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THE PATENTS ENQUIRY COMMITTEE

To

THE HON'BLE MINISTER FOR INDUSTRY & SUPPLY,

NEW DELHI.

SIR,

By Resolution No. 223-IRP (6)/48, dated October 1, 1948 the Government of India, Ministry of Industry and Supply appointed a Committee to review the Patent Laws in India, with a view to ensure that the Patent System is made more conducive to national interests than at present.

- 2. The terms of reference to the Committee are as follows:—
 - (1) to survey and report on the working of the Patent System in India;
 - (2) to examine the existing Patent legislation in India and to make recommendations for improving it, particularly with reference to the provisions concerned with the prevention of abuse of patent rights;
 - (3) to consider whether any special restrictions should be imposed on patents regarding food and medicine;
 - (4) to suggest steps for ensuring effective publicity to the patent system and to patent literature, particularly as regards patents obtained by Indian inventors;
 - (5) to consider the necessity and feasibility of setting up a National Patents Trust;
 - (6) to consider the desirability or otherwise of regulating the profession of patent agents;
 - (7) to examine the working of the Patent Office and the services rendered by it to the public and make suitable recommendations for improvement; and
 - (8) to report generally on any improvement that the Committee thinks fit to recommend for enabling the Indian Patent System to be more conducive to national interest, by encouraging invention and the commercial development and use of inventions.
- 3. The following were appointed as members of the Committee:
 - (1) Dr. Bakshi Tek Chand, Retired High Court Judge and Member, Constituent Assembly of India.—Chairman.
 - (2) Shri Gurunath Bewoor, Tata Industries, Ltd.—Member.
 - (3) Major General S. S. Sokhey, Director, Haffkine Institute, Bombay.—Member.
 - (4) Shri S. M. Basu, Solicitor, Calcutta.—Member.
 - (5) Mr. N. Barwell, Barrister, Calcutta.—Member.