

TRAINING WORKSHOP ON COMPETITION LAW OF INDIA

FOR LAW PROFESSIONALS

13-14, May 2006 (Saturday-Sunday) The Qutub Hotel, New Delhi, India Get the First Mover Advantage in Your Understanding of the Competition Law of India

Background

India has enacted a new competition law, "Competition Act 2002" to replace the Monopolies and Restrictive Trade Practices (MRTP) Act, 1969. However, the implementation of the new law ran into legal wrangles, requiring certain amendments. Now with the government introducing the Competition (Amendments) Bill in the ongoing budget session, it is expected that the new law and the Competition Commission of India would soon become operational.

While the Competition Act is set to become operational, there is not much understanding about the new law amongst the legal fraternity. Further, given the differences between the MRTP Act and the Competition Act (in their language and approach), even those with experience of working with the MRTP Act would need to develop their understanding of the Competition Act. This calls for a proper understanding of the Competition Act, so that law professionals can apply the same in their own work.

It is in this context that CUTS Institute for Regulation and Competition (CIRC), is offering this twoday customised training programme for law professionals.

Objectives

- Develop analytical capacities to comprehend Competition Law related issues
- Develop an understanding on compliance and procedural issues
- Understand jurisprudence that exists in other competition jurisdictions.
- Understand cases that discuss adjudications with an impact on interpretation of language in the Indian competition law

Content

- Competition Law of India MRTP Act 1969 vs Competition Act 2002, key provisions of the Competition Act
- *Basic Concepts* Relevant Market, Structure vs behavioural issues, per se vs rule of reason, different types of RBPs, horizontal, vertical.
- Anti-Competitive Agreements
- Combinations Regulation
- Abuse of dominance (Provisions in the Act, their interpretations with examples, legal procedures involved)
- Interface between Competition Authority and Sector Regulators
- *Cross-border competition issues*: Relevant provisions in the Act, interpretation with examples, the 'effects doctrine'



Resource Persons

The resource persons for the training programme comprise eminent experts, practitioners and academicians in the field of Competition Law, both from India and abroad.

Richard Whish

Professor of Law, King's College, London and Non-executive Director at the Office of Fair Trading, UK (a qualified solicitor and was a partner at Watson, Farley and Williams)

S. Chakravarthy

Advisor/Consultant on Competition Policy and Law and Former Member, MRTP Commission (one of the original drafters of the Competition Act, 2002)

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Programme Schedule is on our website

Who should attend

Lawyers in law offices, business houses, regulatory agencies and academicians

Course Fees

The fees will be Rs 20,000 per participant. Accommodation is not included in the fees. The fee is non refundable, though substitution is permissible on prior intimation.

What else do you get

- The training kit (including study materials)
- Competition Regimes in the World (compilation of competition regimes of 120odd countries in the world) worth US\$150
- Towards a Functional Competition Policy for India (presents a comprehensive review of competition policy and law scenario in India) worth US\$80
- Other publications of CUTS International
- Conference Lunch and Tea/Coffee

Venue

The Qutub Hotel

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For accommodation at the hotel, please let us know (we have negotiated a special tariff for participants)

How to Apply

The application form (CPS.03) is available on www.circ.in/forms.htm

The application along with bank draft (programme fee payable to Consumer Unity & Trust Society, Jaipur) should reach us at:



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