BY EMAIL & DoT Website

Government of India Ministry of Communications Department of Telecommunications Sanchar Bhawan, 20, Ashoka Road, New Delhi - 110 001 (Data Services Cell)

No. 813-07/LM-15/2021-DS-II

Dated:19.09.2023

To,

All Internet Service Licensees'

Subject: CS (Comm) No. 78 of 2018; Indiamart Intermesh Limited Vs Ankit & Ors, before Hon'ble Calcutta High Court.

Kindly refer to the following:

- (i) Hon'ble Calcutta High Court order dated 18.03.2019 on the subject. (Annexure-I)
- (ii) MeitY letter dated **19.09.2023** to DOT to block the for infringing website enumerated in MeitY Letter. (Annexure-II)

(Copies enclosed for ready reference)

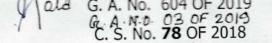
2. In view of the above, all the Internet Service licensees are hereby instructed to take immediate necessary action for blocking, above websites for compliance of the said Court order.

Director (DS-UII) Tel: 011-2303 6860 Email: dirds2-dot@nic.in

Encl: A/A

Copy to:

- (i) V.Chinnasamy, Scientist E (chinnasamy.v@meity.gov.in), Electronics Niketan, Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MeitY) New Delhi kind information and necessary action.
- (ii) Sakshi Bhayana (<u>sakshi.bhayana@govcontractor.in</u>) Legal Consultant, Ministry of Electronics and IT for kind information.
- (iii) IT wing of DoT for uploading on DoT website.



IN THE HIGH COURT AT CALCUTTA ORDINARY ORIGINAL CIVIL JURISDICTION



Indiamart Intermesh Limited, a company incorporated under provisions of the Companies Act, 1956 and an existing company within the meaning of the Companies Act, 2013, having its registered office at 1st Floor, 29 – Daryaganj, Netaji Subhash Marg, New Delhi – 110002 and also carrying on business from Rowdon Chamber, 3rd floor, 11A, Rowdon Street, Kolkata, within the aforesaid jurisdiction.Plaintiff

-Versus-

CALCUTTA

- Ankit, operating <u>http://greatindiamart.in</u> and carrying on business from and/or residing at 352, Dadabari Ext., Kota – 324009;
- Srinivas Balmoori, operating <u>http://kcimart.com</u> and carrying on business from and/or residing at 16004, Ballentine Street, Overland Park, Kansas, United States of America – 66062;
- ShanmugaKavitha Subramanian, operating <u>http://usindiamart.com</u> and carrying on business from and/or residing at 1122, Winter Storm, Dr. Henderson, Nevada, United States of America – 89052;
- 4. <u>Http://www.onlineindiamart.com</u>, operated from 14455,
 N. Hayden Road, Scottsdale Arizona, United States of America – 85260;

- 5. Amit, operating <u>http://www.kemistor</u> und having mobile number being +919998010455 and email ID being amit 99988@gmail.com, carrying on business from and/or residing at Vishwakarma Consultancy, A 8, Jivan Park, Nr. Samratnagar, Isanpur, Ahmedabad, Gujrat 382443;
 - 6. Prince Rajput, operating <u>http://www.digitalgateway.in</u>having a mobile number being +917073161736 and an email ID being <u>sales@digitalgateway.in</u> and <u>rajputagra2010@gmail.com</u>, carrying on business from and/or residing at Elaboration Corporation, 375 C,

Omicron 2, Greater Noida – 201310, Uttar Pradesh;

- 7. Jacob Michael, operating <u>http://www.marketsutra.com</u> and having a mobile number being +91990990990 and an email ID being <u>n91.jacob@gmail.com</u>, carrying on business and/or residing at Market Sutra, Gurgaon, Delhi – 110012;
- 8. IT Manage, operating <u>http://www.softwebtechnology.co.in</u> and having a mobile number being +919986660960 and an email ID being <u>it@softwebtechnology.co.in</u>, carrying on business from Sultan Palya, Bangalore, - 560032, Karnataka;
- 9. jSMTP, operating <u>http://www.jsmtp.com</u> and having a mobile number being +919310612312 and an email ID being info@jsmtp,com, carrying on business from Sec 16, Noida 201301, Uttar Pradesh;
- 10.Rajbir Vats, operating <u>http://www.smtpserver.in</u> and having a mobile number being +0911120473140 and an

