

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

INTERIM APPLICATION (L) NO. 6613 OF 2026
IN
COMMERCIAL IP SUIT (L) NO. 6538 OF 2026

Novex Communications Private Limited

...Applicant/
Plaintiff

Versus

Unison Hotels Pvt Ltd

...Defendant

Mr. Rashmin Khandekar a/w Mr. Kunal Parekh i/b Dua Associates, for the Plaintiff.

Mr. Rushabh Sheth a/w Mr. Aditya Mhatre, Mr. Akash Chatterjee, Mr. Sanath Warkar i/b Lawfort advocates, for the Defendant.

CORAM : SHARMILA U. DESHMUKH, J.

DATE : May 07, 2026

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1. Interim Application has been preferred seeking order of injunction restraining the Defendant from publicly performing or in any manner communicating the sound recordings of the songs assigned and authorized to the Plaintiff or allowing their premises to be used for the said purpose or otherwise infringing copyright in the sound recordings owned by the Plaintiff.
2. Mr. Khandekar would submit that there was unauthorized

broadcasting of the Plaintiff's sound recordings on 31st December, 2025 and 1st January, 2026 at an event named New Year's Eve, 2025 held at the Defendant's premises. He submits that the event was attended by the Plaintiff's representative, who has video recorded the infringing act of communication of the Plaintiff's sound recordings and affidavit to that effect has been filed.

3. Mr. Sheth, learned counsel for the Defendant would submit that on 30th December, 2025, an email was sent to the Plaintiff informing them to raise the purchase invoice of Rs. 70,000/- plus taxes to process the payment of new year's eve. He submits that the email indicates that there was confirmation as regards the amount which was to be paid for the purpose of playing the Plaintiff's copyrighted sound recordings. He submits that there were discussions between the parties and the said email has been suppressed.

4. At this stage, for the purpose of grant of ad-interim relief, it cannot be disputed that the Defendant was aware that they had to secure license for the purpose of playing the Plaintiff's sound recordings which is evident from their own email dated 30th December, 2025.

5. As Defendant is a hotel, where various events would be scheduled, the apprehension of the Plaintiff that the Plaintiff's copyrighted sound recordings could be violated at the events

scheduled at the Defendant's hotel is not unfounded. Considering the paucity of time, it is not possible for this Court to hear the Interim Application finally.

6. Stand over to 17th June, 2026.

7. Till the next date, in view of the fact that the Plaintiff's sound recordings were communicated in the event held on 31st December, 2025, ad-interim relief is granted in terms of prayer clause (a).

[SHARMILA U. DESHMUKH, J.]