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## **Public Notice regarding coming into force of International Registration of Trademarks under the Madrid Protocol**

The Intellectual Property Office (IPO) has notified that the statutory provisions with reference to International Registration of Trademarks under the Madrid Protocol have come into force in India from July 08, 2013 and accordingly the amendments in the Trade Marks Act and Rules enabling the International Registration under Madrid Protocol have also become effective from the said date.

The Notice further states that any natural person or legal entity possessing a real and effective industrial or commercial establishment in India or domiciled in India or is a national of India and has registration of a trademark or pending application for a mark can make an online application for International Registration of Trademark under the Protocol. The IPO has also provided a gateway for filing application online under the Madrid Protocol at the home page of IPO website and has also delineated the pre-requisites and other necessary instructions for filing applications at [www.ipindia.nic.in](http://www.ipindia.nic.in) .

An applicant desirous of filing International Registration of Trademark under the Madrid Protocol can also send queries at [madrid.tmr@nic.in](mailto:madrid.tmr@nic.in) and in case the applicant faces any difficulty while filing application, he can also make a call at 011- 25300290 to clarify his queries.

The aforesaid Public Notice can be accessed from the Indian Intellectual Property Office website at: [http://www.ipindia.nic.in/iponew/publicNotice1\\_08July2013.pdf](http://www.ipindia.nic.in/iponew/publicNotice1_08July2013.pdf).