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The Hon'ble Court, after hearing submissions of Mr. Lalit Bhasin, was pleased to issue notice which was accepted by the counsel appearing on behalf of Respondent No.2 i.e. IPRS. The Hon'ble Court further directed FHRAI to indicate to Respondent No.2 IPRS as to what Special Events are the members of the FHRAI going to organize / hold and also about the royalty to be charged for such Special Events. Furthermore, the Hon'ble Court directed that once the entire amount is indicated to the Respondent No.2, the same be deposited by the Federation and its members within six weeks before the Registrar General of the Delhi High Court. This shall be subject to the outcome of the decision in the Writ Petition. The counsel appearing on behalf of Respondent No.2 submitted to the Court that the members of FHRAI should also provide a list of music / songs played at the Special Event to IPRS. However, the Hon'ble Court declined the aforesaid submission but has directed that all the special events can be observed by Respondent No.2 IPRS.

Accordingly, please note that your members can go ahead with holding the Special Event / New Year programme. However, the aforesaid details regarding the same will have to be furnished to IPRS and accordingly, the amount of royalty will have to be deposited in the Court later on.

As regards the demand raised by other Societies (Super Cassettes etc.) / Companies are concerned, no relief can be sought for from the Court at present since these other Societies are not party to the aforesaid petition and separate course of action has to be taken with regard to the same. Hence you may advise your members not to use the sound recordings of these other Societies/Companies.

Our bill in the matter shall follow shortly. We shall forward you a copy of the aforesaid order as and when we are in receipt of the same.

Thanking you,

Yours faithfully,

Bhasin & Co.

BHASIN & CO., ADVOCATES

Encl: as above

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