HIGH COURT OF DELHI: NEW DELHI

(IT Cell)

No. 721/IT-CELL/DHC Date: 26.07.2024

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The "e-Filing Rules of the High Court of Delhi, 2021" is also available on the website of Delhi High Court under "e-Filing" link.

As directed by the Authority, all the concerned Advocates/litigants are hereby again directed that all the Plaints, Petitions, Appeals, Applications, Documents, etc. being filed in Delhi High Court through Online e-Filing System must be prepared by the concerned Advocate/litigant as per "e-Filing Rules of the High Court of Delhi, 2021" as also other applicable Rules & directions and it shall be specifically ensured that the PDF file is in Optical Character Recognition (OCR-enabled) searchable PDF or PDF/A format and scanning of all the pleadings, pages or documents have been done by using an image resolution of 300 DPI in OCR searchable mode. The Advocates/litigants are directed to not to upload any screenshots of the any pleading/page/document.

The above directions should be followed scrupulously by all concerned.

-Sd/-(H.K. Arora) Registrar (IT) for Registrar General

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(Rajeev Kumar Chauhan)

Joint Registrar (IT)

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