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**SC FINDS ADVOCATE'S CLERK GUILTY
OF SEXUAL HARASSMENT**

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The Apex Court barred entry of a man working as a clerk of an advocate, to its premises for three months after he was found guilty of sexual harassment. This decision came in the light of decision of Gender Sensitization and Internal Complaints Committee (GSICC) who found him guilty of the offence. He has been barred from entering the precincts of Supreme Court from July 1 to September 30. The most challenging aspect with respect to laws enacted to prevent sexual harassment are their inclination for implementation but this kind of a decision, will be a message enough to change the trend of the times from silent acceptance of such crimes towards complete prohibition .

**FACEBOOK REMOVES MILLIONS OF
POSTS AS PART OF FIRST COMPLIANCE
REPORT UNDER IT RULES,2021**

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In accordance with Rule 4(1)(d) of the Information Technology (Intermediary Guidelines and Digital Media Ethics Code)

Rules, 2021, Facebook Inc published its first compliance report that mentioned how this social media giant has taken action against 25 million spam content. This report provides action taken against Facebook and Instagram content created by Indian users that are violative of legal norms. Facebook has identified two metrics which includes 'Content Actioned' that specifically shows scale of enforcement activity and 'Proactive Rate' that shows percentage of all content or accounts that indicate how actively facebook detects violations. In its report, facebook has stated to have clamped down 1.8 million adult nudity and sexual activity –related content with a 99.6% proactive rate. Content violation categories on facebook include hate speech, dangerous organizations and individuals, organized hate, terrorist propaganda, bullying, harassment, regulated goods such as drugs and firearms and suicide and self - injury. Facebook indeed has taken a bold step to publicly declare their action plan and strategy with billion users who access the platform worldwide in their report which in turn has won them appreciation even from their critics. Hopefully with this trend, many more businesses will learn and amend their practices to win more trust of their users.

**WHO PLEDGES TOWARDS WOMEN'S
EMPOWERMENT AND HEALTH**

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In order to drive a change for achieving gender equality, World Health Organisation has announced multiple commitments focusing on ending gender-based violence, advancing sexual and reproductive health and rights; and supporting health workers as well as feminist movements and leadership at the Generation

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Equality Forum held in Paris in the month of July. Committing itself to increasing number of countries with clinical trial protocols focusing on health response for women and girls subjected to violence, scaling up evidence based prevention of violence against women and girls, developing and supporting uptake by health providers, policy makers and managers through WHO Academy, establishing comprehensive database to monitor global action plan, WHO has truly led to transform the era of disrespect to dignity of life to era of respecting human rights.

**CHANEL VERSUS CREPSLOCKER
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The London based resale website Crepslocker and renowned fashion brand Chanel have finally confidentially settled their issues concerning unauthorized sale of Chanel goods. Crepslocker provides a platform for reselling luxury and designer goods. The Tomlin Order passed by England's High Court staying the case proceedings provides liberty to Chanel and Kensulate Corporation Limited, the Crepslockers corporate entity to individually petition the court to re-open the case in case of any issues. This case revolves around a dispute that started 6 months ago when Chanel filed a trademark lawsuit against Kensulate for damaging its valuable brand image. Crepslocker in this case defended itself by invoking trademark exhaustion rule according to which after first sale of a trademarked product, the trademark owner loses the right to control subsequent sales of products. The only exception to this rule is that the trademark owner can oppose subsequent sales for legitimate reasons when the condition of products has been altered materially.

