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In exercise of power conferred by section 78 of the Copyright Act, 1957, and in supersession of the Copyright Rules, 1958, except as respect things done or omitted to be done before such supersession, the Central Government hereby makes the following Rules, namely:—

CHAPTER I

PRELIMINARY

1. Short title, extent and commencement.—(1) These rules may be called the Copyright Rules, 2013.

(2) They shall come into force on the date² of their publication in the Official Gazette.

2. Interpretations.—In these rules, unless the context otherwise requires,—

- (a) “Act” means the Copyright Act, 1957 (14 of 1957);
- (b) “Board” means a Copyright Board as defined in sub-section (1) of section 11;
- (c) “copyright business” means the business of issuing or granting licence in respect of a right or set of rights in specific act in respect of a work or any substantial part thereof referred to in section 14 and includes the functions referred to in sub-section (3) of section 34;
- (d) “Form” means a form set out in the First Schedule;
- (e) “Schedule” means Schedule to these rules; and
- (f) “Section” means a section of the Act.

(2) Words and expression used herein but not defined and defined in the Copyright Act, 1957, shall have the meanings respectively assigned to them in that Act.

¹ G.S.R 172(E), dated 14th March, 2013, published in the Gazette of India: Extraordinary, Part II, Sec3(i).

² Came into force on 14-3-2013

CHAPTER II
THE COPYRIGHT BOARD

3. Terms and conditions of the office of the Chairman or members of the Board.— The Chairman and other members of the Board shall be appointed for such period not exceeding five years as the Central Government may in each case deems fit:

Provided that the Chairman and ¹[the other member shall hold office as such after he has attained,—

- (a) in the case of Chairman, the age of sixty-five years; and
 - (b) in the case of any other Member, the age of sixty-two years.
- (2) (i) A person shall not be qualified for appointment as Chairman unless he –
- (a) is or has been a Judge of a High Court; or
 - (b) is qualified for appointment as a Judge of a High Court;
- (ii) A person shall not be qualified for appointment as member unless he-
- (a) is or has been a member of the Indian Legal Service and has held a post in Grade I of that Service for at least three years; or
 - (b) has, for at least ten years, held a judicial office; or
 - (c) is or has been a Member of a Tribunal or Civil Service not below the rank of a Joint Secretary to Government of India with three years' experience in the field of Copyright; or
 - (d) has, for at least ten years, been an advocate of a proven specialized experience in Copyright Law;
- (iii) The Chairman and other Members shall be appointed by the Central Government; and
- (iv) No person shall be appointed as Chairman except after consultation with the Chief Justice of India.

(3) The Chairman and other members of the Board shall, on the expiry of the period of their appointment, be eligible for re-appointment.

(4) The Chairman or any other member of the Board may resign his office by giving three months' notice in writing to the Central Government:

Provided that the Chairman or any other member shall, unless he is permitted by the Central Government to relinquish his office sooner, continue to hold office until the expiry.

(5) The Chairman or any other member shall not be removed from his office except by an order made by the Central Government on the ground of proved misbehavior or incapacity after an inquiry made by a Judge of the Supreme Court in which the Chairman

¹ Subs. by G.S.R. 788(E), dated 10th August, 2016, for “other member shall hold office” (w.e.f. 12-8-2016).

or the other member had been informed of the charges against him and given a reasonable opportunity of being heard in respect of those charges.

CHAPTER III
RELINQUISHMENT OF COPYRIGHT

4. The author of a work desiring to relinquish under section 21 all or any of the rights comprised in the copyright in the work shall give notice to the Registrar of Copyrights in Form I or give public notice under sub-rule (2) of rule 5.

5. (1) The Registrar of Copyrights shall, within fourteen days from the date of the publication of the notification in the Official Gazette, post the notice on the website of the Copyright Office so as to remain the same in public domain for a period of not less than three years.

(2) The author relinquishing the rights under rule 5 by giving public notice shall include in the notice the details as given below: -

- (a) Class of the works (given in sub-section (1) of section 13);
- (b) Title of the work;
- (c) Full name, address and nationality of the author;
- (d) Language of the work;
- (e) Name, address and nationality of the publisher, if published, with year of publication and country of first publication;
- (f) If copyright in the work is registered under section 45, the Registration number;
- (g) The right or rights to be relinquished; and
- (h) The date of relinquishment of the rights.

(3) The author may forward a copy of the public notice, along with proof of his identity, to the Registrar and on receiving such notice, the Registrar shall post the same on the website of the Copyright Office.

Explanation. - For the purpose of this Chapter, the term " public notice" means-

- (i) mentioning of notice on the work or cover of the work; or
- (ii) publication in one issue of a daily newspaper in the English language having circulation in the major part of the country and also in one issue of any daily news paper in the same language of the work; or
- (iii) Posting the notice on the web site of the Copyright Office at the request of the author by giving the details as required under sub-rule (2).

CHAPTER IV

COMPULSORY LICENCES IN WORKS WITHHELD FROM PUBLIC

6. Application for licence.— (1) An application for a licence under section 31 to re-publish the work or perform the work in public or communicate the work to the public by broadcast shall be made in Form II and shall be accompanied by the fee specified in the Second Schedule.

(2) Every such application shall be made in respect of one work only.

(3) Every application to re-publish the work or perform the work in public shall be accompanied with adequate evidence to show that the owner of copyright has refused to re-publish or has allowed the re-publication of the work or has refused to allow the performance of the work in public, and the reasons for such refusal.

(4) Every application for communication of the work to the public by broadcast shall be accompanied with adequate evidence along with reasons or grounds to show that the owner of copyright has refused to allow—

(a) the communication of work by broadcast to the public; or

(b) in the case of sound recording, the reasons for the applicant to consider the terms unreasonable

7. Notice for application.— (1) A copy of application under rule 6 along with the documents relied upon shall be served on the owner of the copyright by registered post.

(2) The Board shall give an opportunity of being heard to the owner of the copyright and the applicant and also, wherever practicable, to any person claiming any interest in the copyright of the work, and shall take such evidence in respect of the application, as it deems fit.

(3) The Board may, if satisfied, direct the Registrar of Copyright to grant licence applied for to the applicant or, if there are more than one, to such of the applicants as, in the opinion of the Board, would best serve the interest of the general public.

(4) Every such licence shall be subject to the conditions provided in section 31 including the payment of compensation or royalties and shall specify—

(a) the period for which the licence has been granted;

(b) the quantum of compensation or the rate at which royalties are to be paid to the owner of the copyright in the work; and

(c) such other terms and conditions as the Board may deems fit.

(5) The grant of every such licence shall, as soon as possible, be notified in the Official Gazette and on the website of the Copyright Office and the Board and a copy of the licence shall be sent to the other parties concerned.

8. Manner of determining compensation or royalties.— The Board shall determine the quantum of compensation or royalties payable to the owner of the copyright under section 31. The Board may while determining quantum of compensation or royalty shall take into consideration—

(i) in case of re-publishing the work or performing the work in public—

- (a) the proposed retail price of a copy of the work or rate on which the work is performed in public;
- (b) the prevailing standards of royalties with regard to publication of works or performance of the work in public; and
- (c) such other matters as may be considered relevant by the Board.

(ii) in case of communication of any work to the public by broadcast—

- (a) time slot in which the broadcast takes place and different rates for different time slot including the repeat broadcast;
- (b) different rates for different classes of works;
- (c) the prevailing standards of royalties payable in this regard for such works; and
- (d) such other matters as may be considered relevant by the Board.

9. Extension of the period of licence.— The Board may, on the application of the licensee and after notice to the owner of copyright, wherever practicable, if it is satisfied that the licensee was for sufficient reasons unable to re-publish the work or perform the work in public or communication of the work to public by broadcast within the period specified in the licence, extend such period.

10. Cancellation of licence.- The Board may, after giving an opportunity of being heard to the licensee, cancel the licence on any of the following grounds, namely: -

- (a) that the licensee has failed to re-publish the work or perform the work in public or communication of the work to public by broadcast within the time specified in the licence or within the time extended on the application of the licensee;
- (b) that the licence was obtained by fraud or misrepresentation as to any essential fact; and
- (c) that the licensee has contravened any of the terms and conditions of the licence.

CHAPTER V

COMPULSORY LICENCE TO PUBLISH OR COMMUNICATE TO THE PUBLIC THE WORK OR TRANSLATION THEREOF

11. Application and grant of licence — (1) An application for a licence under Section 31A to publish or communicate to the public the work or translation thereof, in any language, any unpublished work or any work published or communicated to the public and the work is withheld from the public in India, the author is dead or unknown or cannot be traced, or the owner of the copyright in such work cannot be found, shall be made by any person in Form III and shall be accompanied by the fee specified in the Second Schedule:

Provided that in case the desired author is dead such application for publication of the work can be made only if there is failure to publish the work within the time specified by the central government as provided in sub-section (6) of section 31A.

(2) Every such application shall be made in respect of one work only and in respect of translation of a work into one language only.

(3) The application other than an application under sub-section (7) of section 31A shall be accompanied by a newspaper containing the publication issued under sub-section (2) of section 31A and published in one issue of a daily newspaper in the English language having circulation in the major part of the country and where the application is for the publication of a translation in any language, in one issue of any daily newspaper in that language.

(4) If the Board is satisfied that the licence for publication or communication to the public or translation in any language of the work, applied for may be granted to the applicant, or if there are more applicants than one, to such applicants, as, in the opinion of the Board, would best serve the interest of the general public, it shall direct the Register of Copyrights to grant the licence accordingly.

(5) Every such licence shall be subject to the conditions provided in sub-section (7) of section 31A, and shall specify —

- (a) the period within which such work shall be published, translated or communicated to the public;
- (b) the price at which the copies of such work are to be sold or charges to be collected for communicating the work to the public;
- (c) the amount of royalty to be deposited and the account in which it has to be deposited;
- (d) in case of translation of the work, the language in which the translation shall be produced and published; and
- (e) in case of communication to the public of the work the medium in which it is to be communicated to the public.

(6) The grant of every such licence shall, as soon as possible, be notified in the Official Gazette and on the website of the Copyright Office and the Board and a copy of the licence shall be sent to the other parties concerned.

12. Manner of determining royalties.— The Board shall determine the amount of royalty to be deposited by the applicant. The Board may while determining the royalty shall take into consideration the following-

- (a) the prevailing standards of royalties with regard to such works; and
- (b) such other matters as may be considered relevant by the Board.

13. Extension of the period of licence.— The Board may, on the application of the licensee, if it is satisfied that the licensee was for sufficient reasons unable to produce and publish the translation or reproduce the work or communicate the work to the public within the period specified in the licence, extend such period.

14. Cancellation of licence. —The Board may, after giving an opportunity to the licensee of being heard, cancel the licence on any of the following grounds, namely:—

- (a) that the licensee has failed to produce and publish such work or communicate to the public the work within the time specified in the licence or within the time extended on the application of the licensee;
- (b) that the licence was obtained by fraud or misrepresentation as to any essential fact;
- (c) that the licensee has contravened any of the terms and conditions of the licence.

15. Notice for termination of licence. —Notice for termination of licence under proviso to sub-section (1) or sub-section (2) of section 32B shall be served on the person holding the licence by the owner of copyright in Form IV.

16. Notice for publication of a work in case of death of original owner.- The Central Government, if decides to make a request under sub-section (6) of section 31A, shall specify a minimum period of six months and a maximum of one year for publication of work by the heirs, executors or legal representatives of the author of work.

CHAPTER VI

COMPULSORY LICENCE FOR BENEFIT OF DISABLED

17. Application for licence. — (1) An application for a licence under section 31B to publish any work in any format useful for person with disability shall be made in Form V and shall be accompanied by the fee specified in the Second Schedule.

(2) Every such application shall be made in respect of one work only.

18. Notice of application.— (1) A copy of application under rule 17 shall be served by registered post on the owner of copyright and if the owner of such copyright is not known or is not traceable, a copy of the application shall be served by registered post on the publisher whose name appears on the work.

(2) The Board shall give an opportunity of being heard to the owner of the copyright and the applicant and also, wherever practicable, to any person claiming any interest in the copyright of the work, and shall take such evidence in respect of the application, as it deem fit.

(3) If the Board is satisfied that the licence for publication of the work in the format applied for may be granted to the applicant, or if there are more applicants than one, to such of the applicants, as, in the opinion of the Board, would best serve the interest of the disabled persons, it shall direct the Registrar of Copyrights to grant licence accordingly.

(4) Every such licence shall specify:

- (a) the period within which such work shall be published;
- (b) the medium and format in which the work shall be produced and published;
- (c) the number of copies that shall be produced;
- (d) the rate at which royalties in respect of the copies of such work sold to the disabled persons shall be paid to the owner of the copyright in the work; and
- (e) the person to whom such royalties shall be payable.

(5) The grant of every such licence shall, as soon as possible, be notified in the Official Gazette and the website of the Copyright Office and the Board and a copy of the licence shall be sent to the other parties concerned.

19. Manner of determining royalties.— The Board shall determine the royalties payable to the owner of the copyright under sub-section (4) of section 31B. The Copyright Board may while determining royalty shall take into consideration the following:—

- (a) the proposed price at which a copy of such work shall be made available to disabled persons;

- (b) the prevailing standards of royalties in regard to such works taking into consideration;
- (c) the cost involved in making the accessible formats for the disabled person; and
- (d) such other matters as may be considered relevant by the Copyright Board.

20. Extension of the period of licence.— The Board may, on the application of the licensee and after notice to the owner of the copyright, wherever practicable, if it is satisfied that the licensee was for sufficient reasons unable to produce and publish the work within the period specified in the licence, extend such period.

21. Cancellation of licence. — The Board may, after giving an opportunity of being heard to the licensee, cancel the licence on any of the following grounds, namely:—

- (a) that the licensee has failed to produce and publish such work within the time specified in the licence or within the time extended on the application of the licensee;
- (b) that the licence was obtained by fraud or misrepresentation as to any essential fact;
- (c) that the licensee has contravened any of the terms and conditions of the licence;
- (d) the owner of the copyright has satisfied the requirement of the disabled person by publishing in the same format with same or lower price for which compulsory licence was granted.

22. Notice for termination of licence.— Notice for termination of licence granted under sub-section (3) of section 31B shall be served on the person holding the licence by the owner of copyright in Form IV.