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- as SMTP Server Relay or smtp Server account provider company and from B 4-5, Alipur, Delhi 110036;
- 11. Hemant, operating <u>http://www.bol7.com</u> and having an email ID being <u>hemant@bol7.com</u> and <u>hemant@smshesms.com</u>, carrying on business from and/or residing at F -7, B- 5, Rainbow Building, Sec – 10, Vashi, Navi Mumbai – 400703;
- 12. Nakul, operating <u>http://www.Mp3eg.com</u> and having an email ID being <u>kavitarangani536@gmail.com</u>, carrying on business from and/or residing at PipariyaVadi, Latipur, Ta – Dhrol, Di – Jamanagar, Rajkot – 361220;
- 13. AbhinavGulyani, operating <u>http://www.gulyani.com</u> and having an email ID being <u>aby@gulyani.com</u>, carrying on business from and/or residing at C – 217, PreetVihar, Near Clock Tower, Delhi – 110055;
- 14. <u>http://www.dataenginesoft.com/</u>, having email ID being <u>main.dataengine@gmail.com</u> and <u>privacy@1and1.com</u>, operated from 1 &1, Internet Inc., 701, Lee Road Suite 300, ATTN, Chesterbrook, PA – 19087;
- 15. http://www.localextractor.com, having email ID being <u>c62de054282e4b8fa70cfb1657708ba8.</u>

protect@whoisguard.com

and

ac2cf48f14a14191b0c841f2cd973f92.protect@whoisgua rd.com, operated from Whoisguard Inc., Panama, PA, P. O. Box – 0823-03411;

16. <u>http://jusdialextractor.com</u>, having email ID being <u>ac2cf48f14a14191b0c841f2cd973f92.protect@whoisgua</u> <u>rd.com</u>, operated from Whoisguard Inc., Panama, P.A., P. O. Box – 0823-03411; 17.<u>http://www.vtzmp3.com</u>, having an email ID being ad914e080e91460bbe932f4e2412d2f4.

protect@whoisguard.com, operated from Whoisguard Protected, Panama, P.A., P. O. Box – 0823-03411;

- 18. <u>http://www.vimeo.com</u>, having an email ID being support@vimeo.com, operated from Vimeo Inc., 555, West 18th Street, 2nd Floor, New York – 10011, United States of America;
- 19. AlexandrSlozhenikin, having an email Id being aleksandrov<u>alek@list.ru</u>, operating as <u>www.flave.online</u>, carrying on business from and/or residing at INA 57, Kostanay – 110000, Kazakhstan;
- 20. AlexandrSlozhenikin, having an email Id being aleksandrov<u>alek@list.ru</u>, operating as <u>www.amirapress.com</u>, carrying on business from and/or residing at INA 57, Kostanay – 110000, Kazakhstan;
- 21. <u>http://www.dailymotion.com</u>, a domain manager, having an email ID being <u>whois@dailymotion.com</u>, operated from 140, Boulevard Malesherbes, Paris – 75017, France;
- 22. <u>http://www.leadstoolmarketing.com</u>, operated by Domains By Proxy, LLC, having an email ID being <u>leadstoolmarketing@gmail.com</u>, carrying on business from 14455, N. Hayden Road, Scottsdale, Arizona – 85260, United States of America;
- 23.<u>http://www.pose.newfloats.com</u>, having an email ID being <u>ceramicpose@qmail.com</u>;
- 24. <u>http://www.datawali.com</u>, domaincontrol.com,
 - ns18.domaincontrol.com;

- 25. Aryan Chopra, carrying on business in the name and operating as Webposh Infotech, of style http://www.travelsindiamart.com/home, having its place of business at Main Dadri Road, Sector 44 Noida, the jurisdiction outside Pradesh 201301, Uttar aforesaid;
- 26. Ashil Shah, carrying on business and/ or operating as https://indianmart.com/about/, having his place of business at 9, Valley Road, Markfield, LE679, QS, United Kingdom, outside the jurisdiction aforesaid.

27. Ashok Kumars;

All carrying on business and/or operated from and/or residing at, as the case may be, outside the jurisdiction aforesaid.

...Defendants/Respondents

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ORDER SHEET

GA 604 of 2019 WITH CS 78 of 2018

IN THE HIGH COURT AT CALCUTTA Ordinary Original Civil Jurisdiction ORIGINAL SIDE

INDIAMART INTERMESH LIMITED Versus ANKIT & ORS

BEFORE: The Hon'ble JUSTICE ARIJIT BANERJEE Date : 18th March, 2019.

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<u>Appearance:</u> Mr. S.K. Bajoria, Adv. Mr. S. Dasgupta, Adv. Mr. Kanakendu Chatterjee, Adv.

