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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 24-02-2026

CORAM:

THE HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE P.DHANABAL

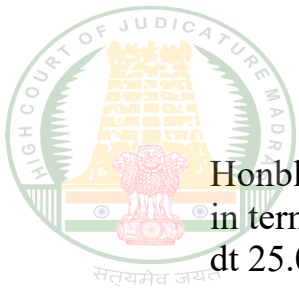
**C.S.No. 207 of 2025
and
O.A.Nos.873 and 874 of 2025,
A.No.4307 of 2025
and A.No.8 of 2026**

S. Davidson Devasirvatham I.P.S.,
S/o Late.A.K.Soundarapandian,
D.1102, TAISHA Housing Complex,
Natesan Nagar West, Virugambakkam,
Chennai-600 092.

..Plaintiff

Vs.

1. A. Shankar @ Savukku Shankar
S/o.Achimuthu,
No.12/6, Mmda, TNHB Flats,
Maduravoyal,
Poonamallee, Tiruvallur, Tamil Nadu-600095,
India
2. M/s.GOOGLE LLC,
Having Branch Office at
Unit.No.26, The Executive Centre, Level 8,
DLF Centre, Sansad Marg, Connaught Place,
New Delhi-110 001.
3. Youtube India,
Resident Grievance Officer for YouTube,
Google LLC - India Liaison Office,
Unit No.26,
The Executive Centre,
Level 8, DLF Centre,
Sansad Marg,
Connaught Place,
New Delhi-110 001.
(3rd defendant is deleted as per the order of this



Honble Court, dated 25.09.2025 pursuant to and in terms of the memo filed by the 2nd defendant dt 25.09.2025 in C.S.No.207 of 2025)

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4. X Corp

A Company incorporated under the laws of the United States Of America,
Having its Registered Office at
1355, Market street, Suite 900,
California 94103
and having its physical contact address in India
at 121, 8th floor, The Estate, Dickenson Road,
Bengaluru,-560 042
Represented by its Authorised Signatory

5. Ashok Kumar

Unknown person,
India

6. Ashok Kumar

Unknown Person,
India

..Defendant(s)

Plaint filed and numbered as Civil Suit in C.S.No.207 of 2025 under Order IV Rule 1 of the Original Side Rules of this Court read with Order VII Rule 1 of the Code of Civil Procedure, praying to pass judgment and decree :

(a) directing the 1st defendant to pay a sum of Rs.1,00,05,000/- (Rupees one crore and five thousand only) to the plaintiff as damages towards the loss of reputation, emotional distress, mental agony, professional harm and violation of the plaintiff's dignity and privacy.

(b) grant a permanent injunction restraining the first defendant, his agents, followers, assigns, representatives, or any person acting on their behalf, from publishing, broadcasting, uploading, circulating, reposting or disseminating in any manner whatsoever whether in print, digital, audio-visual, or electronic form any content containing defamatory allegations, insinuations, or imputations against the plaintiff in relation to the alleged custodial death of



one Ajith Kumar or otherwise;

(c) grant a permanent injunction restraining defendant Nos.5 and 6 (presently identified as unknown individuals described as 'Ashok Kumar' / 'John Doe') and any other anonymous persons or entities found to be circulating, amplifying, or republishing the impugned defamatory content, from further disseminating or publishing any material that defames, maligns, mocks, or otherwise harms the reputation, privacy and dignity of the plaintiff, including any republication or paraphrase of the contents of the first defendant's impugned "X" (formerly "twitter") posts, dated 01.07.2025 and 02.07.2025 or contents of the impugned video(s) in relation to the alleged custodial death of one Ajith Kumar;

(d) grant a mandatory injunction directing the defendant Nos.3 and 4 to forthwith take down, delete, and remove the schedule mentioned posts, videos, and any associated publications from all public domains including YouTube, X (formerly twitter) and any other digital or social media platforms under their control, custody, or influence;

(e) directing the 1st defendant to pay the costs of this suit.

For Plaintiff(s): Mr.Karthikeyan Anbazhagan

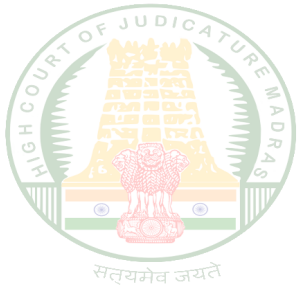
For Defendant(s): Mr.C.Vigneswaran for R-1
M/s.G.Balasubramanian
for M/s.Leela and Co. for RR-2 and 3
M/s.Bharadwaj Subramaniam for R.4

ORDER

At the request of the learned counsel for the plaintiff and defendants, list the suit for hearing on 13.03.2026. The interim order already granted by this Court, shall stand extended till then.

24.02.2026

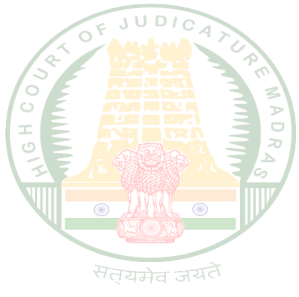
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