CHAPTER VII

STATUTORY LICENCE FOR COVER VERSIONS

23. Notice for making Cover Version.— (1) Any person intending to make a cover version, being a sound recording in respect of any literary, dramatic or musical work under sub-section (1) of section 31C shall give a notice of such intention to the owner of the copyright in such works and to the Registrar of Copyrights at least fifteen days in advance of making of the cover version and shall pay to the owner of the copyright in the original literary, dramatic and musical works, along with the notice, the amount of royalties due in respect of a minimum of fifty thousand copies and if the number is more, for all the copies of cover version to be made, at the rate determined by the Board in this regard under rule 27 and provide copies of all covers and labels with which the cover version is to be sold:

Provided that in respect of works in a particular language or dialect for which the Board by general order has fixed a lower minimum as per proviso to sub-section (4) of section 31C, the applicant shall pay the royalty for the lower minimum fixed by the Board and if the number is more, for all the copies of the cover version:

Provided further that any person intending to make a cover version shall give a notice under this Chapter only after the royalty to be paid is determined by the Board under rule 27 and published in the Official Gazette and in the website of the Copyright Office and the Board.

Explanation: For the purpose of this rule “cover version” means a sound recording made in accordance with Section 31C and this rule.

(2) Such notice shall contain the following information, namely:—

- (a) the particulars of the work in respect of which cover version is to be made;
- (b) alterations, if any, which are proposed to be made for the adaptation of the work to the cover version and the evidence of consent of the author of work, if required, for making such alteration;
- (c) the name, address and nationality of the owner of the copyright in the work;
- (d) particulars of the sound recording made previously of the work;
- (e) the total number of copies of the cover version and the calendar year in which it is proposed to be made;
- (f) the medium in which the sound recording was last made and the cover version is proposed to be made;
- (g) the price at which the cover version is proposed to be sold; and
- (h) the details of the advance payment of royalties paid as determined by the Board in this regard under rule 27.

24. Conditions to be followed while making cover version:- (1) While making the cover version the producer shall maintain the integrity of the original literary, dramatic or musical works, except to the extent as may be technically necessary for the purpose of making the cover version.

(2) The cover version shall not be issued in any form of packaging or with any cover or label including any label or carton or inlay card or website having design or colour scheme or layout or getup similar to that of the original sound recording which is likely to mislead or confuse the public as to the identity of the original sound recording.

(3) The cover version shall not use the label of the original sound recording and shall state in bold letters on the cover that it is a cover version made under section 31C.

(4) The cover version shall prominently display the names of performers and shall not contain the name or depict in any way any performer of an earlier sound recording of the same work or any cinematograph film in which such sound recording was incorporated.

25. Notice for making additional copies of Cover version.- A person who made cover version under a licence granted under section 31C after giving notice and intends to make additional copies during the period for which he gave notice for making cover version under section 31C or desiring to continue with the making of cover version shall give fresh advance notice under rule 23 and comply with all the conditions including the payment of advance royalties determined by the Board in this regard under rule 27.

26. Maintaining of records.—(1) The person making cover version shall maintain at its principal place of business a register containing the details of total number of copies made, sold and number of copies remaining in stock, except in the case of sale by on-line downloads.

(2) The person making such cover version shall maintain separate books of accounts containing particulars about the total expenditure in making cover version under different heads of expenditure along with total income derived from the sale of number of copies of such cover version.

(3) The records, registers and books of account kept at the principal place or business of the person making cover version shall be open for inspection to the owner of rights or his duly authorized agent or representative on his behalf during the business hours with prior permission of the person making such cover version and, if needed, they may obtain copies of relevant extracts at their own cost.

27. Manner of determining royalties.—(1) The Board shall immediately after its constitution either *suo motu* or on receipt of a request from any interested person give public notice of its intention to fix royalties for making cover version under section 31C and may invite suggestions for determining the same.

(2) The notice under sub-section (1) shall be published by the Board in the Official Gazette and the same to be re-published in two daily news papers having circulation in the major part of the country and shall post the same on the website of the Copyright Office and the Board.

(3) Any owner of copyright or any person involved in the business of making cover version or any other interested person may within thirty days from the date of publication of public notice under sub-rule (1) may give suggestions with adequate evidence as to the rate of royalties to be fixed including different rates for different works, languages, media and formats.

(4) The Board shall, after giving an opportunity of being heard to the persons who made relevant suggestions under sub-rule (3), consider such suggestions, as it deems fit.

(5) The Board shall within a period of two months from the last date of receipt of the suggestions, determine the royalties payable to the owner of the copyright under sub-section (2) of section 31C. The Board while determining the royalty shall take into consideration the following factors, namely: -

- (a) the retail price of the earlier sound recording;
 - (b) the prevailing standards of royalties in regard to literary, dramatic or musical work for making such recordings;
 - (c) the nature and class of the work, language, format and medium in which it is to be sold; and
 - (d) such other matters as may be considered relevant by the Board.
- (6) The Board may revise the rates of royalties periodically, at least once in a year, keeping in view of the provisions of this rule.

28. Complaint in respect of non-payment of royalties.—(1) The owner of Copyright in the literary, dramatic or musical works included in original sound recording may make a complaint to the Board in case of non-payment of royalty in full, as determined by the Board in respect of the cover version purported to be made.

(2) If the Board is *prima facie* satisfied as to the genuineness of the complaint, it may pass an interim order directing the person making the cover version to cease from making further copies.

(3) The Board may, after holding such enquiry as it considers necessary and after giving an opportunity of being heard to the owner of rights in any literary, dramatic or musical works included in original sound recording, make such further order, as it deems fit, including an order for payment of royalty.

CHAPTER VIII

STATUTORY LICENCE FOR BROADCASTING OF LITERARY AND MUSICAL WORKS AND SOUND RECORDINGS

29. Notice for Communication to the Public of literary and musical works and sound recordings.—(1) Any broadcasting organization desirous of communicating to the public by way of broadcast or by way of performance of a published literary or musical work and sound recording under sub-section (1) of section 31D shall give a notice of its intention to the owner of the copyright and to the Registrar of Copyrights before a period of five days in advance of such communication to the public and shall pay to the owner of the copyright, in the literary or musical work or sound recording or any combination thereof, the amount of royalties due at the rate fixed by the Board in this regard:

Provided that in case of communication to the public by way of broadcast or by way of performance of a newly published literary or musical work or sound recording or any combination thereof, which has been published within the said period of five days of such communication and which do not form part of the scheduled programmes, the notice shall, be given before such communication to the public:

Provided further that in case of communication to the public by way of broadcast or by way of performance of any published literary or musical work and sound recording or any combination thereof, in unforeseen circumstances, the notice shall, be given within twenty-four hours of such communication to the public:

Provided also that any broadcasting organization shall give a notice under this Chapter only after the royalty to be paid is determined by the Board under rule 31 and published in the Official Gazette and in the website of the Copyright Office and the Board.

(2) Every such notice shall be in respect of works belonging to one owner only.

(3) Separate notices shall be given for communication to the public by way of radio broadcast or television broadcast or by way of performance of a literary or musical work and sound recording which has already been published.

(4) The notice under sub-rule (1) shall contain the following particulars, namely:—

(a) Name of the channel;

(b) Territorial coverage where communication to public by way of radio broadcast, television broadcast or performance under sub-rule (3) is to be made;

- (c) Details necessary to identify the work which is proposed to be communicated to the public by way of radio broadcast, television broadcast or performance under sub-rule (3);
- (d) Year of publication of such work, if any;
- (e) Name, address and nationality of the owner of the copyright in such works;
- (f) Names of authors and principal performers of such works;
- (g) alterations, if any, which are proposed to be made for the communication to the public by way of radio broadcast, television broadcast or performance of the works, reasons thereof, and the evidence of consent of the owners of rights, if required, for making such alteration;
- (h) Mode of the proposed communication to the public, i.e. radio, television or performance;
- (i) Name, if any, of the programme in which the works are to be included;
- (j) Details of time slots, duration and period of the programme in which the works are to be included;
- (k) Details of the payment of royalties at the rates fixed by the Board; and
- (l) Address of the place where the records and books of account are to be maintained for inspection by the owner of rights.

30. Maintaining of records.—(1) Records containing the details of the owners in respect of total number of works broadcast, the details of such works and the time slot, duration and period of the broadcast shall be maintained by the broadcasting organisation at its principal place of business and shall be open to inspection on prior notice by the owner of rights or his duly authorized agent or representative in the works during business hours and may obtain copies of relevant extracts from such records at their cost. The broadcasting organization shall maintain separate records for radio broadcasting and television broadcasting.

(2) The broadcasting organisation shall maintain separate books of accounts for communication to public by way of broadcast containing such details as may be determined by the Board at the time of fixing the rate of royalty and render to the owners of rights such reports and accounts.

31. Manner of determining royalties.—(1) The Board shall immediately after its constitution either *suo motu* or on receipt of a request from any interested person, give public notice of its intention to fix royalties for communication to the public of literary or musical works and sound recordings under section 31D and may invite suggestions for determining the same. Such notice shall be given separately for radio and television broadcasting.

(2) The notice under sub-rule (1) shall be published by the Board in the Official Gazette and shall be re-published in two daily news papers having circulation in the major part of the country and shall be posted on the website of the Copyright Office and the Board.

(3) Any owner of copyright or any broadcasting organisation or any other interested person may within thirty days from the date of publication of public notice under sub-rule (1) shall give suggestions with adequate evidence as to the rate of royalties to be fixed including different rates for different works and different formats.

(4) The Board shall after giving an opportunity being heard to the persons who made relevant suggestions under sub-rule (3), consider such suggestions, as it deems fit.

(5) The Board shall within a period of two months from the last date of receipt of suggestions, determine separate rates of royalty to be paid to the owners of literary or musical work and sound recordings for radio and television broadcasting respectively.

(6) The Board shall determine the royalties payable to the owner of the copyright under sub-section (2) of section 31D for radio and television broadcast separately.

(7) The Board while determining royalty shall take into consideration the following factors, namely: -

- (a) time slot in which the broadcast takes place and different rates for different time slot including repeat broadcast;
- (b) different rates for different class of works;
- (c) different rates for different nature of use of work;
- (d) the prevailing standards of royalties with regard to such works;
- (e) the terms and conditions included in the Grant of Permission Agreement (GOPA) between Ministry of Information and Broadcasting and the broadcaster for Operating Frequency Modulation (FM) Radio Broadcasting Service; and
- (f) such other matters as may be considered relevant by the Board.

(8) The Board while determining the payment of royalties under sub-rule (5) shall take into consideration, the following factors, namely: -

- (a) works included in the scheduled programmes;
- (b) works newly published and not included in the scheduled programme;
- (c) works communicated to the public on unexpected circumstances; and
- (d) use of works in excess of the duration, different time slot or territorial coverage than mentioned in the notice.

(9) The Board may revise the rates of royalties periodically, at least once in a year keeping in view the provisions of these rules.

CHAPTER IX
LICENCES FOR TRANSLATIONS

32. Application for licence.—(1) An application for a licence under section 32 to produce and publish a translation of a literary or dramatic work in any language shall be made in Form VI and shall be accompanied by the fee specified in Second Schedule.

(2) Every such application shall be in a respect of one work only and for translation of that work into one language only.

33. Notice of application.—(1) when any such application has been made, the Board shall, as soon as possible, give notice of the application in the Official Gazette and also, if the Board thinks fit, in one or two newspapers and shall send a copy of the notice to the owner of the Copyright, wherever practicable.

(2) Every such notice shall contain the following particulars, namely:

- (a) the date of the application;
- (b) the name, address and nationality of the applicant;
- (c) particulars of the work which is to be translated;
- (d) the date and country of the first publication of the work;
- (e) the name, address and nationality of the owner of the copyright as stated in the application;
- (f) the language in which the work is to be translated; and
- (g) the registration number of the work in the Registrar of Copyrights, if any.

34. Consideration of the application.—(1) The Board shall consider the application after the expiry of not less than one hundred and twenty days from the date of the publication of the notice in the Official Gazette.

(2) The Board shall give an opportunity to the applicant and also, wherever practicable to any person claiming any interest in the Copyright of the work, to be heard and may take such evidence in respect of the application, as it thinks fit.

(3) If more than one application for translation of the work in the same language is pending before the Board at the expiry of one hundred and twenty days after the publication in the Official Gazette of the notice of the application first received, all such applications shall be considered together.

(4) If the Board is satisfied that the licence for a translation of the work in the language applied for may be granted to the applicant, or, if there are more applicants than one to such one of the applicants as, in the opinion of the Board, would best serve the interests of the general public, it shall grant a licence accordingly.

(5) Every such licence shall be subject to the condition provided in sub-section (4) of Section 32 relating to the payment of royalties and shall specify-

- (a) the period within which the translation shall be produced and published;
- (b) the language in which the translation shall be produced and published;
- (c) the rate at which royalties in respect of the copies of the translation of the work sold to the public shall be paid to the owner of the copyright in the work; and
- (d) the person or persons to whom such royalties shall be payable.

(6) The grant of every such licence shall, as soon as possible, be notified in the Official Gazette and in the newspapers, if any, in which the notice under rule 33 was published and a copy of the licence shall be sent to the other parties concerned and posted on the official website of copyright office and the Board.

35. Manner of determining royalties.—The Board shall determine the royalties payable to the owner of the copyright under sub-section (4) of section 32. The Board while determining the royalty shall take into consideration the following, namely: -

- (a) The proposed retail price of a copy of the translation of the work;
 - (b) The prevailing standards of royalties with regard to translation of works;
- and
- (c) Such other matters as may be considered relevant by the Board.

36. Extension of the period of licence.—The Board may, on the application of the licensee and after notice to the owner of the copyright, wherever practicable, if it is satisfied that the licensee was for sufficient reasons unable to produce and publish the translation within the period specified in the licence, extend such period.

37. Cancellation of licence.—The Board may, after giving the licensee an opportunity of being heard, cancel the licence on any of the following grounds, namely: -

- (a) that the licensee has failed to produce and publish the translation within the time specified in the licence or within the time extended on the application of the licensee;
- (b) that the licence was obtained by fraud or misrepresentation as to any essential fact; and
- (c) that the licensee has contravened any of the terms and conditions of the licence.

CHAPTER X

LICENCE FOR PUBLICATION, TRANSLATION AND RE-PRODUCTION OF WORK

38. Application for license.—(1) An application for a licence under sub-section (1A) of section 32 and section 32A to publish or to translate any work in any language or to reproduce any published work shall be made in Form VII and shall be accompanied by the fee specified in the Second Schedule.

