

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

INTERIM APPLICATION (L) NO.21038 OF 2024

IN

SUIT (L) NO.21000 OF 2024

Lopa Rajendra Bhatt ... Applicant

In the matter of:

Lopa Rajendra Bhatt ... Plaintiff

V/s.

Kishor Chhabria & Ors. ... Defendants

Mr. Hrushi Narvekar i/by Suyash Khosa, Siddarth Sutaria, Ashwin Hirulkar for the Applicant/Plaintiff.

Mr. Manas Kotak, Vidhi Basrani i/by Shardul Amarchand Mangaldas & Company for Defendant No.2.

Mr. Nirav Parmar, Aryan Deshmukh i/by Indus Law for Defendant No.3.

CORAM : ARIF S. DOCTOR, J.

DATE : 9TH OCTOBER 2024

P.C. :

1. This is a Suit for defamation.
2. Today, Learned Counsel appearing on behalf of Defendant Nos. 2 and 3 raise a grievance that though a copy of the Suit and Interim Application has been served upon their clients, exhibits are not annexed to the same.

3. Learned Counsel appearing on behalf of Defendant No.3 also submits that Defendant No.3 has been incorrectly joined as a party to the Suit, to this Learned Counsel for the Plaintiff submits that at this stage he has not pressing for reliefs against Defendant No.3.

4. Learned Counsel appearing on behalf of the Plaintiff has taken me through the Plaintiff as also annexures and pointed out that the Plaintiff is being gravely prejudice by certain social media posts of Defendant No.1. He submits that Defendant No.1 has been making false, reckless and defamatory statements against the Plaintiff, as a result of which the Plaintiff is not seen work as a model.

5. Since today none has appeared for Defendant No.1, let the Plaintiff intimate of the next date of listing of the matter to Defendant No.1, on which date the matter would be taken up for ad-interim relief, in the event Defendant No.1 chose not to appear.

6. Stand over to 23rd October 2024.

7. Learned Counsel appearing on behalf of the Plaintiff undertakes to file Affidavit of Service.

(ARIF S. DOCTOR, J.)