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No.GIR/App.No.492/FCR/ 14-15 / 737

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To

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Sub: In the matter of GI Application No. 492 - Notice under Rule 31 of the Geographical Indications of Goods (Registration and Protection) Rule 2002.

Sir/Madam,

With reference to **GI Application No. 492,** in respect of **"Khadi (Khaddar)"** the following deficiencies as mentioned below to be complied by you within the prescribed time:

- 1. Application for a GI must be made by any association of persons or producers or any organization or authority <u>established by or under any law</u> for time being in force <u>representing the interest of the producers of the concerned goods</u> as per Section 11 How the Applicant represents the interest of the producers of the GI?
 - a) How does "Department of Handlooms and Textiles, Government of Tamil Nadu" qualify as an Applicant as per Section 11?
 - b) How does "**Khadi (Khaddar)**" qualify as Geographical Indications as per Section 2 (e)?
- 2. File a PA/GPA or Authorisation on Form GI-10 (B) on behalf of applicant in original.
- A statement of Case must be <u>made in triplicate</u> and should accompany the Application. It should contain detailed information relating to the Applicant, specification and description of the goods, how the GI serves to designate the goods as originating from the concerned territory having a special quality and how those quality standards are maintained, methods of production, historical details, reputation, uniqueness of the goods or other characteristic.
- 4. Detailed description and specification of GI product "**Khadi (Khaddar)**" to be provided.
- 5. To furnish documents/copies of documents to support the proof of origin, period of use and usage of name of the GI "**Khadi (Khaddar)**".

- 6. Details relating to linkage or relationship between the Geographical area / environment on the GI product "**Khadi (Khaddar)**" to be provided, if any.
- 7. The uniqueness of the GI product "Khadi (Khaddar)" to be furnished.
- 8. List of producers of Khadi (Khaddar) to be submitted.
- 9. To file application along with logo (if any) for better protection of GI rights.
- 10. The detailed information of dimensions, descriptions & designs adopted by the producers are to be provided.
- 11. The traditional practices adopted and know-how if any has to be highlighted.
- 12. The provide details of general practices adopted during the production process (Method of production) to be provided alongwith quality standards at various stages, human factor adding to the quality of the product.
- 13. Detailed information relating to the raw materials and its linkage with GI Area, tools, etc., their method of production and making of the finished products, its texture, characteristic and above all the craftsmanship involved of the artisans are vital factors which are to be furnished.
- 14. To provide two copies (One original & One certified preferably in A4 or A3 size) of the map of the territory, region or locality demarcating Geographical area of production in which the goods relating to the Geographical Indication are being produced or manufactured issued from a competent statutory authority giving details of the longitude and latitude of the production area.
- 15. An internal Watchdog mechanism to be setup by the producers to maintain the quality and regulating the use of Geographical Indications.
- 16. Give details of the inspection structure, if any, to regulate the use of the GI in the territory to which it relates. The Inspection Structure should be strengthened with an independent neutral agency to maintain the quality after post registration of GI which should be capable of regulating the use of Geographical Indications in respect of the goods for which the application is made in the definite territory.
- 17. File a notarized affidavit in original stating how the applicant claims to represent the interest of the association of persons or producers or any organization or authority established by or under any law; Approximate Annual Turnover, How interest of the Artisans/ Farmers is protected. The date, month & year of execution of the affidavit should be mentioned.

Please note that the above requirements to be complied within One (1) month from the date of receipt of this notice, failing which the application may be treated as abandoned under Rule 31 of the Geographical Indications of Goods (Registration and Protection) Rules 2002.

Yours faithfully,

Prashanth Kumar S. Bhairappanavar Examiner of TM & Geographical Indications
For Registrar of Geographical Indications