(2) Every such application shall be in respect on one work only and in respect of translation of a work into one language only.

39. Notice of application.—(1) A copy of such application shall be served by registered post on the owner of copyright.

(2) The Board shall give an opportunity of being to the applicant and also, wherever practicable, to any person claiming any interest in the copyright of the work, and may take such evidence in respect of the application, as it may deem fit.

(3) If the Board is satisfied that the licence for a translation of the work in the language or for publication or for reproduction of the work, applied for may be granted to the applicant, or if there are more applicants than one, to such of the applicants, as in the opinion of the Board, would best serve the interest of the general public, it shall grant a licence within a period of two months.

(4) Every such licence shall be subject to the conditions provided in clause (i) of sub-section (4) of section 32 and clause (i) of the sub-section (4) of section 32A of the Act relating to payment of royalties and shall specify:

- (a) the period within which such work shall be published;
- (b) the rate at which royalties in respect of the copies of such work sold to the public shall be paid to the owner of the copyright in the work;
- (c) in the case of translation of the work, the language in which the translation shall be produced and published; and
- (d) the person or persons to whom such royalties shall be payable.

(5) The grant of every such licence shall, as soon as possible, be notified in the Official Gazette and shall be posted on the website of the copyright office and the Board and a copy of the licence shall be sent to the other parties concerned.

40. Manner of determining royalties.—The Board shall determine the royalties payable to the owner of the copyright under clause (i) of sub-section (4) of section 32 and clause (i) of sub section (4) of section 32A of the Act. The Board may while determining the royalty shall take into consideration the following, namely: -

- (a) the proposed retail price of a copy of such work;
- (b) the prevailing standards of royalties with regard to such works; and

(c) such other matters as may be considered relevant by the Board.

41. Extension of the period of licence.—The Board may, on the application of the licensee and after notice to the owner of the copyright, wherever practicable, if it is satisfied that the licensee was for sufficient reasons unable to produce and publish the translation or for publish or reproduce the work within the period specified in the licence, extend such period.

42. Cancellation of licence.—The Board may, after giving the licensee an opportunity of being heard, cancel the licence on any of the following grounds, namely:

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- (a) that the licensee has failed to produce and publish such work within the time specified in the licence or within the time extended on the application of the licensee;
- (b) that the licence was obtained by fraud or misrepresentation as to any essential fact; and
- (c) that the licensee has contravened any of the terms and conditions of the licence.

43. Notice for termination of licence.—Notice for termination of licence under proviso to sub-section (1) or sub-section (2) of section 32-B shall be served on the person holding the licence by the owner of copyright in Form IV of the First Schedule annexed to these rules.

CHAPTER XI
COPYRIGHT SOCIETIES

44. Conditions for submission of application for registration of copyright society.—(1) Any association of persons, having an independent legal personality, comprising seven or more authors and other owners of rights (hereinafter referred to as “the applicant”) formed for the purpose of carrying on the business of issuing or granting licences in respect of a right or set of rights in specific categories of works may file with the Registrar of Copyrights an application in Form VIII for submission to the Central Government for grant of permission to carry on such business and for its registration as a copyright society. The Central Government may grant registration of the society for a period of five years under sub-section (3A) of section 33.

(2) An application under sub-rule (1) of rule 44 shall be signed by the Chairman, all other members of the Governing Council (by whatever name called) with such number of persons elected from among the members of the society consisting of equal number of authors and other owners of right, if any, for the purpose of the administration of the society and the Chief Executive Officer of the applicant (who need not be a member).

(3) The business of issuing or granting licence in respect of literary, dramatic, musical and artistic works incorporated in a cinematograph film or sound recording shall be carried out only through a copyright society duly registered under section 33 of the Act.

45. Membership of Copyright Society.—Membership of every copyright society shall be open to all the authors and other owners of a right or set of rights in specific categories of works for which it is registered.

46. Conditions for grant of permission to carry on copyright business.— (1) An applicant referred to in rule 44 for registration of it as a copyright society shall not be eligible to be considered for such registration unless—

- (i) the instrument by which the applicant is established or incorporated creates a commitment on it to deal with only the business of issuing or granting licences in respect of a right or set of rights in specific categories of works and other activities ancillary thereto; and
- (ii) the applicant is willing to comply with the provisions of the Act and the rules made thereunder.

(2) The applicant shall not carry out the business by way of sub-licensing or transferring the rights of collection and distribution of royalties in respect of a right or set of rights in specific categories of works to any other person or copyright society:

Provided that applicant may enter into agreement with any foreign society or organisation administering rights corresponding to the right or set of rights administered by the applicant to entrust to such foreign society or organisation the administration in any foreign country of the right or set of rights administered by the applicant, or for administering in India the rights administered in a foreign country by such foreign society or organisation under sub-section (2) of section 34 of the Act.

Explanation: For the purpose of this chapter “instrument” means the memorandum and articles of association.

47. Application and conditions for re-registration or renewal of existing copyright societies.—(1) A Copyright society registered section 33 and desirous of carrying on the business as a copyright society shall submit an application for re-registration in Form-IX to the Registrar of Copyrights within a period two months from the date of Coming into force of these rules.

(2) A Copyright society registered under this chapter may apply for renewal of its registration within a period of three months before the expiry of its registration. The application for such renewal shall be made to the Registrar of Copyrights in Form-IX for submission to Central Government for grant of permission to continue with its business and the Central Government may renew the registration of the society for a further period of five years after considering the report of the Registrar of Copyrights on the working of the copyright society.

(3) In case of renewal of registration the applicant shall submit a copy of resolution passed by the General Body declaring that all the royalties collected till the previous accounting year have been distributed to all accessible members and no complaint in this regard is pending.

(4) The applicant in case of re-registration or renewal of registration shall submit necessary documents indicating re-election to the Governing Council including its Chairman.

48. Documents accompanying applications.—Every application made under rules 44 and 47 shall be accompanied by—

- (a) a true copy of the instrument by which the applicant is established or incorporated;
- (b) the consent in writing of the individuals named in the application to act as members of the Governing Council of the applicant;
- (c) a declaration containing the objectives of the applicant, the bodies through which it will function and arrangements for accounting and auditing;

- (d) an undertaking to the effect that the instrument by which the applicant is established or incorporated provides for conforming the same to the provisions of the Act and these rules;
- (e) a copy of the Register of authors and owners containing the list of the authors and other owners of rights, their names and addresses;
- (f) a statement as to the changes, if any, made in the instrument since the last General Body in case of application made under rule 47; and
- (g) copies of various schemes as mentioned in this chapter as approved by the General Body in case of application made under rule 47.

49. Conditions for registration of a copyright society.—(1) When an application for registration is submitted to the Central Government through the Registrar of Copyrights, that Government may, within a period of sixty days from the date of its receipt by the Registrar of Copyrights either register the applicant as a copyright society or, if—

- (i) the applicant has no professional competence to carry on its business or has no sufficient funds to manage its affairs; or
- (ii) there exists another copyright society registered under the Act for administering the same right or set of rights in the specific categories of works and it is well functioning; or
- (iii) the Central Government has reason to believe that the members of the applicant are not *bona fide* copyright authors or other owners or they have not voluntarily signed the instrument setting up the applicant or the application for registration; or
- (iv) the application is found to be incomplete in any respect, reject the application;
- (v) Provided that no such application shall be rejected without giving an opportunity of being heard to the applicants.

(2) Upon the registration of a copyright society by the Central Government, the Registrar of Copyrights shall issue a certificate of registration in Form-X under his hand and seal.

(3) On and from the date of its registration as specified in the certificate of registration, the copyright society shall be entitled to commence and carry on the permitted copyright business in the name by which it has been so registered and the applicant shall-

- (a) maintain its own website giving all information pertaining to its activities; and
- (b) have proper infrastructure such as office building and necessary officials for management such as Chief Executive Officer, licensing officers, legal officers

and accountants and other required staff appointed at the time of applying for registration.

(4) The Copyright Society shall carry on business of issuing or granting licences only in respect of the right or the set of rights in the specific categories of works for which it is registered and shall not issue or grant licence in respect of any other right or set of rights in those or other categories of works for which it is not registered.

50. Order of inquiry, suspension of registration and appointment of administrator.—(1) If the Central Government, on a complaint of the Registrar of Copyrights or a member of the copyright society, has reason to believe that the copyright society is being managed in a manner detrimental to the interests of its members concerned or for non-compliance of requirements under sections 33A, sub-section (3) of section 35 and section 36 of the Act or any change carried out in the instrument by which the copyright society is established or incorporated and registered by the Central Government, without prior notice to it shall, provide a copy of the complaint to the society and require the society to submit a written statement within fifteen working days.

(2) If, after considering the written statement furnished by the society, the Central Government is *prima facie* satisfied: -

- (a) it shall order an inquiry under sub-section (4) of section 33, into the allegations and appoint an inquiry officer not below the rank of a Deputy Secretary to the Government of India for holding an inquiry. During inquiry, if the Central Government is of the opinion that in the interests of the members concerned, it is necessary so to do, it may, by order, suspend the registration of the society for a period not exceeding one year, and shall appoint an administrator to discharge the functions of the copyright society; or
- (b) it may, in the interests of the members concerned, suspend the registration of the society for a period not exceeding one year and appoint an administrator to discharge the functions of the copyright society and further order an inquiry as per clause (a).

(3) The person appointed as administrator shall be a person with sufficient experience in administration or accounting of copyright matters.

51. Procedure for holding Inquiry.—(1) The inquiry officer appointed under Rule 50 shall conduct the inquiry having regard to the principles of natural justice.

(2) The inquiry officer may, if he considers necessary, engage a chartered accountant or an audit officer in the office of the Comptroller and Auditor-General of India or any legal, financial, copyright consultant to assist him in the inquiry.

(3) The copyright society concerned shall render all assistance and shall make available all such documents as may be called for by the inquiry officer to enable him to complete the inquiry within a period of three months or such further time as may be allowed by the Central Government.

52. Powers and Functions of the Administrator.—(1) On appointment of the administrator under rule 50 read with sub-section (5) of section 33 of the Act, all powers of the copyright society shall vest in him and all other representative bodies or committees of the copyright society other than the general body shall stand dissolved.

(2) The administrator shall arrange for the reconstitution of the dissolved bodies before the expiry of the period of suspension failing which, the bodies so superseded shall stand revived at the end of the period of suspension for their remaining term, excluding the period of suspension.

53. Cancellation of registration of a copyright society.—The registration of a copyright society as such may be cancelled by the Central Government after giving the copyright society a reasonable opportunity of being heard, if —

- (a) any of the particulars furnished in the application for registration is, at any time, found to be untrue or incorrect and misleading in any manner; or
- (b) after holding an inquiry by an officer duly appointed by the Central Government, the Central Government is satisfied that-
 - (i) the copyright society failed to cooperate with the inquiry officer; or
 - (ii) the complaints against the copyright society are found to be true; or
 - (iii) the copyright society is being managed in a manner detrimental to the interests of the members concerned; or
 - (iv) the copyright society persistently fails to manage its affairs properly; or
 - (v) the copyright society failed to distribute the royalties as per the scheme; or
 - (vi) the copyright society persistently fails to properly maintain its accounts and get them audited; or
 - (vii) the copyright society utilises its funds for purposes other than those mentioned in the instrument; or
- (c) the society has not complied with-
 - (i) section 33A of the Act regarding the publication of Tariff scheme by the copyright society; or

- (ii) sub-section 3 of section 35 of the Act regarding equal representation of authors and other owners of rights in the Governing Council of copyright society as specified in rule 44; or
 - (iii) section 36 of the Act regarding submission of returns and reports to the Registrar of Copyrights by copyright society; or
 - (iv) the procedure for obtaining approval of authors and other owners of right for collection and distribution of royalty; or
- (d) the society is issuing or granting licence in respect of the right or set of rights in the specific category of works for which it is not registered.

54. Conditions subject to which a copyright society may accept authorisation and an author or other owner of rights may withdraw such authorisation.- (1) A copyright society may accept from an author or other owner of rights or his duly authorized agent, exclusive authorisation to administer the right or the set of rights in the specific categories of works for which the copyright society is registered, if such author or other owner or such agent enters into an agreement, in writing, with the copyright society specifying the rights to be administered, the duration for which such rights are authorised to be administered, the quantum of royalty agreed to and the frequency at which such royalty shall be paid by the copyright society in accordance with its Schemes of Tariff and Distribution:

Provided that in case of literary or musical works included, in a cinematograph film or sound recording the share of royalty other than for communication of the work along with the cinematograph film in a cinema hall shall be on equal basis between the author of the work and the owner of film or sound recording, as the case may be.

(2) The copyright society shall not impose any condition for distribution of royalties collected to author or other owner of rights.

(3) The author or other owner of rights shall without prejudice to the rights under the agreement and subject to the condition of a prior notice of sixty days, be free to withdraw such authorization in case the copyright society fails to fulfil its commitments as laid down in the agreement.

(4) The right to receive royalty, for any literary or musical work included in the cinematograph film, shared on equal basis with the assignee of copyright for the utilisation of such work in any form other than for the communication to the public of the work along with the cinematograph film in a cinema hall shall not be assigned to any other copyright society other than to the society for which it is intended to be registered.

(5) The right to receive royalty, for any literary or musical work included in the sound recording which does not form part of any cinematograph film, shared on equal basis for

any utilization of such works with the assignee of copyright shall not be assigned to any other copyright society other than to the society for which it is intended to be registered.

55. Conditions subject to which a copyright society may issue licences, collect royalties and distribute such royalties.— (1) A copyright society may issue licences and collect royalties in accordance with Tariff Scheme in relation to the right or the set of rights in the specific categories of works for which the copyright society is registered as it has been authorised to administer in writing by the members for the period for which it has been so authorised.

(2) The royalty so collected shall be distributed in accordance with the Distribution Scheme subject to a deduction not exceeding fifteen per cent. of the annual total collection on account of administrative expenses incurred by the copyright society and a further deduction not exceeding five per cent. for the Welfare Scheme under rule 71:

Provided that a copyright society may during the initial period of two years of its registration deduct up to twenty percent of the annual total collection on account of administrative expenses incurred by the society.

56. Tariff Scheme.— (1) As soon as may be, but in no case later than three months from the date on which a copyright society has become entitled to commence its copyright business, it shall frame a scheme of tariff to be called the "Tariff Scheme" under section 33A of the Act setting out the nature and quantum of royalties which it proposes to collect in respect of the right or the set of rights in the specific categories of works administered by it.

