

PIRACY BY PROFESSOR

Ref: Sunday Times, 03.03.2019



Pharmacy Professor has been embroiled in a law suit by University of Missouri over stealing the research of a student for financial gain. It has been alleged that he was secretly intending to commercialize the same. The drug, Cequa, uses nanotechnology for efficacious treatment. The professor has been allegedly assisting drug companies in patenting and commercializing this invention, while concealing his involvement to university officials. It is impending threat for students and research if their own teachers and guide resort to such illegal means for financial gains.

claim or right in a sibling’s self - acquired property. In this case, a decree of permanent injunction was passed against the woman and she was barred from entering the house of her brother and sister-in-law where she had been living since 2005. The woman alleged that the property was purchased from the funds of Hindu joint family and thus she also had a right in the same. The court insisted on legitimate evidence for the allegations which could not be provided. There was no reference to any income tax returns filed by any of the ancestors whereby the properties were shown as HUF/joint family properties.

GENERIC DRUGS CODED COLOUR

Times of India, Monday, 04.03.2019



Government is introducing colour coding for generic drugs to ease their identification amongst the public at large. This measure is in addition to score of other measures being taken to promote Jan Ayushadi stores over branded medicine sales. It would enhance the awareness and use of generics.

INDIA IN GLOBALISED ECOMMERCE POLICIES OR NOT??

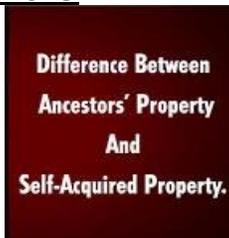
Ref: The Economic Times, Monday, 04.03.2019



India has categorically refused to join the negotiations to develop trade rules on ecommerce with the World Trade Organisation. Since, India has already been working on its national ecommerce policy. In its draft National E-commerce Policy, India has proposed regulating cross-border data flows, locating computing facilities within the country to ensure job creation and setting up a dedicated 'data authority' for issues related to sharing of community data. India wants to ensure that the data is in responsible and accountable sources.

SELF ACQUIRED PROPERTY NOT ANCESTRAL

Ref: The Times of India, Monday, 04.03.2019



Delhi High Court has recently accorded judgment and stated that a woman has no

26/11 MOVIE BAN ON NETFLIX

Ref: The Economic Times, Wednesday, 06.03.2019



Bombay High Court has been approached by Dubai firm to block Netflix from releasing the film Hotel Mumbai on the OTT entertainment provider's platform in India. It is averred that the firm had exclusive rights for Indian territory and thus Netflix, Xeitgeist and other associated parties be restrained from claiming any rights to the film in India till the time an ongoing dispute between itself and Xeitgeist is being adjudicated upon by a Singapore arbitration court.

'ILLEGAL' EXPORTS OF PATANJALI

Ref.: The Economic Times, Wednesday, 06.03.2019



Patanjali has filed cases against 13 exporters in the Delhi High Court accusing them of repackaging the products for shipments to places like Australia, Canada, and the Middle East. The products have been repackaged in such a way that they are giving a false impression that the products have FDA clearance in foreign markets. Customs department has also been made a party so that these unethical and illegal practices can be checked.

NGT FINES VOLKSWAGEN

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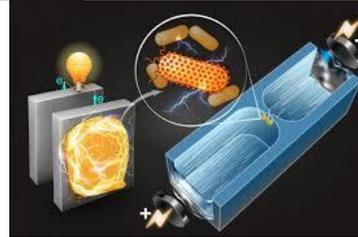


In its drive to achieve Sustainable Development Goals and move towards better world of tomorrow, the National Green Tribunal (NGT) slapped a fine of Rs. 500 crore on the German auto major Volkswagen for damaging the environment through the use of a "cheat

device" in its diesel cars in India. As a deterrent measure, the compensation amount has also been increased from Rs. 171.3 crore.

BACTERIA GENERATING ELECTRICITY

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Scientists from Washington state university have researched that tiny creatures in the form of bacteria that can "eat" pollution can generate electricity. The "electrogenic" microbes were targeted due to their ability to produce power. Some of these bacteria have the power to convert toxic pollutants into less harmful substances. This produces a stream of electricity in an efficient process that can be used in low-power applications.

GENDER DIVERSITY SUDOKO

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In its drive to achieve sustainable development goals India Inc has been working hard to improve the gender diversity equation. Conglomerates such as Mahindra & Mahindra and Vedanta and ecommerce companies like Droom, among others, are seeking women to fill leadership roles. However, practically they are far from an equilibrium.

ANTI PIRACY SERVICE FIRMS

Ref.: The Economic Times, Friday, 08.03.2019



Big-budget movies and production houses have increased their expenditures on anti-piracy measures through facilitation by cybersecurity firms. They spot piracy online through human intervention along with the help of technology. After immediate identification, the issue is raised with the publisher and copyright owners and immediate action is taken. Though, fighting piracy is not easy owing to the frequent changes by websites in their IP addresses and URLs which make it difficult to track them down. However, these efforts are the building blocks of better IP enforcement in the arena of Bollywood.

SANFE ROLL ON

Ref: The Times of India, Saturday, 09.03.2019



“SANFE Roll on”, an easy to carry oil based roll on has been novated recently by two students of IIT Delhi. Being a registered start up, Redroom Technology Private Limited they have already filed Patents and appropriate IPR to protect and optimize their products. This start up is focusing on women friendly products for India and across the globe.