The Court: The plaintiff has filed this suit for alleged infringement of its trademark "INDIAMART". Being prima facie satisfied by the plaintiff's case, an order dated 16th May, 2018 was passed by a learned Judge in terms of prayer_f(b) and (e) of the notice of motion which read as follows :-

"(b) An order of injunction restraining the Respondents and such other websites / entities which are discovered during the course of the proceedings to have been engaging in infringing the Petitioner's exclusive rights, its owners, partners, proprietors, officers, servants, employees, and all others in capacity of principal or agent acting for and on their behalf, or anyone claiming through, by or under it, from using a mark and/or domain name which is identical or deceptively similar to the registered INDIAMART mark of Petitioner in any manner whatsoever, thereby amounting to passing off."

"(e) An order directing the Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology, Government of India to locate the web portals/sites mentioned in the cause title above and forthwith take appropriate measures to make the said web portals/sites defunct and to take steps to take them down from the World Wide Web, the domain names of which are deceptively similar to the registered trademark of the Petitioner."

The said interim order was confirmed and GA 1020 of 2018 was disposed of by an order dated 17th September, 2018.

The present application has been taken out by the plaintiff praying

"(a) An order be passed directing the Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology, Government of India to take appropriate measures to make defunct and take down the links provided by the Petitioner to the Ministry from the World Wide Web and the domain names which are deceptively similar to the trademark of the Petitioner as could be identified by the Petitioner to the Ministry through email address – <u>legal@indiamart.com</u> from time to time."

Learned Counsel submits that this has become necessary in view of the report of the Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology, a copy whereof is Annexure-B to the present application. It is submitted that the said Ministry ~

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has informed the petitioner that without a specific order of Court, necessary measures cannot be taken by the Ministry.

Having heard learned Counsel for the parties, I pass an order in terms of prayer (a) of the application.

No useful purpose will be served by keeping the application pending. GA 604 of 2019 is, accordingly, disposed of.~

Sd/- A. Banerjee, J. (ARIJIT BANERJEE, J.)

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Indiamast Intermesh Limited

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ORDER/JUDGMENT PASSED BY

THE HON'BLE JUSTICE

ARIJIT BANERJEE

ON 18 /03/2019 FILED THIS 15 DAY OF Apr 2019

S. R. Batoria (A





eF. no.4(64)/2022-CL Government of India Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology

Electronic Niketan, 6, CGO Complex Lodhi Road, New Delhi – 110 003 Dated: 19th Sep, 2023

Office Memorandum

Subject:Order dated 18.3.2019 of the Hon'ble High Court of Calcutta in CS 78 of 2018, Indiamart Intermesh Limited Vs Ankit &Ors — Request for blocking of the website "https://indiamart.rent/ <https://indiamart.rent/>"

M/s Indiamart Intermesh Limited, the plaintiff in the court case cited in the subject noted above, *vide* email dated 15.09.2023 addressed to this Ministry, have requested that the websites "https://indiamart.rent/ <https://indiamart.rent/>" be blocked in pursuance of the order dated 18.3.2019 of the Hon'ble High Court of Calcutta in the said case. A copy each of the said email and order are enclosed herewith.

2. In the said order, the Hon'ble High Court had passed *ad interim* orders in terms of the plaintiff's prayer to restrain the defendants and such other websites/entities which are discovered during the course of the proceedings to have been engaging in infringing the petitioner's exclusive rights, or any one claiming through by or under it, from using a mark and/or domain name which is identical or deceptively similar to the registered INDIAMART mark of petitioner in any manner. Attention is invited to the following extract from the said order:

"An order be passed directing the Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology, Government of India to take appropriate measures to make defunct and take down the links provided by the petitioner to the ministry from the world wide web and the domain names which are deceptively similar to the trademark of the petitioner as could be identified by the petitioner to the Ministry through email address -legal@indiamart.com from time to time." 3. In this connection, it is pertinent that Internet Service Providers enter into a license agreement and register themselves with the Department of Telecommunications.

4. In view of the above, the undersigned is directed to request the Department of Telecommunications to take necessary action to give effect to the direction contained in the Hon'ble High Court's said order by blocking the said website for the infringement as represented by the plaintiff.

Encl.: As above

(Ritesh Kumar Sahu) Scientist D Email: ritesh.s@meity.gov.in

रीसेश कुमार साह / RITESH KUMAR SAHU वैज्ञानिक 'डी' / Scientis' D' भारत सरकार / Government of India इलेक्ट्रॉनिकी और चुपना प्रीडोगिकी मंत्रालय Ministry of Electronics & Information Technology इलेक्ट्रॉनिक्स निकेलन / Electronics Niketan 6, सीक्षे कॉन्सोल, सीधे रॉड/8, CGO Complex, Lodhi Read नई बिल्सी- 110003 / New Delhi- 110003

To:

Secretary Department of Telecommunications Sanchar Bhawan, 20, Ashoka Road New Delhi – 110 001