(2) Every copyright society shall display its Tariff Scheme by posting it on its website.

(3) The Tariff Scheme shall indicate the separate rates for-

- (a) different categories of users;
- (b) different media of exploitation, such as telephone, broadcast or internet;
- (c) different types of exploitation whether by an individual or by groups or whether single or multiple use or for advertising;
- (d) different durations of use and territory; and
- (e) any other differentiation factor indicated by the society, as it may deem fit.

(4) While fixing the tariff the copyright society shall follow the guidelines issued by any Court or the Board, if any, and may consult the user groups.

(5) The copyright society shall collect the royalties from a licensee in advance where the Tariff Scheme provides for lump sum payment of royalties. In cases where the Tariff Scheme provides for payments in installments, each installment shall be collected in advance. However, in cases where the Tariff Scheme provides for the payment of royalties based on actual use, the copyright society may collect an advance at the time

of issue of licence and settle the final payment based on actual use at the end of the period for which the licence is issued or granted.

Provided that the copyright society shall not receive any payment in the nature of minimum guarantee from a licensee whose royalty payments are based on actual use which are to be settled with the society at the end of the licence period except where, any exceptional circumstances are specifically included in the Tariff Scheme and the individual case has been approved by the Governing Council.

(6) The copyright society may revise the Tariff Scheme periodically but not earlier than a period of twelve months by following the rules. It shall publish the date of coming into of the revised Tariff Scheme at least before two months in advance and the same shall be posted on its website.

57. Appeal to the Board on Tariff Scheme.—(1) Any person aggrieved by the Tariff Scheme may appeal to the Board under section 33A along with the fee specified in the Second Schedule.

(2) The Board, if satisfied with the ground of the appeal, shall-

- (a) serve a copy the appeal to the copyright society; and
- (b) give an opportunity to the appellant and also, to the copyright society, to be heard and may take such evidence in respect of the appeal, as it may deem fit.

(3) The appellant shall pay to the copyright society any interim tariff fixed by the Board that has fallen due before filing an appeal to the Board.

(4) The Board may after hearing the parties fix an interim tariff and direct the appellant to make the payment accordingly pending disposal of the appeal.

(5) The Board shall determine the Tariff Scheme of the copyright society under section 33A, after taking into consideration:

- (a) the prevailing standards of royalties in regard to such commercial exploitation of works; and
- (b) such other matters as may be considered relevant by the Board.

(6) The Board shall dispose of the appeal within a period of three months from the date of its filing.

58. Distribution Scheme.—(1) A copyright society shall frame a scheme to be called the "distribution Scheme" setting out the procedure for distribution of royalties specified in the Tariff Scheme among the members whose names are entered in the Register of Authors and Owners maintained under clause (i) of rule 59 for the approval of the General Body of the society, as soon as may be, but in no case later than three months

from the date on which a copyright society has become entitled to commence its copyright business.

(2) The distribution shall, reasonably, be in proportion to the royalty income of the copyright society derived from the grant of licences for right or the set of rights in the specific categories of works for which it is administering each author and other owners of right.

(3) There shall be no discrimination between authors and other owners of rights in the distribution of royalties by the copyright society.

(4) While distributing the royalties the copyright society shall inform all members about the basis on which such amount of royalties are being distributed.

(5) The Distribution Scheme shall aim to ensure that all royalty distributions are fair, accurate, cost effective and without any unknown or hidden cross-subsidies.

(6) The society shall fix parameters in a transparent manner for determining the share of distribution of its members and reveal the details of the same in a manner that is easily understandable to its members.

(7) The distribution of royalties shall be based on actual use or reliable statistical data that fairly represent the commercial exploitation of the licensed rights.

(8) The Distribution Scheme shall ensure that the royalties to all members are distributed at least once in a quarter.

(9) The copyright society shall not make any payment in the nature of minimum guarantee to its members against the share of royalties due to its members.

(10) The royalties collected based on the Tariff Scheme for the licensing of the rights in the literary or musical works included in a cinematograph film or sound recording shall be shared on an equal basis with the authors of literary or musical works and the owners of rights in cinematograph film or sound recording under sub-section (1) of section 18.

59. Management of Copyright Society.—(1) Every copyright society shall have-

- (a) a General Body consisting of all the authors and other owners of a right or set of rights in the specific categories of works for which the copyright society has been authorized to issue or grant licences;
- (b) a Governing Council with a Chairman and a minimum of six other members; and
- (c) a Chief Executive Officer (who may or may not be a member of the society).

(2) The General Body shall be the decision making body of the society. All the powers necessary for the purpose of effective management of the society shall be with the General Body and the Governing Council may act as per the directions of the Governing Body.

(3) The Chairman shall be elected by two-third of the majority of all the members present and voting in the General Body meeting of the Copyright Society.

(4) The Chairman of the Governing Council shall chair the General Body.

(5) The Chairman shall have the right to vote in the General Body and the Governing Council.

(6) The members other than the Chairman of the Governing Council shall represent equally from authors and other owners, elected from the General Body by the majority of members present and voting in the General Body meeting of the Copyright Society.

(7) The Chairman and other members of the Governing Council shall be elected for a period of two years and the members shall not be eligible for re-election for a period of two years from the date of completion of their term as members.

(8) The General Body may create sub-committees for preparing Tariff Scheme, Distribution Scheme, Welfare Scheme and such other matters relating thereto, under the supervision of the Governing Council.

(9) The General Body shall approve the instrument of the society including any subsequent changes made to it.

60. Approval of Schemes.— (1) The copyright society shall call a General Body meeting to approve any Scheme, as soon as it has been prepared by the Governing Council in these rules.

(2) A notice of not less than twenty-one days for the meeting shall be given to every member and a copy of the proposed Scheme together with a note explaining the guiding principles followed in the making of the said Scheme shall be annexed to the notice and the same shall be posted on the website of the society.

(3) The notice under sub-rule (2) shall specify that any member who objects to the Scheme shall be entitled to withdraw the authorisation given to the copyright society to administer any right in his work from the date of commencement of the said Scheme.

(4) The copyright society shall keep a record of the members who have given their approval and those who have objected thereto.

(5) Approval of the Schemes shall be by a majority of members present in person and voting.

(6) The copyright society shall not amend any approved Scheme except with the prior approval of the General Body.

61. Meetings of the Society.— (1) Every copyright society shall hold a General Body meeting of all its members as its annual General Body meeting before the 31st day of March every year.

(2) A special meeting of the General Body called extra ordinary General Body meeting of all its members may also be held, if considered necessary by twothirds majority of the Governing Council.

(3) The meetings of General Body and Governing Council shall be held in the town or city in which its registered office is situated or such other convenient place as decided by the Chairman of the society.

(4) The notice for General Body meeting shall be issued before twenty-one days of the meeting and it shall specify the agenda, time, date and address of the venue of the meeting and the same shall be posted on the website of the society.

(5) Every member of the society shall have equal voting rights in General Body meetings.

(6) There shall be no discrimination between members who are authors and other owners of right.

(7) Quorum for meetings of the General Body shall be one third of the total members and in the case of lack of quorum the meeting may be adjourned for thirty minutes and then members present shall constitute quorum.

(8) Quorum for the meetings of Governing Council shall be one third of its total members other than the Chairman with equal number of authors and other owners.

(9) The Registrar of Copyrights shall be invited as an observer to all General Body meetings. The Registrar or his authorized representative may attend the said meeting.

62. Documents to be presented in the annual General Body meeting.— Every copyright society shall place before its annual General Body meeting the following documents, namely:—

- (i) an up-to-date list of the authors and other owners of right or the set of rights in the specific categories of works for which the copyright society has been authorised to issue or grant licences, their names and addresses as recorded in the Register of Authors and Owners maintained by the copyright society, as provided in sub-rule (i) of rule 64;
- (ii) audited accounts of the society for the previous year;
- (iii) the Tariff Scheme and the Distribution Scheme or any other scheme including the decision of the Copyright Board on the said Schemes, if any;
- (iv) annual report as approved by the Governing Council, giving a full and detailed account of all its activities during the previous years;
- (v) Budget estimates along with programme of action as approved by the Governing Council for the succeeding year;
- (vi) the agreements, if any entered with foreign copyright societies under sub-section (2) section 34 of the Act;
- (vii) any changes made in the instrument of registration of the society; and
- (viii) any other document relating to the society that require approval of the General Body.

63. Accounts and audit.— (1) Every copyright society shall maintain proper accounts of the royalties collected in a financial year, payments made out of such collections to the members and other recurring and nonrecurring expenditure incurred for meeting administrative and related matters, including the cost of litigations.

(2) The books of account shall be kept in the registered office of the society and shall be open for inspection of the members from time to time as per the conditions laid down by the General Body.

(3) Every copyright society shall get its accounts audited by a chartered accountant annually.

64. Records to be maintained by copyright societies.— Every copyright society shall maintain the following registers at its registered or administrative office-

- (i) A register of authors and other owners to be called the "Register of Authors and Other Owners" in respect of the right or the set of rights in the specific categories of works for which the copyright society has been authorised to issue or grant licences. The register shall contain the names of the authors and other owners, their addresses, the nature of rights authorised to be administered by the copyright society, year of publication of the work, the date on which the copyright society becomes entitled to issue or grant licences and the duration of such entitlement, the territory for which the authorisation has been given and the rights that have been so authorised;
- (ii) A register to be called the "Register of Agreements" containing a copy of every agreement entered into by the copyright society with the authors and other owners for the purpose;
- (iii) A register to be called the "Register of Royalties" containing particulars of royalties and mentioning the names of persons or organizations and copy of the licence agreements from whom the royalties have been realised, and the amount so realised including the date of realization;
- (iv) A register to be called the "Disbursement Register" containing details of disbursement of royalties made to each author or other owner of the right or set of rights in the specific categories of works, category-wise, mentioning the name of the author or other owner, nature of his right and the date and amount of disbursement of royalty made to him.

65. Returns to be filed by the copyright societies with the Registrar of Copyrights.— Every copyright society shall file a return called the annual return with the Registrar of Copyrights within one month from the date of conclusion of each annual General Body meeting setting out the following details, namely:—

- (i) the date of the annual General Body meeting held immediately preceding the filing of the annual return, the number of members who attended the meeting, agenda and the minutes of such meeting;
- (ii) the up-to-date list of the members, their names and addresses as recorded in the Register of Authors and Owners maintained by the copyright society, as provided in rule 64;
- (iii) audited accounts of the copyright society;
- (iv) the Tariff Scheme, Distribution Scheme and other Schemes, if any;
- (v) annual report approved by the General Body giving full and detailed account of all its activities during the year; and
- (vi) the list of the members to whom royalties are not distributed and the reasons for the same; and
- (vii) the list of the members to whom royalties have been distributed together with the amounts so distributed.

66. Code of Conduct for copyright societies.—Every copyright society shall conform to the following Code of Conduct as follows: -

- (1) Every Society shall make available on its website-
 - (a) certificate of registration as a Copyright Society;
 - (b) basic documents of governance such as memorandum of association, articles of association, constitution or charter;
 - (c) list of all members of General Body;
 - (d) names and address of Chairman, other members of the Governing Council and other officers of the society;
 - (e) right or the set of rights in the specific categories of works for which the copyright society has been authorised to issue or grant licences;
 - (f) all schemes of the society;
 - (g) annual report and audited accounts as approved by the General Body;
 - (h) licence agreement formats;
 - (i) details of all existing licences other than those clauses in the licence having commercial sensitivity;
 - (j) foreign societies with whom there are agreements to collect royalties and the details of the agreement other than those clauses having commercial sensitivity;
 - (k) details of the complaint/Grievances Cell; and
 - (l) the code of conduct.
- (2) The members shall be-

- (a) treated fairly, honestly, impartially, courteously, and ensure that its dealings with them are more transparent;
- (b) provided with a copy of its basic documents of governance such as memorandum of association, articles of association, constitution, charter, Tariff Scheme and Distribution Scheme at the time of joining and or at any time on request;
- (c) provided with a copy of the document enumerating the powers and responsibilities of each member including Chairman and members of the Governing Council; and
- (d) provided with-
 - (i) the basis for calculating royalties to be paid to the members;
 - (ii) the manner and frequency of payments to members; and
 - (iii) the general nature of deduction out of total income before distribution.
- (3) Every society shall distribute payments to its members in accordance with its Distribution Scheme.
- (4) Every society shall treat licensees fairly, honestly, impartially and courteously and ensure that its dealings with licensees are more transparent.
- (5) Every society shall observe the following while fixing the Tariff Scheme, namely: -
 - (a) licence fee to be fair and reasonable;
 - (b) take note of the value of the rights of the works;
 - (c) the purpose and manner in which the rights are to be exploited;
 - (d) any relevant decisions of the Board;
 - (e) in case the Tariff Scheme is for the use by an industry the important role played by that industry in promoting, dissemination of works and their contribution to the national economy and as far as possible in consultation with licensees.
- (6) Every society shall provide for the facility for on-line application, payment of royalties and for issue of licence on-line, as far as it is practicable.
- (7) Every society shall ensure-
 - (a) that the Governing Council members are accountable to the General Body;
 - (b) maintenance of proper and complete financial records, including the collection and distribution of royalties and expenses; and
 - (c) annual auditing of its accounts by a qualified Chartered Accountant.
- (8) Every society shall comply with procedure for dealing with complaints and grievances as follows: -
 - (a) constitute a complaint or grievances cell and shall post the same in its website;

- (b) information regarding how to make the complaint and reasonable assistance in the formulation and lodging of a complaint;
- (c) acknowledgement of the receipt of the complaint immediately upon receipt of the complaint;
- (d) verify the nature of the complaint and the details of the complainant;
- (e) examine the complaint and, if necessary give an opportunity of hearing to the complainant;
- (f) dispose of the complaint, with a period of two months and provide a written response to the complainant;
- (g) make available adequate resources for handling and resolving complaints; and
- (h) periodical review of complaints handling and resolving procedures and mechanism.

67. Welfare fund of copyright society.—Every Copyright society may frame a scheme for the welfare of its members as determined by its General Body and keep not more than five per cent. of its total royalties collected for implementing the scheme effectively and the amount that could not be distributed on account of non-accessibility of the members concerned.

