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* **IN THE HIGH COURT OF DELHI AT NEW DELHI**

+ **W.P.(C)-IPD 4/2022**

DR. REDDYS LABORATORIES LIMITED Petitioner

Through: None.

versus

CONTROLLER GENERAL OF PATENTS DESIGNS AND
TRADEMARKS Respondent

Through: Mr. Harish Vaidyanathan Shankar,
CGSC with Mr. Srish Kumar Mishra,
Mr. Sagar Mehlawat and Mr.
Alexander Mathai Paikaday,
Advocates. (M:9810788606)

CORAM:

JUSTICE PRATHIBA M. SINGH

ORDER

% **20.10.2022**

1. This hearing has been done through hybrid mode.

REVIEW PET.102/2022

2. Vide previous order dated 9th September, 2022, further status report was directed to be filed by the CGPTDM to ascertain the progress of pending opposition proceedings in trademark applications. The following questions were to be addressed by the said report:

- a) The number of officials who have started hearing opposition matters;
- b) The number of hearings in opposition matters, which have been conducted on a daily basis in each Trademark Office of Chennai, Mumbai, Delhi, Kolkata and Ahmedabad;
- c) The number of oppositions, which have been taken up for hearing

and either been settled or have been disposed of since July 2022; and
d) Latest pendency figures of opposition proceedings with a break-up of pendency in each jurisdiction.

3. Today, further status report has been received from the office of CGPDTM, as per which, the following information has been given:

“A. No. of officials started hearing the opposition Matters:

<i>BRANCH OFFICE</i>	<i>NUMBER OF HEARING OFFICERS STARTED HEARING OPPOSITIONS MATTERS</i>
<i>AHMEDABAD</i>	<i>09</i>
<i>CHENNAI</i>	<i>07</i>
<i>DELHI</i>	<i>10</i>
<i>KOLKATA</i>	<i>04</i>
<i>MUMBAI</i>	<i>11</i>

B. No. of hearing in oppositions matters which have been conducted on daily basis in each trademark office of Chennai, Mumbai, Delhi, Kolkata, Ahmedabad:

<i>BRANCH OFFICE</i>	<i>NO. OF MATTER CONDUCTED HEARING OF DAILY BASIS (ON AN AVERAGE)</i>
<i>AHMEDABAD</i>	<i>55-65</i>
<i>CHENNAI</i>	<i>70 (approx.)</i>
<i>DELHI</i>	<i>80-90</i>
<i>KOLKATA</i>	<i>30-40</i>
<i>MUMBAI</i>	<i>70-80</i>

C. The number of oppositions that have been taken up for hearing and either been settled or have been disposed of since July 2022:

Period of considerations	Number Oppositions scheduled	Number of Cases Settled or Disposed of
July 2022	3822	1737
August 2022	5537	2869
September 2022	5351	4003
Total	14710	8609

D. Latest Pendency figures in oppositions proceedings with a breakup of pendency in each jurisdiction as on 07.10.2022:

SR.NO.	JURISDICTION	NO. OF APPLICATIONS
1.	AHMEDABAD	35001
2.	CHENNAI	38102
3.	DELHI	89647
4.	KOLKATA	17639
5.	MUMBAI	60381
	Grand Total	240770

4. The Court takes note of the data furnished in the status report. Considering the large pendency of opposition proceedings, let the further steps if any, taken for early disposal of the oppositions, be reported by the office of CGPDTM by the next date of hearing, with a fresh status report

being filed on all the above aspects once again.

5. List on 5th January, 2023.
6. This is a part-heard matter.

PRATHIBA M. SINGH, J.

OCTOBER 20, 2022*/dk/ms*