**SOUTH AFRICA ISSUES WORLD'S FIRST
PATENT LISTING AI AS INVENTOR**

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South Africa has become the world's first country to award a patent that names an artificial intelligence as its inventor and the AI's owner as patent owner. This patent has been secured by a University professor Ryan Abbott representing Dr Stephen Thaler who is the creator of artificial neural system Dabus (device for the autonomous bootstrapping of unified sentience). Dabus is claimed to be the sole inventor of a food container that improves grip and heat transfer. The European patent office, US Patent and Trademark office as well as UK Intellectual Property Office refused patent applications listing Dabus as the inventor on the grounds that it is not a natural person. Though South Africa's decision has received widespread backlash but this development might pave the way for resolving socio-economic issues prevailing in a country like South Africa; the scope of which might be unfathomable by countries who do not have any kind of socio economic issues. Covid -19 Pandemic has already shown us that AI can resolve problems which humans are unable to and at a speed much faster than human beings can. Maybe this policy environment that led to the grant of inventor ship to AI becomes an important lesson for future

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**AMUL SECURES MAJOR WIN FOR ITS
TRADEMARK IN CANADA**

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The Federal Court in Canada while granting relief to AMUL which is a well-known trademark in India concluded that the Defendant AMUL Canada in this case, conducted their business resulting into massive confusion in the Canadian market. Plaintiffs along with being awarded damages of \$10,000, \$5,000 and \$ 17,733 respectively have also been transferred all ownership rights administration, control over LinkedIn and other social media pages, domain names displaying plaintiff's trademark and copyright. The main dispute in this case centered around the conduct of defendants to advertise, market, offer for sale as well as selling of good's identical to Plaintiff's goods in Canada bearing trademark and tradenames AMUL and Amul Canada Ltd. Plaintiff in this case is the registered owner of Canadian trademark AMUL since 2014 as well as copyright and design having the expression "Amul the Taste of India".

DROP CASES FILED U/S 66A: CENTRE

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Ministry of Home Affairs through issuing an advisory has clearly asked States and all Union Territories to withdraw all cases registered under Section 66 A of the Information Technology Act. This advisory by the centre was issued when the Apex Court expressed concern over the fact that this section despite being struck down six years ago is continuing to be invoked. This particular section was held to be unconstitutional and violative of free speech and hence it was struck down. Though implementation of laws in letter and spirit has been a great challenge in India, but this situation demands a reflection by entire state machinery and their officials who have been entrusted with the task of looking after welfare of public. Sensitization of law enforcement agency is a practice that needs to be revamped immediately and all law enforcement officers must be made accountable in like this in order to streamline the coordinated functioning of various departments within state machinery.

**PUMA SETTLES ARTIST'S TRADEMARK
CLAIMS OVER ALLEGED 'ROAR' LOGO
RIP-OFF**

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The German athletic apparel maker Puma and Brooklyn based artist Christophe Roberts have settled all trademark infringement claims with regards to usage of "Roar" logo. Robert who is an award winning artist alleged that Puma ripped off his signature "Roar" design and used the same on clothes including jackets and t-shirts. Robert is well known for his series of sculptures that he created using recycled Nike shoeboxes. As per Robert's claims the "Roar" mark is apparently his brand image which consists of hand drawn outline of a set of jagged teeth. This mark is registered with USPTO and used by Robert on social media as well as in connection with sale of

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t-shirts, jackets, hats, posters and pins. This dispute that lasted for about 4 months is a reminder to all corporate and businessmen to be extremely cautious about using any logo or mark or tagline and have their business strategy assessed legally before venturing into the market with a high stake.

LPU PLANS TO SET UP SPACE STATION
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Lovely Professional University has announced the establishment of its Centre for Space Research under the name 'Professional Space Station for Multiple Satellites Tracking and Telemetry'. This Centre is one of its kind in a way that it will not only serve as a resource for the university but will also be a virtual lab for educational institutes all across India as well as for neighboring countries. This Centre has two modules namely Satellite Tracking and Amateur Radio. It can track multiple satellites and collect satellite images as well. This centre can perform many functions such as determining positions of vehicles, cattle, city planning, weather forecasting, disaster management support, communication with drones, monitoring power lines and landslides, communication between students and researchers and international space stations as well as receiving data from nano satellites. Along with engaging trainee students in satellite system design and system engineering, satellite payload, satellite assembly, integration and testing, satellite launch and operation, this facility will serve as a great platform for

collaboration between researchers, scientists, academia and other departments.



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