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PRECEDENT FOR AI COPYRIGHT SET BY JAPAN

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Japan has come up with a policy that copyright does not apply to AI training. The policy grants AI unrestricted access to all data, regardless of its purpose (non-profit or commercial), the nature of the act (other than reproduction), or the source (including illegal sites). The Japanese government's move towards AI copyright and regulation might be risky, but can be ethical for AI developers at the same time. If the government granted the authority to regulate AI development under the guise of "protecting" copyright owners, it would effectively halt the rapid advancements in AI models.

POSSESSORY RIGHT OF PROSPECTIVE PURCHASER PROTECTED UNDER 53A TP ACT

Ref: livelaw.in, Thursday, 08.06.2023



The Apex Court in the case titled Ghanshyam v. Yogendra Rathi decided this month held that even though an Agreement to Sell does not transfer proprietary rights in an immovable property, however, when the prospective purchaser performs his part of the contract and receives possession of the property, then he/she is said to have acquired possessory title and the same is protectable under Section 53A of the Transfer of Property Act, 1882 (TPA). The Bench while noting that Agreement to Sell is neither a document of title nor a deed of transfer of property by sale, held that it doesn't confer absolute title upon the respondent over suit property. However, the factors such as entering into an Agreement to Sell, payment of entire sale consideration and being put in possession by the transferor, shows that the Respondent has defacto possessory rights based on his part performance of the Agreement to Sell.

FREE LEGAL AID FOR INDIAN STUDENTS FACING DEPORTATION FROM CANADA

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700 Indian students have been facing deportation charges from Canada and the government has decided to provide legal assistance to each of them. Admission offer letters to educational institutions have been found fake and the whole matter came to light when these students applied for permanent residency. Instructions have been issued to all deputy commissioners and senior superintendants of police to scrutinize documents of travel agents and immigration agencies. The fact that many travel agents are running immigration agencies illegally is the root of the

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matter from where crimes like human trafficking. The incident is alarming but it has become a cause for uniting officials at different levels to attack this menace at its roots.

EU REGULATORS ORDER GOOGLE TO SELL OFF AD BUSINESS

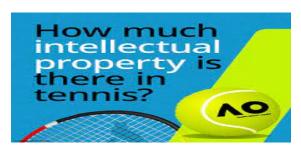
Ref: economictimes.indiatimes.com, Wednesday, 14.06.2023



European Union anti-trust regulators recently ordered the tech giant to sell off some of its advertisement business to address competition concerns. The backbone of this decision is a formal investigation that opened in June 2021 delving into violation of competition rules by Google when it favoured its own display advertising technology services at expense of rival publishers, advertisers and advertising technology services.

IOC PARTNERS WITH WIPO IN IP AGREEMENT

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The International Olympics Committee (IOC) and World Intellectual Property Rights Organization (WIPO) have signed an agreement to promote the use and management of

intellectual property in sport and to establish a legal framework for further collaboration between the pair. IOC has been using IP rights to generate revenue through sale of media rights to Olympic Games and marketing rights through IOC Partners programme. Since IOC is a non profit organization, it redistributes 90% of revenue it generates throughout the Olympic movement in order to stage the Olympic games and to promote worldwide development of sports. These IP generated funds are a critical support for all Organising Committees for the Olympic Games, National Olympic Committees, other sports International Federations and organisations.

TWITTER SUED FOR COPYRIGHT INFRINGMENT

Ref: gadgets360.com, Thursday, 15.06.2023



Twitter has recently been sued by a group of 17 music publishers for enabling thousands of copyright violations by allowing users to post music without license. More than \$250 million have been sought in damages for infringement of 1700 copyright. As we move ahead with digital revolution sweeping the countries worldwide, it's about time laws at global scale covering impact of breach with international ramifications be exclusively covered and provided for.

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UTTAR PRADESH PRODUCTS GET GI

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GI Registry in Chennai has granted tags to 7 products from Uttar Pradesh namely- Amroha Dholak, Mahoba Gaura Patthar Hatashlip, Mainpuri Tarkashi, Sambhal Horn Craft, Baghpat Home Furnishings, Barabanki Handloom Project and Kalpi Handmade Paper. Amroha Dholak is a musical instrument made of natural wood from mango, jackfruit, sheesham and teakwood trees. While Baghpat is famous for weaving on the frame loom; the Mahoba Gaura Patthar Hastashlip is a stone craft made of radiant whitecoloured stone. Mainpuri Tarkash and Sambhal Horn Craft are unique hand made products. GI Tags give a significant impetus to exports and recognition to the team of artisans, weavers and handicraftsmen and as such add great value and growth to the economy as well.

US PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE DATA LEAK EXPOSED

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USPTO has recently acknowledged 61,000 private addresses of trademark applicants being inadvertently exposed by a data leak between February 2020- March 2023. Private domicile addresses that should have been hidden from public view appeared in records retrieved through some application programming interfaces (APIs) of the Trademark Status and Document Review system (TSDR). The APIs are used in apps by both agency staff and trademark filers to access the TSDR system for checking the status of pending and registered trademarks. Though USPTO has taken all corrective measures by notifying affected parties, the possibility of misuse at this stage cannot be avoided. US Law requires trademark applicants to include their private addresses when submitting an application in order to combat fraudulent trademark filings. Some private addresses also appeared on the bulk data portal of the USPTO website.

NOKIA AND APPLE RENEW PATENT LICENSE AGREEMENT

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Long term patent license agreement between Nokia and Apple covering Nokia's fundamental inventions in 5G reflects the strength cross licensing agreements can provide established brands these days. Nokia has been investing significant amount of funds in Research and Development over many decades now and getting a significant return on its investment along with benefiting the society is truly a win win situation for all. Nokia is now counted among world's main suppliers of 5G, the latest broadband technology, along with Sweden's Ericsson, China's Huawei and South Korea's Samsung.

HETRONIC'S \$96 MILLION TRADEMARK WIN AGAINST EUROPEAN DISTRIBUTOR

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The U.S. Supreme Court threw out a \$96 million iury award for Methode Electronics Inc's (MEI.N) Hetronic International in its fight with its former European distributor for selling Hetronic-branded products with unauthorized parts. Oklahoma-based Hetronic makes remotecontrol systems for cranes and other industrial machinery. Hetronic Germany, which was later bought by Abitron Germany GmbH, distributed its products in Europe.-Hetronic sued Abitron and its affiliates in federal court in Oklahoma for making and selling Hetronic-branded products with unauthorized parts. A jury found in favor of Hetronic and awarded more than \$115 million in damages, \$96 million of which was for violating federal trademark law. That \$96 million was the subject of the appeal to the Supreme Court.



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