CHAPTER XII
PERFORMERS' SOCIETY

68. Registration and management of Performers' society.—(1) For the purpose of carrying on the business of issuing or granting licences in respect of performers' rights under sub-section (1) and proviso to sub-section (2) of section 38A and section 39A, there shall be a separate performers' society for each class of performers such as actors, singers, musicians, dancers, acrobats, jugglers, conjurers, snake charmers, persons delivering lectures or any other group of persons who can make a performance;

Provided that the Central Government may allow registration of a society for performers' of different classes of performers' in cases where the performances are inter-connected or closely related to each other.

(2) Such society shall be called as Performers' Society of that specific category.

(3) In accordance with the provisions of section 39A, any Performers' Society as mentioned in sub-rule (1), having an independent legal personality comprising seven or more performers (hereinafter referred to as "the applicant") may file with the Registrar of Copyrights an application in Form-XI, for submission to the Central Government for grant of permission to carry on such business and for its registration as a Performers' Society.

(4) Chapter XI of these rules relating to Copyright Societies except sub-rule (1) of rule 44 shall with necessary adaptations and modifications shall apply to a Performer's Society also.

Explanation 1.— The royalty collected from enjoyment of the performer's right in clause (i) to (v) of clause (a) of sub-section (1) and proviso to sub-section (2) of section 38A, shall be shared equally between the performer and other owner of copyright.

Explanation 2.— Commercial use as mentioned in proviso to sub-section (2) of section 38A, means the exploitation of performers right by way of reproduction, issue of copies or distribution, communication to public including broadcasting and commercial rental of the cinematograph film.

Explanation 3.— For the purpose of this chapter performance includes recording of visual or acoustic presentation of a performer in the sound and visual records in the studio or otherwise.

CHAPTER XIII
REGISTRATION OF COPYRIGHT

69. Form of Register of Copyrights.—(1) The Register of Copyrights shall be kept in physical and electronic form in six parts, namely :—

- Part I - Literary works other than computer programmes, tables and compilations including computer data bases and dramatic works.
- Part II - Musical works
- Part III - Artistic works
- Part IV - Cinematograph films
- Part V - Sound recordings
- Part VI - Computer programmes, tables and compilations including computer data bases.

(2) The Register of Copyrights shall contain the particulars specified in Form-XIII.

70. Application for Registration of Copyright.— (1) Every application for registration of copyright shall be made in Form-XIV and every application for registration of changes in the particulars of copyright entered in the Register of Copyright shall be made in Form-XV.

(2) Every such application shall be in respect of one work only, and shall be accompanied by the fee specified in the Second Schedule in this behalf.

(3) Every application should be signed only by the applicant, who may be an author or owner of right. If the application is submitted by the owner of copyright, it shall be enclosed with an original copy of no objection certificate issued by the author in his favour.

(4) Every application for registration of an unpublished work shall be accompanied by two copies of the work.

(5) Every application for registration of a computer programme shall be accompanied by the source and object code.

(6) Every application for registration in respect of an artistic work which is used or is capable of being used ¹[in relation to any goods or services], such application shall include a statement to that effect and shall be accompanied by a certificate from the Registrar of Trade Marks referred to in section 3 of the Trade Marks Act, 1999, to the effect that no trade mark identical with or deceptively similar to such artistic work has been registered under that Act in the name of, or that no application has been made under that Act for such registration by, any person other than the applicant.

(7) Every application for registration in respect of an artistic work which is capable of being registered as a design under the Designs Act, 2000, such application shall be

¹ Subs. by G.S.R. 788(E), dated 10th August, 2016, for “in relation to any goods” (w.e.f. 12-8-2016).

accompanied by a statement in the form of an affidavit containing the following, namely: -

- (a) it has not been registered under the Designs Act, 2000; and
- (b) it has not been applied to an article through industrial process and reproduced more than fifty times.

(8) Every such application can be filed in the Copyright Office by person or by post or by online filing facility as provided on the website of the Copyright Office.

(9) The person applying for registration shall give notice of his application to every person who claims or has any interest in the subject-matter of the copyright or disputes the rights of the applicant to it.

(10) If no objection to such registration is received by the Registrar of Copyrights within thirty days of the receipt of the application, the Registrar of Copyrights shall, if satisfied about the correctness of the particulars given in the application, enter such particulars in the Register of Copyrights.

(11) If the Registrar of Copyrights receives any objections for such registration within the time specified in ¹[sub-rule (10)], or, if he or she is not satisfied about the correctness of the particulars given in the application, he or she may, after holding such inquiry as he or she deems fit, enter such particulars of the work in the Register of Copyrights as he or she considers necessary.

(12) The Registrar of Copyrights shall give an opportunity of hearing before rejecting the any application filed for registration of any work.

(13) The process of registration is deemed to be completed only when a copy of the entries made in the Register of Copyrights is signed and issued by Registrar of Copyrights or by Deputy Registrar of Copyrights, to whom such authority is delegated.

(14) The Registrar of Copyrights shall, as soon as may be, send, wherever practicable, a copy of the entries made in the Register of Copyrights to the parties concerned.

71. Correction and rectification of entries in the Register of Copyrights. — (1) The Registrar of Copyrights may, either *suo motu* or on application of any interested person, amend, or alter the Register of Copyrights for the entries specified in section 49, after giving, wherever practicable, to the person affected by such amendment or alteration, an opportunity to show cause against such amendment or alteration, and communicate to such person the amendment or alteration so made.

(2) The Registrar of Copyrights shall rectify the entries made in the Register of Copyrights after an order is being passed by the Board on an application made by the Registrar of Copyrights in this behalf under section 50.

¹ Subs. by G.S.R. 788(E), dated 10th August, 2016, for “sub-rule (7)” (w.e.f. 12-8-2016).

72. Indexes. —(1) There shall be kept at the Copyright Office the following indexes both in physical and electronic form for each part of the Register of Copyrights, namely: —

- (i) a general Author Index;
- (ii) a general Title Index;
- (iii) an Author Index of works in each language; and
- (iv) a Title Index of works in each language.

(2) Every Index shall be arranged alphabetically in the form of cards.

73. Inspection of the Register of Copyrights and Indexes.—The Register of Copyrights and Indexes thereof shall at all reasonable time be open to inspection by any person in such manner and subject to such conditions as the Registrar of Copyrights may specify. The online search or inspection of the Register of Copyrights and Indexes can be utilized by making online payment of fee as specified in the Second Schedule.

74. Copies and extracts of the Register of Copyrights and Indexes. — (1) Any person shall be entitled to take copies of, or make extracts from, the Register of Copyrights or Indexes on payment of the fee as specified in the Second Schedule subject to such supervision as the Registrar of Copyrights may arrange.

(2) The Registrar of Copyrights shall, on an application made in that behalf and on payment of the fee specified in the Second Schedule, furnish a certified copy of entries made in the Register of Copyrights and Indexes thereof.

CHAPTER XIV

STORAGE OF TRANSIENT OR INCIDENTAL COPIES OF WORKS

75. (1) Any owner of copyright may give a complaint in writing under clause (c) of sub-section (1) of section 52, to a person who has facilitated transient or incidental storage of work for providing electronic links, access or integration to restrain from such storage of work.

(2) The written complaint shall contain the following particulars, namely: -

- (a) the description of the work with adequate information to identify the work;
- (b) details establishing that the complainant is the owner or exclusive licensee of copyright in the work;
- (c) details establishing that the copy of the work which is the subject matter of transient or incidental storage is an infringing copy of the matter of transient or incidental storage is an infringing copy of the work owned by the complainant and that the allegedly infringing act is not covered under section 52 or any other act that is permitted by the Act;
- (d) details of the location where transient or incidental storage of the work is taking place;
- (e) details of the person, if known, who is responsible for uploading the work infringing the copyright of the complainant; and
- (f) Undertaking that the complainant shall file an infringement suit in the competent court against the person responsible for uploading the infringing copy and produce the orders of the competent court having jurisdiction, within a period of twenty-one days from the receipt of the notice.

(3) On receipt of the written complaint, the person responsible for the storage of the copy, if satisfied from the details provided in the complaint that the copy of the work is an infringed copy, within thirty-six hours, take measures to refrain from facilitating such access for a period of twenty-one days from the date of receipt of the complaint or till he receives an order from the competent court restraining him from facilitating access whichever is earlier.

(4) The person responsible for storage shall display a notice giving reasons for restraining such access to persons requesting for access to the alleged infringing copy.

(5) The person responsible for storage may restore the storage of the work in case the complainant failed to produce the orders of the competent court having jurisdiction, restraining him from facilitating access.

(6) In case the complainant fails to produce the orders of the competent court having jurisdiction within the stipulated period, the person responsible for storage shall not be

obliged to respond to any further notice sent by the same complainant on the same work in the same location.

CHAPTER XV

MAKING OR ADAPTING THE WORK BY ORGANIZATIONS WORKING FOR THE BENEFIT OF PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES

76. Maintenance of records. — The organization working for the benefit of the persons with disabilities and intending to adapt, reproduce, issue of copies or communication to public of any work in any accessible format shall maintain at its principal place of business a register containing the following details, namely: -

- (a) the name of the work, author or owner or publisher along with year of publication;
- (b) the details of the accessible format in which the work is produced;
- (c) the nature of activity such as adaptation, reproduction, issue of copies or communication to the public;
- (d) total number of copies made, list of persons with disabilities to whom copies have been distributed; and
- (e) price, if any, charged on the copies.

77. Notice to be included in copies made in accessible formats.- The organization working for the benefit of the persons with disabilities shall insert appropriate notices in the copies of works in accessible formats created by the organisations that-

- (a) the accessible format is created pursuant to the exception under clause (zb) of sub-section(1) of section 52;
- (b) the accessible format is intended solely for the use of persons with disabilities who cannot enjoy the normal format of the work; and
- (c) any distribution of the accessible format to any person who can enjoy the normal format of the work will lead to stopping the supply of further works in accessible formats and such other legal consequences as are applicable.

Explanation.- For the purposes of this Chapter, the term "accessible format" shall include Braille, Daisy, large print, talking books, digital formats and all other formats that can be used by persons with disabilities.

78. Contracts with third parties engaged by organizations working for persons with disabilities. — An organisation working for persons with disabilities may engage any third party as its agent to undertake any of the activities permitted under clause (zb) of sub-section (1) of section 52, on its behalf and shall enter into appropriate contracts with such third party to ensure that such third party undertakes such activities only on behalf of the organisation and not otherwise.

CHAPTER XVI

IMPORTATION OF INFRINGING COPIES

79. Importation of infringing copies.— (1) Every notice, under sub-section (1) of section 53, shall be made to the Commissioner of Customs, or to any other officer authorized in this behalf, by the Central Board of Excise and Customs in accordance in Form-XVI and shall be accompanied by fee as specified in the Second Schedule.

(2) The person who gives notice under in sub-rule (1) shall deposit, within the time specified by the Commissioner, such amount as the Commissioner may deem fit as security having regard to the likely expenses on demurrage, cost of storage and compensation to the importer in case it is found that the works are not infringing copies.

(3) The Commissioner or the officer duly authorized in this behalf, on arrival of such works, if satisfied, shall suspend the clearance of such works for a period of fourteen days and shall inform the arrival and detention of work to the person who has given the notice.

(4) At the request of the importer or his duly authorized agent, Commissioner or the officer duly authorized in this behalf, shall inform the name and address of the person who gave the notice.

(5) The Commissioner or the officer duly authorized in this behalf shall release the consignment on expiry of a period of fourteen days, in case the person who gave notice failed to produce an order from the competent court having jurisdiction restraining him from releasing the suspended consignment of works.

CHAPTER XVII

TECHNOLOGICAL PROTECTION MEASURES

80. Maintaining of records.-

(1) Any person who is permitted to circumvent technological protection measures under clause (a) of subsection (2) of section 65A of the Act may approach any person, who can assist him to circumvent the technological protection measures.

(2) Any such person facilitating circumvention of technological protection measures for another person shall maintain a record containing details of the person who requested for assistance, containing the following details, namely: -

- (a) the name, complete postal address, photograph, e-mail address and telephone number or other contact details of the person;
- (b) the professional details of the person, if any, including the address of the place where he is working at present;
- (c) the reasons and purpose for circumvention of the technological protection measures; and
- (d) an undertaking in writing from the person requesting assistance that he is entitled for circumvention of the technological protection measures and will be solely responsible for copyright infringement, if any, of the protected work.

(3) The record may be maintained on-line or in any other format for a minimum period of three years, in the place from where he is facilitating circumvention.

(4) Any such person maintaining records under sub-rule (2) shall disclose the details in the record only upon an Order of the court or to a police officer, not below the rank of a Sub-Inspector of Police, investigating a complaint under section 65A.

CHAPTER XVIII
MISCELLANEOUS

81. Mode of making applications, etc. — Every application, notice, statement or any other document to be made, given, filed or sent under the Act or under these Rules may, unless otherwise directed by the authority concerned, be sent by hand or registered post or by online filing procedure made available on the website of the Copyright Office or Copyright Board.

82. Mode of Communication by the Copyright Board, etc.—Even written intimation from the Copyright Board, the Copyright Office or the Registrar of Copyrights shall be deemed to have been duly communicated to any person if such intimation is sent to the known address of such person by registered post.

83. Fees. — (1) The fees payable under the Act in respect of any matter shall be as specified in the Second Schedule.

(2) The fees may be paid to the Registrar of Copyrights, New Delhi, by a postal order or a bank draft issued by a Scheduled Bank as defined in the Reserve bank of India Act, 1934, or by deposit into a Government Treasury or a branch of the Reserve Bank of India or the State Bank of India under the head of account: Major Head—0070; 60 Other Services; Minor Head—113; Copyright Registration Fees or by payment gateway provided in online-filing facility of the Copyright Office website copyright.gov.in.

(3) Postal orders and bank drafts shall be crossed and drawn in New Delhi.

(4) Payment by bank drafts shall not be valid unless the amount of bank commission is included therein.

(5) Where payment is made by deposit in a Government Treasury or a branch of the Reserve Bank of India or the State Bank of India, the challan evidencing the payment shall be sent to the authority concerned by pre-paid registered post.

(6) No fee is required to be paid for taking extracts from Register of Copyrights or indexes for official purposes by the Central Government or the State Government.

84. Right of audience. — In any proceedings before the Board or the Registrar of Copyrights any party may appear and be heard either in person or by a pleader or other person duly authorised by such party.

85. Costs. —The cost incidental to the proceedings before the Board or the Registrar of Copyrights shall be in the discretion of the Board or the Registrar of Copyrights, as the case may be.

