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To, .IN REGISTRY, National Internet Exchange of India, B-901,9'th Floor, Tower B, World Trade Centre, Nauroji Nagar, New Delhi 110029

Sub- DOMAIN NAME "dpdpa.in" – Placing of Server lock by NIXI and threat to initiate transfer

Sir,

Under instructions and authority from my clients Ujvala Consultants Private Limited, having its office at 37, 20th Main Rd, Mysore Bank Colony, Phase 1, Banashankari 1st Stage, Banashankari, Bengaluru, Karnataka 560050 and CIN NO. U74140KA1994PTC015224, I am serving following notice to you.

That my clients are engaged into consulting in Cyber Law, HIPAA, GDPR and CCPA related consultancy besides Indian Personal Data Protection regulations since long.

That my clients are the patron member and Supporting Partner of Foundation of Data Protection Professionals in India (FDPPI) and is driving a movement of Data Protection Awareness and Compliance in India.

That my client received communication from you dated 1 August 2025 informing placing of the domain name dpdpa.in presently registered under their name since 16th November 2022 under server

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lock with a threat of imitating transfer before 6thAugust 2025 ostensibly to the Government of India as desired by them.

That your said communication also warns that as per Clause 12(2) of the terms, you have powers to deny, cancel, transfer or otherwise make unavailable any registration that it deems necessary or place any domain name(s) or registry lock and/or put a domain name on hold in its discretion (1) to protect the integrity and stability of .IN Registry; (2) to comply with any applicable laws, Indian government rules or requirements, requests of law enforcement, in compliance with any dispute resolution process; (3) to avoid any liability, civil or criminal, on the part of the .IN Registry, as well as its affiliates, subsidiaries, officers, directors, representatives and employees; (4) for violations of this Agreement; or (5) to correct mistakes made by Registry or any Registrar in connection with a domain name registration. The Registry also reserves the right to freeze a domain name during resolution of a dispute pending before arbitrator(s) appointed under Registry's Domain Name Resolution Policy and/or a court of competent jurisdiction"

That with this notice you are requested to provide proof/details of 1) How my clients registration of dpdpa.in domain name is destabilizing integrity and stability of .in registry, 2) Which government department or law enforcement department has disputed the registration of my client's domain name? 3) Which violations have been registered/reported against my client's domain name and by whom? 4) Which mistake registry has committed during the registration of this domain name?

That my client is using the domain name for imparting awareness of DPDPA act and is created a value for his credentials.

The registration of dpdpa.in by my client does not impede any department of the Government of India registering dpdpa.gov.in and using it for their requirement if any. There are also over 200 other

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gTLD extensions of the second level domain name 'dpdpa' and choosing only dpdpa.in for take over is discriminatory and arbitrary.

Your such arbitrary and unilateral act without providing any opportunity to my client is against principle of natural justice.

That we are expecting within 3 days, a confirmation of the dropping of the server lock and intention to initiate transfer with necessary clarification why our client was specifically targeted causing mental harassment and disruption of his activities.

We also that NO COERCIVE ACTION AS MENTIONED IN YOUR COMMUNICATION WILL BE INITIATED FROM YOUR END.

If any such coercive action is initiated, we give you notice that my client is entitled to avail all legal remedies (Civil/Criminal) against your organization as well as any of the individuals therein as per the instructions from my client.

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