. List for arguments on 24.09.2026.
6. E-Trial Court Record be summoned on or before the next date of



hearing.

7. Written Submissions be filed by both the parties within eight weeks failing which the same shall be accepted subject to cost of Rs.25,000/- to be deposited with the Delhi High Court Advocates' Welfare Trust.

8. Learned Counsel for the Respondent submits that they have not initiated any proceeding for recovery of liquidated damages because of the pendency of the Suit before the learned Trial Court.

9. No recovery be effected of the liquidated damages till the disposal of the Appeal.

NEENA BANSAL KRISHNA, J

APRIL 20, 2026

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