86. Repeal.— The Copyright Rules, 1958, are hereby repealed without prejudice to anything done under such rules before the coming into force of these rules.

FORM-I
Notice of Relinquishment of Copyright
[See rule 4]

To,

The Registrar of Copyrights,
Copyright Office,
Boudhik Sampada Bhawan, Plot No. 32,
Sector 14, Dwarka, New Delhi-110075
Phone: 011-25301202

Sir,

In accordance with section 21 of the Copyright Act, 1957 (14 of 1957), I hereby give notice that, with effect from the date of this notice, I do relinquish, to the extent specified in the enclosed affidavit, my rights in the work described in the said affidavit.

Yours faithfully,

Place.....

Date.....

(Signature)

Form of Affidavit referred to above

I,.....of
(full name in block letters)

.....do hereby or
(address)

Solemnly affirmation state that—

- (1) I am the author of the work described in the statement below;
- (2) I am the owner of the copyright in the said work to the extent specified in the said statement; and
- (3) I do hereby relinquish my rights in the said work to the extent specified in the said statement:

STATEMENT

Description of the work:

- (a) Class of the work (Literary, Dramatic, Musical, Artistic, Cinematograph Film, Sound Recording).
- (b) Title of the work, if any;
- (c) Full name, address and nationality of the author; (d) Language of the work, if any;
- (e) Name, address and nationality of the publisher, if any; (f) Year of first publication, if any;
- (g) Country of first publication, if any;
- (h) If the copyright in the work is registered under section 45, the Registration number, if known.

2. Rights owned by the deponent on the date of the affidavit.

(If the rights are owned jointly with others, state names, addresses and nationalities of the joint owners.)

3. Extent to which rights are relinquished.

4. Remarks, if any.

Place.....

Date.....

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(Signature)

Solemnly affirmed before me by

.....
.....

Who is known to me personally/

(Name of deponent in block letters) who is identified to me

By...../
(name of identifier in block letters) who is known to me personally.

Place.....

Date.....

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(Signature and seal of the Magistrate)

FORM II
APPLICATION FOR COMPULSORY LICENCES
FOR WORKS WITHHELD FROM PUBLIC

(See rule 6)

To,

The Registrar of Copyrights/Secretary,
Intellectual Property Appellate Board,
Copyright Office,
New Delhi.

Sir,

1. In accordance with section 31 of the Copyright Act, 1957 (14 of 1957), I hereby apply to the Copyright Board for a licence to reproduce /republish/issue copies/perform in public/communicate to the public by broadcast.....work, in accordance with the particulars given in the enclosed Statement.
2. I hereby undertake to abide strictly by the terms and conditions of the compulsory licence, if granted to me.
3. I hereby verify that the particulars given in this form are true to the best of my knowledge, belief and information and nothing has been concealed therefrom.

Place.....

Date.....

Yours faithfully,

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(Signature)

STATEMENT

1. Full name of the applicant:
(In Block Letters)
2. Full address and nationality of the applicant:
3. Telephone/ Fax/E-mail:
4. Description of the work:
 - (a) Class of the work (Literary ,Dramatic, Musical, Artistic, Cinematograph Film, Sound Recording);
 - (b) Title of the work;
 - (c) Full name, address and nationality of the author/ owner;
 - (d) Language of the work;
 - (e) Name, address and nationality of the publisher;
 - (f) Year of first and last publication;
 - (g) Country of first and last publication;
 - (h) Price of a copy of the work;
 - (i) If the copyright in the work is registered under section 45, the registration Number.
5. If the licence is applied for reproduction, republishing/issue of copies, state:
 - (a) Number of copies of work proposed to be reproduced/republished and issued under the licence applied for;
 - (b) Estimated cost of the work to be published ;
 - (c) Proposed retail price per copy of the work;
 - (d) Rate of royalty , which the applicant considers reasonable, to be paid to the copyright owner;

(e) Means of the applicant for payment of the royalty.

6. If the licence is applied for performance in public, state:
 - (a) Number of performances of work proposed to be made under the licence applied for;
 - (b) Estimated cost of each performance;
 - (c) Proposed rate at which the work is to be performed;
 - (d) Rate of royalty, which the applicant considers reasonable, to be paid to the copyright owner;
 - (e) Means of the applicant for payment of the royalty.
7. If the licence is applied for communication to public by broadcast, state:
 - (a) Duration of broadcast and the number of times it is proposed to be broadcast;
 - (b) The name of the channels and territorial coverage of the broadcast;
 - (c) Prevailing standards of royalties in regard to such works;
 - (d) Rate of royalty, which the applicant considers reasonable, to be paid to the copyright owner;
 - (e) Means of the applicant for payment of the royalty.
8. Whether the prescribed fee has been paid and, if so , particulars of payment (give Postal Order/Bank Draft/Treasury Challan number).
9. Full name, address and nationality of the person competent or issue a licence.
10. Evidence to show the following:
 - (a) That the applicant has requested and had been refused authorization by the said person to publish/performance in public/ communication to public by broadcast the work;
 - (b) The work has been withheld from the public by reason of not publishing the work or performing it in public;
 - (c) That in case of communication to the public by broadcast the terms and conditions proposed by the owner of work are unreasonable.
11. Remarks, if any.
12. List of enclosures.

Place:

Date

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(Signature)

FORM III
**APPLICATION FOR COMPULSORY LICENCE FOR PUBLICATION/
COMMUNICATION TO THE PUBLIC/TRANSLATION**

(See rule 11)

To,

The Registrar of Copyrights/Secretary,
Intellectual Property Appellate Board,
Copyright Office,
New Delhi.

Sir,

1. In accordance with section 31 of the Copyright Act, 1957 (14 of 1957), I hereby apply to the Copyright Board for a licence to publish/communicate to public/translate thework, in accordance with the particulars given in the enclosed Statement.
2. I hereby undertake to abide strictly by the terms and conditions of the compulsory licence, if granted to me.
3. I hereby verify that the particulars given in this form are true to the best of my knowledge, belief and information and nothing has been concealed therefrom.

Place.....

Date.....

Yours faithfully,

.....
(Signature)

STATEMENT

1. Full name of the applicant:
(In Block Letters)
2. Full address and nationality of the applicant:
3. Telephone/ Fax/E-mail:
4. Description of the work:
 - (a) Class of the work (Literary ,Dramatic, Musical, Artistic, Cinematograph Film, Sound Recording);
 - (b) Title of the work;
 - (c) Full name, address and nationality of the author and if the author is deceased, the date of his decease;
 - (d) Language of the work;
 - (e) Name, address and nationality of the publisher;
 - (f) Year of first and last publication;
 - (g) Country of first and last publication;
 - (h) Price of a copy of the work;
 - (i) If the copyright in the work is registered under section 45, the Registration Number, if known.
5. If the licence is applied for translation, state:
 - (a) Language into which the work is proposed to be translated;
 - (b) Full name, qualifications and address of the translator;
 - (c) Means of the applicant to produce and publish the translation;
6. Indicate the purpose for which the licence is required.
7. Number of copies of work proposed to be published under the licence applied for,
8. Estimated cost of the work to be published.

9. Proposed retails price per copy of the work.
10. Rate of royalty, which the applicant considers reasonable, to be paid to the copyright owner.
11. Means of the applicant for payment of the royalty.
12. If the licence is applied for communication to public:
 - (a) Number of public performances of work proposed to be performed under the licence applied for;
 - (b) Estimated cost of public performance;
 - (c) Duration of communication to the public and the number of times it is proposed;
 - (d) The name of the channel and territorial coverage of the communication to the public;
 - (e) Prevailing standards of royalties in regard to such works.
13. Whether the prescribed fee has been paid and, if so, particulars of payment (give Postal Order/Bank Draft/Treasury Challan number).
14. (a) Full name, address and nationality of the person competent to issue a licence;
 - (b) Whether the applicant after due diligence on his part was unable to find the owner and the copy of the public notice as per rule 11(3);
 - (c) If the applicant was unable to find the owner, whether he had sent a copy of the request by registered post to the publisher whose name appears on the work. If so, the date on which the copy was sent with evidence.
15. In case of application for translation furnish following additional information: -
 - (a) Whether a translation in the same language has been published before;
 - (b) Whether the earlier translation is out of print;
 - (c) Full name, address and nationality of the earlier translator and if the said translator is deceased, the date of his decease;
 - (d) Title of the earlier translation;
 - (e) Full name, address and nationality of the publisher of the earlier translation;
 - (f) Year of publication;
 - (g) Price per copy of the earlier translation;
 - (h) If the earlier translation is registered under section 45, the Registration Number if known;
 - (i) Rate and amount of royalty paid to the copyright owner in respect of the earlier translation, if known.
16. (a) whether translation has been made into any language other than the language stated in 5 above, if known.
 - (b) Full name, address and nationality of the translator and if the said translator is deceased, the date of his decease.
 - (c) Title of the translation.
 - (d) Language of the translation.
 - (e) Full name, address and nationality of the publisher of the translation.
 - (f) Year of publication.
 - (g) Price per copy of the translation.
 - (h) If the translation is registered under section 45, the Registration Number if known.
 - (i) Rate and amount of royalty paid to the copyright owner, if known.
17. Remarks, if any.
18. List of enclosures.

Place.....

Date.....

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Signature

FORM IV
NOTICE FOR TERMINATION OF LICENCE
(See rules 15, 22 And 43)

To,

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Sir,

In accordance with first proviso to sub-section (1) or the first proviso to sub-section (2) of section 32 B of the Copyright Act, 1957 (14 of 1957), I hereby give notice, that copies of translation/reproduction of the work given below (mention language) have been published by /me/under my authorization.

Yours faithfully,

.....
(Signature)

Place.....

Date.....

STATEMENT

1. Title of the work.
2. Name and address of the owner of copyright.
3. Year and country of first publication and name, address and nationality of the publisher.
4. Name and address of the author who has translated the work.
5. Name and address of the publisher and year in which the translation has been published in India.
6. Name and address of the publisher and year in which the reproduction of the work has been published in India.
7. Retail price of the published work.

FORM V
APPLICATION FOR A COMPULSORY LICENCE FOR DISABLED PERSONS

(See rule 17)

To

The Registrar of Copyrights/Secretary,
Intellectual Property Appellate Board,
Copyright Office,
New Delhi.

Sir,

1. In accordance with section 31 B of the Copyright Act, 1957 (14 of 1957), I hereby apply to the Copyright Board for a licence to publish a published work for the benefit of disabled persons in accordance with the particulars given in the enclosed Statement.
2. I hereby undertake to abide strictly by the terms and conditions of the licence, if granted to me.
3. I hereby verify that the particulars given in this form are true to the best of my knowledge, belief and information and nothing has been concealed therefrom.

Place.....

Date.....

Yours faithfully,

.....
(Signature)

STATEMENT

1. Full name of the applicant:
(In Block Letters)
2. Full address and nationality of the applicant:
3. Telephone/ Fax/E-mail:
4. Description of the work:
 - (a) Class of the work (Literary ,Dramatic, Musical, Artistic, Cinematograph Film, Sound Recording);
 - (b) Title of the work;
 - (c) Full name, address and nationality of the author and if the author is deceased, the date of his decease;
 - (d) Language of the work;
 - (e) Name, address and nationality of the publisher;
 - (f) Year of first and last publication;
 - (g) Country of first and last publication;
 - (h) Price of a copy of the work;
 - (i) If the copyright in the work is registered under section 45, the Registration Number, if known.
5. Indicate the purpose for which the licence is required.
6. Specify the format in which the work is to be converted.
7. Specify the nature of disability for which the format is required.
8. Number of copies of work proposed to be published under the licence applied for
9. Estimated cost of the work to be published
10. Proposed retail price per copy of the work.
11. Rate of royalty, which the applicant considers reasonable, to be paid to the copyright owner.
www.LinkingLaws.com
12. Means of the applicant for payment of the royalty.

13. Whether the prescribed fee has been paid and, if so, particulars of payment (give postal order/Bank Draft/Treasury Challan number).
14. (a) Full name, address and nationality of the person competent to issue a licence;
(b) Whether the applicant has requested and has been denied authorization by the said person to publish the work for the benefit of disabled person.
(c) If the applicant was unable to find the owner, whether he had sent a copy of the request by registered post to the publisher whose name appears on the work. If so, the date on which the copy was sent.
(d) Whether the author of the works has published the work for the benefit of disabled person and if yes the price of the copies.
15. Remarks, if any.
16. List of enclosures.

Place.....

Date.....

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Signature

FORM VI
APPLICATION FOR LICENCE FOR TRANSLATION
(See rule 32)

To

The Registrar of Copyrights/Secretary,
Intellectual Property Appellate Board,
Copyright Office,
New Delhi.

Sir,

In accordance with section 32 of the Copyright Act, 1957 (14 of 1957), I hereby apply to the Copyright Board for a licence to produce and publish a translation of the work, in accordance with the particulars given in the enclosed Statement.

2. I hereby undertake to abide strictly by the terms and conditions of the licence, if granted to me.

Place.....

Date.....

Yours faithfully,

.....
(Signature)

STATEMENT

1. Full name of the applicant:
(In Block Letters)
2. Full address and nationality of the applicant:
3. Telephone/ Fax/E-mail:
4. Description of the work:
 - (a) Class of the work (Literary ,Dramatic, Musical, Artistic, Cinematograph Film, Sound Recording);
 - (b) Title of the work;
 - (c) Full name, address and nationality of the author and if the author is deceased, the date of his decease;
 - (d) Language of the work;
 - (e) Name, address and nationality of the publisher;
 - (f) Year of first and last publication;
 - (g) Country of first and last publication;
 - (h) Price of a copy of the work;
 - (i) If the copyright in the work is registered under section 45, the Registration Number, if known.
5. Language into which the work is proposed to be translated.
6. Full name, qualifications and address of the translator.
7. Qualification of the applicant to produce and publish the translation.
8. Number of copies of the translation proposed to be published.
9. Estimated cost of production and publication of the translation.
10. Proposed retail price per copy of the translation.