DRUG REGULATOR CRACKS MANUFACTURERS OF MEDICAL DEVICES

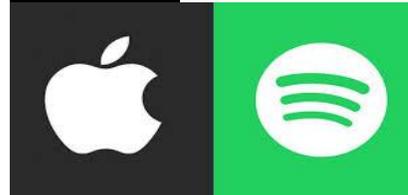
Ref: The Times of India, Thursday, 14.03.2019



Drugs regulator has raided as many as 45 medical device facilities across the country for illegally manufacturing orthopedics implants without a regulatory license or approval. These facilities being based in Delhi, Uttar Pradesh, Maharashtra and Gujarat, have been issued show cause notices asking them to explain the reason for the violation. During the surprise inspections, drug inspectors noticed and observed filthy conditions for manufacturing, lack of quality management and testing facilities as well as substandard raw material.

SPOTIFY V/S APPLE

Ref: The Economic Times, Thursday, 14.03.2019



Spotify has complained to European Union regulators about Apple for allegedly abusing its dominant position in music streaming and stifling competition. Spotify’s issue with Apple centers on a 30% tax it and other digital services have

to pay whenever they use Apple’s “in-app” payment system. The charge makes Spotify’s premium membership more expensive than Apple Music. But if it shuns Apple’s payment system, Spotify alleges that Apple blocks app upgrades or stops it from working with Apple services like Siri assistant.

IIT MOU WITH NII

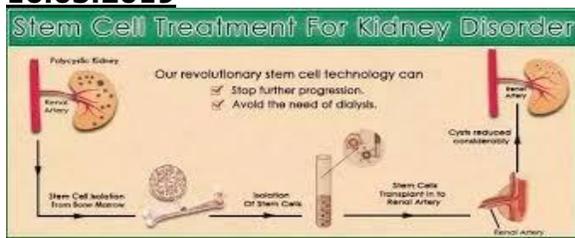
Ref: The Times of India, Friday, 15.03.2019



IIT-Delhi and National Institute of Immunology (NII) Delhi have signed Memorandum of Understanding to carry out joint research by submitting proposals to external funding agencies. They have agreed on academic cooperation in areas of mutual interest like research, PhD programmes and exchange of students.

KIDNEY TRANSPLANTS THROUGH CELL THERAPY

Ref.: The Times of India, Saturday, 16.03.2019



Researchers have found out that harnessing the unique properties of human amniotic fluid-derived stem cells could potentially help recover organ function in a pre-clinical model of kidney disease. Amniotic fluid-derived stem cells can be used as a universal cell source because they have the ability to become different cell types as well as the ability to be anti-inflammatory, making them a potential source for regeneration. Unlike pluripotent and adult stem cells, amniotic

fluid-derived stem cells are not as likely to provoke an immune system response.

LYRICISTS CREDITED

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Clarifying the miscommunication, the ace lyricist Javed Akhtar expressed shock over the mention of his name in the credits of ‘PM Narendra Modi’s trailer, producer Sandip Singh clarified that he team has used an old song penned by the veteran lyricist in the film. The 74-year-old writer’s name was mentioned in the credits alongside lyricists Prasoon Joshi, Sameer, Abhendra Kumar Upadhyay, Sardaraa, Parry G and Lavaj. Later on it was clarified that the songs ‘Ishwar Allah’ has been taken from the film ‘1947: Earth’ and the song ‘Suno Gaur Se Duniya Valon’ from the film ‘Dus’ in our film, and so due credits to respective lyricists had been given.

POLISH APPEAL TO EU

Ref: The Economic Times, Tuesday, 26.03.2019



Appealing to the European Parliament major Polish newspapers printed blank front pages on Monday to adopt controversial copyright. The main grouse world over has been that the creators do not receive sufficient compensation for disseminating their works on the Internet. Copyright legislation that pre-dates most online social media and is now nearly two decades old. Under these changes, European law for the first time would hold platforms legally responsible for enforcing copyright, requiring them to check

everything that their users post to prevent infringement.

SheUnLTD AWARDS WOMEN ENTREPRENEURS

Ref: The Times of India, Saturday, 30.03.2019



Indian society has finally broken free from the shackles of the past with the launch of The Times She UnLTD Entrepreneur Awards. The main focus of these awards will be to highlight inspirational stories of women entrepreneurs, who stepped into the unknown with their out-of-the-box business ideas and creative workspaces. It is a celebration of fierce and fearless women, who have put everything on the line to build and grow their businesses, in pursuit of their passion.

DISPARAGING ADVERTISEMENTS

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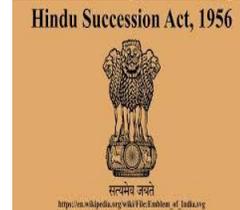


Delhi High Court while reprimanding Puro Salts from indulging into unhealthy competition has set another benchmark in the field of branding and advertisements. The court categorically prohibited and stated that advertisements leading to negative publicity of another product will not be permitted. The renowned brand Tata Chemicals Ltd. filed a suit against Puro Wellness Pvt. Ltd after being aggrieved by disparaging advertisement transpiring a message to public at large about tata salt being harmful for health

and not consumable. The court has upheld the contention that such advertisement should be barred in public interest as well as it attempts to taint the reputation of the competitor.

PREFERENTIAL RIGHT OF HEIRS UNDER SECTION-22 OF HINDU SUCCESSION ACT

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Apex Court recently held that preferential right given to an heir of a Hindu under Section 22 of the Hindu Succession Act extends and includes even the property of agricultural land. While delving upon this issue in detail, the bench also went on to clarify the intent of this section per se. The object of the legislation being to reduce interference of an outsider with respect to family properties and in order for the family property to remain within the boundaries of the family, the legislature specifically put a qualification on right to transfer various properties including agricultural holdings to an outsider and instead provide preferential right to the heirs. This shall be a precedent for various litigations across the country.



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