

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF INDIA

CIVIL APPELLATE JURISDICTION

CIVIL APPEAL NO. _____ OF 2024
(arising out of SLP(C) No. 22460 of 2024)

ANIL KHOSLA

APPELLANT(S)

VERSUS

NIFD INSTITUTE OF FASHION DESIGN
LIMITED & ORS.

..... RESPONDENT(S)

with

CIVIL APPEAL NO. _____ OF 2024
(arising out of SLP(C) No. 22550 of 2024)

O R D E R

Leave granted.

Pursuant to the last hearing, the learned Senior Advocate appearing for Nurturing Ideas for Design Private Limited has shown us a few options. We feel that Option No. 3 is not identical or similar to the trademark used by NIFD Institute of Fashion Design Limited¹. Both marks are shown below:-

Option No. 3:



Trademark of INIFD:



1 “INIFD”, for short

We are inclined to dispose of the present appeals recording that Nurturing Ideas for Design Private Limited will take steps and use the said abbreviation and mark, given as Option No. 3. Immediate changes which can be made to use the said abbreviation/mark will be made. Where any legal formalities are required, steps in that regard will be taken within 45 days from today.

We, however, clarify that this order will not, in any way, affect the issues pending *inter se* the parties before the National Company Law Tribunal as well as the High Court of Punjab and Haryana at Chandigarh, wherein a challenge has also been made to the maintainability of the appeal.

The impugned order, which is an interim order, is accordingly clarified. The same will be read in terms of the present order. The appeals are disposed of in the above terms.

We also clarify that the observations made in this order will not be treated as findings on the merits of the disputes *inter se* the shareholders and the right of the minority shareholders to file a civil suit etc.

Pending application(s), if any, shall stand disposed of.

.....J.
(SANJIV KHANNA)

.....J.
(SANJAY KUMAR)

NEW DELHI;
OCTOBER 04, 2024.

S U P R E M E C O U R T O F I N D I A
R E C O R D O F P R O C E E D I N G S

Petition for Special Leave to Appeal (C) No. 22460/2024

(Arising out of impugned final judgment and order dated 16-09-2024 in FAO No. 4382/2024 passed by the High Court of Punjab & Haryana at Chandigarh)

ANIL KHOSLA

Petitioner(s)

VERSUS

NIFD INSTITUTE OF FASHION DESIGN LIMITED & ORS.

Respondent(s)

(IA No.221244/2024-EXEMPTION FROM FILING C/C OF THE IMPUGNED JUDGMENT)

WITH

SLP(C) No. 22550/2024 (IV-B)

(IA No.222246/2024-EXEMPTION FROM FILING C/C OF THE IMPUGNED JUDGMENT)

Date : 04-10-2024 These matters were called on for hearing today.

CORAM :

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANJIV KHANNA
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANJAY KUMAR

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Mr. Shevaaz Khan, Adv.

UPON hearing the counsel the Court made the following
O R D E R

Leave granted.

The appeals are disposed of in terms of the signed order.

Pending application(s), if any, shall stand disposed of.

(DEEPAK GUGLANI)
AR-cum-PS

(R.S. NARAYANAN)
ASSISTANT REGISTRAR

(signed order is placed on the file)