11. Rate of royalty, which the applicant considers reasonable, to be paid to the copyright owner.
12. Means of the applicant for payment of the royalty.
13. Whether the prescribed fee has been paid and, if so, particulars of payment (give Postal Order/Bank Draft/Treasury Challan number.)
14. (a) Full name, address and nationality of the person competent to issue a licence for translation;
(b) Whether the applicant was able to find the said person.
(c) whether the applicant had requested and has been denied authorization by the said person to produce and publish the translation.
(d) IF the applicant was unable to find the owner, whether he had sent a copy of the request for authorization to the publisher. If so, the date on which the copy was sent and evidence thereof.
15. Whether the author of the work has withdrawn from circulation copies of the work.
16. (a) whether a translation in the same language has been published before:
(b) whether the earlier translation is out-of-print.
(c) Full name, address and nationality of the earlier translator and, if the said translator is deceased, the date to his decease.
(d) Title of the earlier translation.
(e) Full name, address and nationality of the publisher of the earlier translation.
(f) Year of publication.
(g) Price per copy of the earlier translation.
(h) If the earlier translation is registered under section 45, the Registration number.
(i) Rate and amount of royalty paid to the copyright owner in respect of the earlier translation, if known.
17. (a) Whether translation has been made into any language other than the language stated in 5 above.
(b) Full name, address and nationality of the translator and, if the said translator is deceased, the date of his decease.
(c) Title of the translation.
(d) Language of the translation.
(e) Full name, address and nationality of the publisher of the translation.
(f) Year of publication.
(g) Price per copy of the translation.
(h) IF the translation is registered under section 45, the Registration number if known.
(j) Rate and amount of royalty paid to the copyright owner, if known.
18. Remarks, if any.
19. List of enclosures.

Place.....

Date.....

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Signature

FORM VII
LICENCE FOR PUBLICATION, TRANSLATION AND
REPRODUCTION OF WORK
(See rule 38)

To

The Registrar of Copyrights/Secretary,
Intellectual Property Appellate Board,
Copyright Office,
New Delhi.

Sir,

1. In accordance with section 32 (1A)/32A of the Copyright Act, 1957 (14 of 1957), I hereby apply to the Copyright Board for a licence to publish an unpublished work, or reproduce a published work or to translate a work in accordance with the particulars given in the enclosed Statement.
2. I hereby undertake to abide strictly by the terms and conditions of the licence, if granted to me.
3. I hereby verify that the particulars given in this form are true to the best of my knowledge, belief and information and nothing has been concealed therefrom.

Place.....

Date.....

Yours faithfully,

.....
(Signature)

STATEMENT

1. Full name of the applicant:
(In Block Letters)
2. Full address and nationality of the applicant:
3. Telephone/ Fax/E-mail:
4. Description of the work:
 - (a) Class of the work (Literary ,Dramatic, Musical, Artistic, Cinematograph Film, Sound Recording);
 - (b) Title of the work;
 - (c) Full name, address and nationality of the author and if the author is deceased, the date of his decease;
 - (d) Language of the work;
 - (e) Name, address and nationality of the publisher;
 - (f) Year of first and last publication;
 - (g) Country of first and last publication;
 - (h) Price of a copy of the work;
 - (i) If the copyright in the work is registered under section 45, the Registration Number, if known.
5. If the licence is applied for translation, state:
 - (a) Language into which the work is proposed to be translated;
 - (b) Full name, qualifications and address of the translator;
 - (c) Qualifications of the applicant to produce and publish the translation.
6. Indicate the purpose for which the licence is required.

7. Number of copies of work proposed to be published under the licence applied for.
8. Estimated cost of the work to be published.
9. Proposed retail price per copy of the work.
10. Rate of royalty, which the applicant considers reasonable, to be paid to the copyright owner.
11. Means of the applicant for payment of the royalty.
12. Whether the prescribed fee has been paid and, if so, particulars of payment (give postal order/Bank Draft/Treasury Challan number).
13. (a) Full name, address and nationality of the person competent to issue a licence;
(b) Whether the applicant after due diligence on his part was unable to find the owner;
(c) Whether the applicant has requested and had been denied authorization by the said person to produce and publish the translation or reproduce the work of publish the unpublished work;
(d) IF the applicant was unable to find the owner, whether he had sent a copy of the request by registered post to the publisher whose name appears on the work. If so, the date on which the copy was sent.
14. Whether the author of the works has withdrawn from circulation copies of the work.
15. In case of application for translation furnish following additional information: -
 - (a) Whether a translation in the same language has been published before;
 - (b) Whether the earlier translation is out of print;
 - (c) Full name, address and nationality of the earlier translator and if the said translator is deceased, the date of his decease;
 - (d) Title of the earlier translation;
 - (e) Full name, address and nationality of the publisher of the earlier translation;
 - (f) Year of publication;
 - (g) Price per copy of the earlier translation;
 - (h) If the earlier translation is registered under section 45, the Registration Number if known;
 - (i) Rate and amount of royalty paid to the copyright owner in respect of the earlier translation, if known.
16. (a) Whether translation has been made into any language other than the language stated in 5 above.
 - (b) Full name, address and nationality of the translator and if the said translator is deceased, the date of his decease.
 - (c) Title of the translation.
 - (d) Language of the translation.
 - (e) Full name, address and nationality of the publisher of the translation.
 - (f) Year of publication.
 - (g) Price per copy of the translation.
 - (h) If the translation is registered under section 45, the Registration Number, if known.
 - (i) Rate and amount of royalty paid to the copyright owner. If known.
17. Remarks, if any.
18. List of enclosures.

Place.....

Date.....

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(Signature)

FORMVIII

(See Rule 44)

**APPLICATION FORM FOR PERMISSION TO CARRY ON COPYRIGHT
BUSINESS AND FOR REGISTRATION AS A COPYRIGHT SOCIETY**

1. Name and address of the association of persons making the application (in capital letters) (hereinafter referred to as "applicant").
2. The right or set of rights in specific categories of works in respect of which the applicant proposes to carry on the copyright business.
3. The certificate to show that the applicant has a separate legal personality.
4. Name, address and profession or occupation of the persons who comprise the applicant.
5. Details of works in which copyright of such individuals subsist.
6. The territory or territories to which the business of the applicant shall extend.
7. The names, addresses and profession/occupation of individuals comprising the Governing Body (by whatever name called) of the applicant in whom the ultimate management, control and direction of the applicant is vested.
8. The capacity (author or other owner of the rights) in which such individual has become a member of Governing Body.
9. Address of the registered or administrative office of the applicant at which its records will be maintained and kept and the designation of the chief executive officer of the applicant with address on whom communications may be served.
10. Financial position of the applicant on the date making the application i.e., last audited balance sheet and income and expenditure account/bank balance.
11. Documents mentioned in rule 48.
12. Signature along with the name of the members of the governing body.
13. Name and signature of the chief executive officer.

Place.....

Date.....

FORM IX
(See rule 47)

**APPLICATION FORM FOR RE-REGISTRATION OR RENEWAL OF REGISTRATION
OF A COPYRIGHT SOCIETY**

1. Name and address of the association of persons making the application (in capital letters) (hereinafter referred to as "applicant").
2. The right or set of rights in specific categories of works in respect of which the applicant proposes to carry on the copyright business.
3. The certificate to show that the applicant has a separate legal personality.
4. The territory or territories to which the business of the applicant shall extend.
5. The year of incorporation of the applicant and the date from which the applicant has been carrying on the copyright business of granting licenses.
6. The names, addresses and profession/occupation of individuals comprising the Governing Body (by whatever name called) of the applicant in whom the ultimate management, control and direction of the applicant is vested.
7. The capacity (author or other owner of the rights) in which such individual has become a member of Governing Body.
8. Address of the registered or administrative office of the applicant at which its records will be maintained and kept and the designation of the chief executive officer of the applicant with address on whom communications may be served.
9. Financial position of the applicant on the date of making the application *i.e.*, last audited balance sheet and income and expenditure account/bank balance.
10. Documents mentioned in rule 47(3) and 48.
11. Signature along with the name of the members of the governing body.
12. Name and signature of the chief executive officer.

Place.....

Date.....

FORM X
(See rule 49)

**CERTIFICATE OF REGISTRATION UNDER SECTION
33(3) OF THE COPYRIGHT ACT, 1957**

It is certified that.....(name of the society and address) has been registered by the central Government, *vide* Registration No.....as a copyright society under sub-section (3) of section 33 of the Copyright Act, 1957 (14 of 1957) and permitted to commence and carry on the copyright business in.....(here indicate the name of the particular class of works).

The registration and the permission hereby granted are subject to the following conditions and liable to be cancelled on non-compliance with, or contravention of, any of them, namely:—

- (i) That the particulars furnished in the application are true and correct and not misleading in any manner; and
- (ii) that the copyright society shall duly comply with all the obligations imposed on it by or under the copyright Act, 1957 (14 of 1957) and the copyright Rules, 1958.

New Delhi

Date:

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Registrar of Copyrights

Form XI
(See rule 68)

**APPLICATION FORM FOR PERMISSION TO CARRY ON BUSINESS AND FOR
REGISTRATION AS A PERFORMER'S SOCIETY**

1. Name and address of the association of performers making the application (in capital letters) (hereinafter referred to as "applicant").
2. The class or classes of performers for whose rights the applicant is to carry on the business of issuing licences.
3. The certificate to show that the applicant has a separate legal personality.
4. Names, addresses and profession or occupation of the persons who comprise the applicant.
5. The territory or territories to which the business shall extend.
6. The names, addresses and profession/occupation of individuals comprising the Governing Body (by whatever name called) of the applicant in whom the ultimate management, control and direction of the applicant is vested.
7. The capacity (performer or other owner of the rights) in which such individual has become a member of Governing Body.
8. Address of the registered or administrative office of the applicant at which its records will be maintained and kept and the designation of the chief executive officer of the applicant with address on whom communications may be served.
9. Financial position of the applicant on the date of making the application *i.e.*, last audited balance sheet and income and expenditure account/bank balance.
10. Documents mentioned in rule 48.
11. Signature along with the name of the members of the governing body.
12. Name and signature of the chief executive officer.

Place.....

Date.....

Form XII

(See rule 68)

**APPLICATION FORM FOR RE-REGISTRATION OR RENEWAL
OF REGISTRATION AS A PERFORMER'S SOCIETY**

1. Name and address of the association of performers making the application (in capital letters) (hereinafter referred to as "applicant").
2. The class or classes of performers for whose rights the applicant is to carry on the business of issuing licence.
3. Names, addresses and profession or occupation of the persons who comprise the applicant.
4. The territory or territories to which the business shall extend.
5. The names, addresses and profession/occupation of individuals comprising the Governing Body (by whatever name called) of the applicant in whom the ultimate management, control and direction of the applicant is vested.
6. The capacity (performer or other owner of the rights) in which such individual has become a member of Governing Body.
7. Address of the registered or administrative office of the applicant at which its records will be maintained and kept and the designation of the chief executive officer of the applicant with address on whom communications may be served.
8. Financial position of the applicant on the date of making the application *i.e.*, last audited balance sheet and income and expenditure account/bank balance.
9. Documents mentioned in rules 47(3) and 48.
10. Signature along with the name of the members of the governing body.
11. Name and signature of the chief executive officer.

Place.....

Date.....

FORM XIII
FORM OF REGISTER OF COPYRIGHTS
(See rule 69)

1. Registration number.
2. Name, address and nationality of the applicant.
3. Nature of the applicant's interest in the copyright of the work.
4. Class and description of the work.
5. Title of the work.
6. Language of the work.
7. Name, address and nationality of the author and, if the author is deceased, the date of his decease.
8. Whether work is published or unpublished.
9. Year and country of first publication and name, address and nationality of the publisher.
10. Years and countries of subsequent publications, if any, and names, addresses and nationalities of the publishers.
11. Names, addresses and nationalities of the owners of the various rights comprising the copyright in the work and the extent of rights held by each, together with particulars of assignments and licences, if any.
12. Names, addresses and nationalities of other persons, if any, authorised to assign or license the rights comprising the copyrights. If the work is an artistic work the location of the original work.
13. Architectural work (the year of completion of the work should also be shown).
14. In case of artistic work whether it is used or capable of being used in relation to any goods or services.
15. Remarks, if any.

FORM XIV

Application for Registration of Copyright
[See rule 70]

To,

The Registrar of Copyrights,
Copyright Office,
Boudhik Sampada Bhawan, Plot No. 32,
Sector 14, Dwarka, New Delhi-110075
Phone: 011-25301202

Sir,

In accordance with section 45 of the Copyright Act, 1957 (14 of 1957), I hereby apply for registration of copyright and request that entries may be made in the Register of Copyrights as in the enclosed statement of Particulars' sent herewith in triplicate.

1. I also send herewith duly completed the statement of further particulars relating to the work.
2. In accordance with rule 70 of the Copyright Rules, 2012, I have sent by pre-paid registered post copies of this letter and of the enclosed statement(s) to the other parties concerned, as shown below:

Names and addresses of the parties	Date of Dispatch
1	2

3. The prescribed fee has been paid, as per details below:
4. Communications on this subject may be addressed to:
5. I hereby declare that to the best of my knowledge and belief, no person, other than to whom a notice has been sent as per paragraph 2 above has any claim or interest or dispute to my copyright of this work or to its use by me.
6. I hereby verify that the particulars given in this Form and the Statement of Particulars and Statement of Further Particulars are true to the best of my knowledge, belief and information and nothing has been concealed therefrom.
7. List of enclosures:

Yours faithfully

(Signature of the Applicant)

Place:

Date:

STATEMENT OF PARTICULARS

1.	Registration number <i>(To be filled in the Copyright Office)</i>	
2.	Name, Address and Nationality of the Applicant	
3.	Nature of the applicant's interest in the copyright of the work	
4.	Class and description of the work	
5.	Title of the work	
6.	Language of the work	
7.	Name, address and nationality of the author and, if the author is deceased, the date of his decease	
8.	Whether work is Published or Unpublished	
9.	Year and country of first publication and name, address and nationality of the publishers	
10.	Years and countries of subsequent publications, if any, and names, addresses and nationalities of the publisher	
11.	Names, address and nationalities of the owners of the various rights comprising the copyright in the work and the extent of rights held by each, together with particulars of assignment and licenses, if any	
12.	Names, addresses and nationalities of other persons, if any, authorized to assign or license the rights comprising the copyright	
13.	If the work is an "artistic work", the location of the original work, including name, address and nationality of the person in possession of the work. (In the case of an architectural work, the year of completion of the work should also be shown)	
14.	If the work is an 'artistic work' which is used or is capable of being used in relation to any goods or services, the application shall include a certificate from the Registrar of Trade Marks in terms of the proviso to sub-section (1) of section 45 of the Copyright Act, 1957.]	
15.	If the work is an "artistic work" whether it is registered under the Designs Act 2000. If yes give details.	
16.	If the work is an "artistic work" capable of being registered as a design under the Designs Act 2000, whether it has been applied to an article through an industrial process and , if yes, the number of times it is reproduced.	
17.	Remarks, if any	

(Signature of the Applicant)

Place:

Date:

STATEMENT OF FURTHER PARTICULARS

(For Literary, including Software, Dramatic, Musical and Artistic Works only)

1.	Is the work to be registered	
(a)	An original work?	
(b)	Translation of a work in the public domain?	
(c)	A translation of a work in which copyright subsists?	
(d)	An adaptation of a work in the public domain?	
(e)	An adaptation of a work in which copyright subsists?	
2.	If the work is a translation or adaptation of a work in which copyright subsists:	
(a)	Title of the original work.	
(b)	Language of the original work.	
(c)	Name, address and nationality of the author of the original work and, if the author is deceased, the date of his decease.	
(d)	Name, address and nationality of the publisher, if any, of the original work.	
(e)	Particulars of the authorization for a translation or adaptation including the name, address and nationality of the party authorizing.	
3.	Remarks, if any.	

