### INDIA NON JUDICIAL

## **Government of National Capital Territory of Delhi**

### e-Stamp

Certificate No.

Certificate Issued Date

Account Reference

Unique Doc. Reference

Purchased by

Description of Document

Property Description

Consideration Price (Rs.)

First Party

Second Party

Stamp Duty Paid By

Stamp Duty Amount(Rs.)

IN-DL04779697451803T

31-Jul-2021 02:02 PM

IMPACC (PF)/ dl763913/ DELHI/ DL-DLH

SUBIN-DLDL76391307276278398899T

PANKAJ GARG

Article 12 Award

Not Applicable

(Zero)

PANKAJ GARG

Not Applicable

PANKAJ GARG

(One Hundred only)



\_\_\_Please write or type below this line\_\_\_\_\_

# BEFORE SHRI PANKAJ GARG, SOLE ARBITRATOR, AT NEW DELHI

COMPLAINT NO. INDRP CASE NO. 1401/2021

- The authenticity of this Stamp certificate should be verified at 'www.shoilestamp.com' or using e-Stamp Mobile App of Stock Holding. Any discrepancy in the details on this Certificate and as available on the website / Mobile App renders it invalid.
   The onus of checking the legitimacy is on the users of the certificate.
   In case of any discrepancy please inform the Competent Authority.

#### AMAZON TECHNOLOGIES INC.

...COMPLAINANT

#### **VERSUS**

JITENDRA MEHTA, RKM FABRICS PVT. LTD.
.....RESPONDENT

**CORAM:** 

HON'BLE MR. PANKAJ GARG

# <u>AWARD</u>

31.07.2021

The matter is taken up today by this Tribunal for passing an award on merits in terms of the notice issued by this Tribunal on 06.07.2021.

The service of the hard copy as well as the soft copy of the Complaint and the Notice of this Tribunal upon the Respondent has already been completed.

The Respondent failed to file a reply/counter on the Complaint, preferred by the Complainant.



Considering the circumstances that the award has to be passed in time bound manner, within 60 days from the date of initiation of the Arbitral Proceedings, an award on merits is passed today on 31.07.2021.

### **CONCLUSION FOR AWARD**

As per the material placed on record and the averments made in the complaint and also in the annexed evidences and documents, which have been proved in evidence, it is evident that the domain name <a href="https://www.fire-tv.in">www.fire-tv.in</a> is a well known domain name. The same is known to most of the people of the entire world. No one is entitled and can be authorized to use the same either as a domain name or as a trademark in relation to the similar or dissimilar business, as the said domain name/trade mark has got a unique goodwill and reputation.

In nutshell the case of the Complainant is that the impugned domain name is being illegally used by the Respondent giving an injury to the Complainant. It is also stated by the Complainant that various Trade Marks in the name of "FIRE TV"/ "FIRE" have already been registered in India as well, since 2011 and being continuously used by the Complainant.

Respondent despite the opportunities failed to file a reply/counter on the complaint preferred by the Complainant till



It is an undisputed fact that the Complainant is the legitimate owner of the Trade mark "FIRE TV"/ "FIRE" and has acquired ownership rights in terms of the provisions of Section 17 of Trade Marks Act, 1999, even if it is considered that the Respondent is using the impugned domain name which includes the word "FIRE", since 2020, then also the Respondent cannot have a better title over the names "FIRE TV"/ "FIRE". This Tribunal is jurisdictionally bound to consider only the dispute of present domain name. And in the present circumstances under the impugned domain name word "FIRE TV" is already a registered Trade Mark under the ownership of the Complainant and one particular fact can also not be ignored that Respondent, since 2020 when the Domain name "FIRE TV" was registered for Respondent, the Respondent has not taken any steps against Complainant, thus Respondent can be said to be estopped.

This Tribunal is of a view that the question whether the "FIRE TV" is a generic word or not is not within the jurisdiction of this Tribunal since, the impugned domain name consists of a word "FIRE TV" which is already under the legitimate ownership of Complainant in terms of the provisions of Trade Marks Act, 1999. The "FIRE TV" is now even for the Complainant is no more a generic word and has gained the worldwide business existence, whenever word "FIRE TV" is used in business world it means it is of Complainant. Although "FIRE" as a generic word, be a typically a process in which substances combine

chemically with oxygen from the air and typically give out bright light, heat, and smoke; combustion or burning, may be for person not using it in the business activities, but here if it is used by anyone in the business world, it carries with a specific significance with the Complainant only, thus, in the opinion of this Tribunal "FIRE TV" is not a generic word in the entire business world.

In the opinion of this Tribunal, the impugned domain name is a trademark backed domain name and it not only violates the provisions of the Trade Marks Act, 1999 but also violates Clause 4 of the INDRP policy issued by the NIXI. The impugned domain name conflicts with the legitimate rights and interests of the Complainant on the following premises:-

- a) The impugned domain name is identical and confusingly similar to a named trademark as well as a service mark, in which the Complainant has a right;
- b) Respondent has no right or legitimate interest in respect of the impugned domain name;
- c) The Respondent impugned domain name has been registered and is being used in bad faith by using the registered trademark of the Complainant and giving a

pecuniary loss to the Complainant by using the name and trademark of the Complainant.

The evidences filed by the Complainant have been proved by the Complainant, therefore, the statements and documents filed by the Complainant are accepted as correct deposition. In view of the facts and settled law, with the deposition and documents of the Complainant placed before this Tribunal, the Complaint deserves to be allowed for an Award on merits in favour of the Complainant, as prayed in the Complaint by the Complainant.

### **DECISION**

a) In view thereof, it is directed that the domain name <a href="https://www.fire-tv.in">www.fire-tv.in</a> be transferred in favour of the Complainant by the Registry. As a result, the Respondent, his agents, servants, dealers, distributors and any other person(s) acting for and on its behalf are permanently restrained from using the domain name <a href="https://www.fire-tv.in">www.fire-tv.in</a> or any other deceptively similar trademark, which may amount to infringement of Complainant registered trademark and also from doing any other thing, which is likely to create confusion and deception with the goods/services of the Respondent for any connection with the Complainant.



- b) The Complaint is allowed in the above terms.
- c) National Internet Exchange of India (NIXI) is advised to take incidental or ancillary action involved in the transfer of the domain name, as directed.
- d) A cost of Rs. 75,000/- is imposed upon Respondent to be paid to Complainant for inordinate delay in renaming/surrendering the impugned Domain name.



Place: New Delhi

Date: 31st July, 2021