(Signature of the Applicant)

Place:

Date:

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

1. Rule 70 (3) of the copyright Rules 2013 provides that application has to be signed by applicant (author/owner) only it **does not provide for an attorney to sign an application** (Form XIV) including the Statement of Particulars (**SoP**) and the Statement of Further Particulars (**SoFP**) on behalf of the applicant, which are to be signed by none other than the applicant himself.
2. **Form XIV, SoP & SoFP** submitted only in the format prescribed by the Copyright Office. Only one copy of **Form XIV, SoP & SoFP** is required.
3. Name/address/nationality of the person whose photograph appears on the work may please be intimated in the remarks column. If that person is other than the applicant, a No Objection Certificate, in original may be obtained from that person [from heir(s) if the person is deceased/from the guardian in the case of minor] and enclose with the application.
4. Work should be identical with the Search Certificate in respect of size/colour/design.
5. As per the Rule 70 (5) for registration of Computer Programme or Software, the applicant should provide source code and object code.
6. In case of Sound Recording & Cinematograph category enclose the copy of agreement. If no agreement is made please obtain NOC from various copyright holders and enclosed the same with the application.
7. Power of Attorney should be on stamp paper duly accepted by attorney/signed by the applicant. Incomplete POA is not acceptable.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR FILLING UP THE COPYRIGHT REGISTRATION FORM:

FORM XIV

2. Indicate Names and addresses of the other parties concerned and date of dispatch.

Under Rule 70 (9) of the Copyright Rules, 2013, the applicant is required to send notice by registered post copies of Form XIV, SoP & SoFP to **other parties concerned** that you are submitting application for the registration of copyright in the Copyright Office. (Please see Cols. 7, 11, 12, 13).

3. **The prescribed fee has been paid, as per details below:** Please give the details of fee as shown below:

S. No.	DD/IPO No.	Date	Amount	Name of the Bank

4. **Communications on this subject may be addressed to:** Please provide name and complete communication address with pin code. Pin code should be complete.

STATEMENT OF PARTICULARS

1. **Registration number:** *(To be filled in the Copyright Office)*
2. **Name, Address and Nationality of the Applicant:** Applicant may be individual/firm/company/government/university/institution. Also give the complete address and nationality.
3. **Nature of the applicant's interest in the copyright of the work:** Applicant may be Author/Owner/Publisher/Composer/Producer/Artist.
4. **Class and description of the work:** Please indicate the appropriate **class of work** from the following categories:

Literary / Artistic / Cinematograph Film / Sound Recording / Music / Computer Software

5. **Title of the work:** Please mention the title of the work. The work to be registered for copyright must have a title which should be short and identical with the work.
6. **Language of the work:** Mention all the languages used in the work. In the absence of any script in the work, indicate 'nil'. In case of Computer Software please mention software language instead of 'English'.
7. **Name, address and nationality of the author and, if the author is deceased, the date of his decease:** Please furnish Name/Address/Nationality of the author. Here 'Author' means person(s) who has/have actually created the work. Authors may be more than one.

The Firm itself cannot be the author of a work except in case of Cinematograph Film and Sound Recording category.

If the author of the work is other than the applicant, a **No Objection Certificate**, in original from the author(s) (clearly indicating that he has no objection if the copyright in the work is registered in the name of the applicant) should be submitted. In case the author is partner/proprietor/employee of the applicant firm, the same may be indicated in the application.

If the author is deceased, please mention the date of decease and also submit a notarized affidavit regarding inheritance of right(s) /NOC from all the legal heirs of the deceased author in favour of the applicant

8. **Whether work is Published or Unpublished:** Mention whether the work is published or unpublished.

9. **Year and country of first publication and name, address and nationality of the publishers:** If the work is published, indicated the **year/country of first publication/ name/ address/ nationality of the publisher(s)**.

If the work is **published** by a person/firm other than the applicant, a **No Objection Certificate**, in original, may be obtained from that person/firm and enclose with application.

10. **Years and countries of subsequent publications, if any, and names, addresses and nationalities of the publisher:** If the work has any subsequent publications, indicated the **year/country of first publication/name/address/nationality of the publisher(s)**.

11. **Names, address and nationalities of the owners of the various rights comprising the**

Copyright in the work and the extent of rights held by each, together with particulars of assignment and licenses, if any: The name, address & nationality of the person(s) who hold(s) the various rights comprising the copyright in the work are required to be mentioned. In case the applicant himself intends to hold all the rights in the work, his particulars as already given against Col.2 may be mentioned. In case the applicant is a partnership firm, the names of all the partners and their respective shares in the copyright may be indicated.

12. Names, addresses and nationalities of other persons, if any, authorized to assign or license the rights comprising the copyright: If the author intends to authorize other person(s) to assign or license the copyright on his behalf, the name, address and nationality of such person may be indicated. If not, please indicate 'nil' against this column.

13. If the work is an "artistic work", the location of the original work, including name, address and nationality of the person in possession of the work. (In the case of an architectural work, the year of completion of the work should also be shown):

14. If the work is an 'artistic work' which is used or is capable of being used in relation to any goods or services, the application shall include a certificate from the Registrar of Trade Marks in terms of the proviso to sub-section (1) of section 45 of the Copyright Act, 1957.]: As per Rule 70 (6) a Search Certificate from The Trade Marks Registry is mandatory if the artistic work is to be used or capable of being used in relation to any goods, irrespective of whether trade mark is registered or not. Otherwise, clearly state that the work is neither used nor capable of being used in relation to any goods.

15. If the work is an "artistic work" whether it is registered under the Designs Act 2000. If yes give details:

16. If the work is an "artistic work" capable of being registered as a design under the Designs Act 2000, whether it has been applied to an article through an industrial process and , if yes, the number of times it is reproduced:

17. Remarks, if any: If any other information related to work to be registered, may be indicated in this column.

STATEMENT OF FURTHER PARTICULARS

If the work is original, answer to Col.1 (a) would be "yes", and all other columns may be indicated as "Nil". If the work is not original please furnish necessary details as required.

FORM-XV
Application for registration of changes in the particulars of copyright entered in
the Register of Copyrights
[See rule 71]

To,

The Registrar of Copyrights,
Copyright Office,
Boudhik Sampada Bhawan, Plot No. 32,
Sector 14, Dwarka, New Delhi-110075
Phone: 011-25301202

Sir,

In accordance with rule 71 of the Copyright Rules, 2013, I hereby apply for registration of changes in the particulars of copyright entered in the Register of Copyrights and request that changes in the existing entries may be made as specified in the enclosed statement of particulars.

2. I have sent by registered post copies of this letter and of the statement of particulars to the other parties concerned* as shown below:

Names and addresses of parties Date of dispatch

*See columns 7, 11, 12 and 13 of Register of Copyrights

3. The prescribed fee has been paid, as per details below:

.....
4. Commissioner on subject may be addressed to:

.....
5. I hereby declare that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, no person other than to whom a notice has been sent as per paragraph 2, has any claim, interest or dispute to my copyright of this work, or to its use by me.

6. I hereby verify that the particulars given in this Form and the Statement of particulars are true to the best of my knowledge, belief and information and nothing has been concealed therefrom.

Yours faithfully

Place.....

Date.....

.....

(Signature of Applicant)

STATEMENT OF PARTICULARS

1. Registration number in the Register of Copyrights.
2. Changes sought in the particulars of copyright as entered in the Register of Copyrights.

	Existing entry in the	Proposed entry in	Reasons for <i>the</i>
Reference to column number of the <i>Register of Copyrights</i>	Register of <i>Copyrights of Copyrights</i>	<i>place of the existing entry in the Register</i>	<i>changes proposed</i>
<i>1</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>3</i>	<i>4</i>

Note. — Where the changes proposed are consequent on assignment or licenses of copyright, attested copies of the deeds of assignments or licenses should be enclosed.

3. List of enclosures.

Place.....

Date.....

(Signature)

Form XVI
NOTICE UNDER SECTION 53 OF THE ACT
(See rule 79)

To

The Commissioner of Customs,
Central Board of Excise and Customs,
New Delhi.

Sir,

In accordance with section 53 of the Copyright Act, 1957 (14 of 1957), I hereby state that I am the owner of the copyright /right in.....(work) or I am the duly authorized agent of(full name).....who is the owner of copyright/right in(work)..... as per the attached statement. (no. of copies)infringing copies of the said work are expected to arrive in India at(time)at.....(place)(evidence attached) which if brought to India would be infringing copies of the work (evidence attached). I hereby request you to kindly treat these infringing copies as prohibited goods for a period of

I undertake to deposit such amount as may be required as security having regard to the likely expense on demurrage, cost of storage and compensation to the importer in case it is found that the work are not infringing copies. I further undertake to produce an order from a court of competent jurisdiction as to temporary or permanent disposal of such goods within fourteen days from the date of their detention. The particulars in the statement below are true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Place.....

Yours faithfully

Date.....

.....

(Signatures)

Form of Affidavit

I,,
of

(full name in block letters)

.....do

Hereby (full address) on solemn affirmation state that –

- (1) The particulars in the statement below are true to the best of my knowledge and belief;
- (2) The works which are being imported in accordance with the particulars in the said statement are infringing copies of the work described in the said statement; and
- (3) I am interested in the prevention of importation of the said infringing copies.

STATEMENT

1. Particulars of the Work and Rights held:

(i) Full name, address and nationality of the person giving notice

- (ii) If the applicant is not the owner of the copyright, full name, address and nationality of the owner of the copyright.
- (iii) Description of the work:
 - a. Class of the work (Literary, Dramatic, Musical, Artistic, Cinematograph Film, Sound Recording);
 - b. Title of the work;
 - c. Full name, address and nationality of the author and, if the author is deceased, the date of his decease;
 - d. Language of the work;
 - e. Name and address of the publisher;
 - f. Year of first publication;
 - g. Country of first publication;
 - h. If the copyright in the work is registered under section 45, the registration number.

2. Details of import of infringing copies:

- (i) Country of origin of the infringing copies;
- (ii) Name, address and nationality of the importer in India;
- (iii) Name, address and nationality of the maker of the infringing copies;
- (iv) Expected time and place of import of the infringing copies into India;
- (v) In case a consignment of the infringing copies is detected and detained, will the applicant be prepared to go himself or depute an authorized agent to identify the said copies to the satisfaction of the Commissioner of Customs?

3. Whether the prescribed fee has been paid and, if so, particulars of payment (give Postal Order/Bank Draft/Treasury Challan number).

4. Any other relevant information not covered above.

5. Enclosures:

- (i) Copy of the work the copyright/other right in which is being infringed;
- (ii) Evidence of ownership and authorship of copyright in the work;
- (iii) Evidence of infringement of copyright;
- (iv) Evidence of infringing copies being brought to India;
- (v) Evidence of payment of fee (copy of Postal Order/Bank Draft/Treasury Challan).

Place.....

Date.....

.....

(Signatures)

SECOND SCHEDULE

(See rule 83)

S.No.	Item	Fee
1.	For a license to republish a Literary, Dramatic, Musical or Artistic Work (sections 31, 31A, 31B* and 32A).	Rs. 5,000 per work
2.	For a license to communicate an any work to the public by Broadcast [section 31(1)(b)].	Rs. 40,000 per applicant/per station
3.	For a license to republish a Cinematograph Film (section 31).	Rs. 15,000 per work
4.	For a license to republish a Sound Recording (section 31).	Rs. 10,000 per work
5.	For a license to perform any work in public (section 31).	Rs. 5,000 per work
6.	For a license to publish or communicate to the public the work or translation (section 31A).	Rs. 5,000 per work
7.	For a license to publish any work in any format useful for person with disability (section 31B).	Rs. 2,000 per work
8.	For an application for a license to produce and publish a translation of a Literary or Dramatic work in any language (sections 32 and 32A).	Rs. 5,000 per work
9.	For an application for registration of copyright in a- (a)Literary, Dramatic, Musical or Artistic Work (b)Provided that in respect of Literary or Artistic work which is used or is capable of being used in relation to any goods (section 45).	Rs. 500 per work Rs. 2000 per work
10.	For an application for change in particulars of copyright entered in the Register of Copyrights in respect of a : (a) Literary, Dramatic, Musical or Artistic Work (b) Provided that in respect of Literary or Artistic work which is used or is capable of being used in relation to any goods (section 45).	Rs. 200 per work Rs. 1000 per work
11.	For an application for registration of copyright in a Cinematograph Film (section 45).	Rs. 5,000 per work
12.	For an application for registration of changes in particulars of copyright entered in the Register of Cinematograph Film (Section 45).	Rs. 2,000 per work
13.	For an application for registration of copyright in a Sound Recording (section 45).	Rs. 2000 per work
14.	For an application for registration of changes in particulars of copyright entered in the Register of Copyrights in respect of a Sound Recording (section 45)	Rs. 1000 per work
15.	For taking extracts from the Register of Copyrights (section 47).	Rs. 500 per work

16.	For taking extracts from the indexes (section 47).	Rs. 500 per work
17.	For a certified copy of an extract from the Register of Copyrights or the Indexes (section 47).	Rs. 500 per copy
18.	For a certified copy of any other public document in the custody of the Registrar of Copyrights or Secretary of the Copyright Board.	Rs. 500 per copy
19.	For an application for prevention of importation of infringing copies (section 53)	Rs. 1200 per work per place of entry