

## **Advertisement for Arbitrators**

### **About NIXI**

Internet Domain Names worldwide have assumed great significance in recent times with the Internet increasingly being used as an effective medium for communication, governance, education and commerce. The system of registration of Internet Domain Names can facilitate the proliferation of Internet in a country. Many countries have, therefore, adopted liberal and market friendly policies to register large number of Domain Names under their country code, broadly consistent with globally accepted policy and procedures of Domain registration.

In order to bring about a substantially increased proliferation of .IN domain names, a .IN Internet domain name policy framework and implementation plan has been formulated and the policy was announced by the Government in October 2004. In January 2005, the Ministry of Communications and Information Technology, through the Department of Electronics and Information Technology (DeitY) and National Internet Exchange of India (NIXI) took the important step of setting up a state-of-the art, hardware and software and relaunched the .IN country code top level domain (ccTLD) Registry. The NIXI has been promoted by the Department of Electronics and Information Technology (DeitY), in association with the Internet Service Providers Association of India (ISPAI) as a Not-for-Profit Company under Section 25 of the Indian Companies Act, 1956 with the objective of facilitating improved Internet services in the country. The entire process of domain name registration is online. The opening of the .IN Registry has significantly improved and broadened the availability of the domain names. Between January 2005 to August 2013, registration of .IN domains has grown from 6,500 names to about 1.31 million. Presently 41 ISPs with 99 connections are connected with various NOCs (Network Operation Centers) of NIXI.

Presently, more than 97 registrars have been accredited to offer .IN domain name registration worldwide to customers. Two Data Centers have been established in Delhi and Mumbai. NIXI has been authorised by the Government of India to act as the National Internet Registry (NIR) for India to obtain, manage, allocate, recover and re-allocate and re-farm the Internet Resources and to act as Registry for any IDN ccTLD (International Domain Names country code Top Level Domain) in any official language. NIR is an entity under the umbrella of a Regional

Internet Registry (RIR) which is Asia Pacific Network Information Centre (APNIC). NIXI is recognised by APNIC in March 2012 to become the NIR for the country.

**For resolving the domain name disputes pertaining to the .IN domains the NIXI has evolved an Dispute Resolution mechanism namely .INDRP (.IN Domain Name Dispute Resolution Policy) based on The Arbitration & Conciliation Act, 1996 (26 of 1996) and the principles given under the Uniform Dispute Resolution Policy (UDRP) adopted by Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers (ICANN).**

The .IN Domain Name Dispute Resolution Policy and Procedures are available at **Dispute Resolution**

In pursuance of the .INDRP, NIXI proposes to appoint a additional panel to the existing panel of Arbitrators. Accordingly NIXI invites applications from potential candidates who are interested to act as Arbitrators for .IN in accordance with the .IN Domain Name Dispute Resolution Policy (INDRP) and Procedures and who fulfill the eligibility criteria as given hereunder.

## **2. Eligibility criteria**

Each applicant, who wishes to be considered for inclusion on INDRP Panel Listing, must submit documentary proof to INDRP Panel Selection Committee of the following details:

- a) Should be a citizen and resident of India,
- b) Should be an Advocate enrolled with the Bar Council of India or a law graduate from an institute recognised by the Bar Council of India, having minimum 4 years' experience in the field of arbitration, including Dispute Resolution of Domain Names, and
- c) Must have appeared in atleast 4 cases of arbitration with specific reference to Dispute Resolution of Domain Names,
- d) Should be an Income Tax payee.
- e) Should not have been convicted by a court of Law for criminal and / or civil misdemeanour, which calls into question the applicant's ability to act as a panellist.

Interested applicants are required to submit the Application Form (available in the website), which should include:

- Name and contact details
- Educational background
- Present and past professional experience
- Membership of professional organizations and associations, if any.
- Whether involved in any criminal case; if yes, give details.
- Any additional information supporting the application
- Documents (self-attested) Required: All documents in support of the application, such as copy of Photo ID Card, certificates of educational qualifications, professional qualifications, etc. should be submitted along with the application.

### **Other information**

Selected panellist(s) shall have to furnish a Statement of Acceptance and abide by NIXI's Code of Conduct for Arbitrators.

Further, selected panellist(s) shall be asked to furnish the original documents at the time of appointment.

NIXI reserves the right to reject any application or to discontinue the services of any panel in its sole discretion without assigning any reason whatsoever.

One hard copy and one soft copy of completed application along with all the relevant enclosures shall be sent to the below address by post and email on or before 15<sup>th</sup> January 2014.

Applications received after this date shall not be considered. NIXI shall not be responsible for any postal delays.

The name and particulars of selected candidates shall be displayed at **<http://www.registry.in/>**

Applications shall be sent to the following address:

.IN Registry  
c/o NIXI (National Internet exchange of India)  
Regd. Office: Flat No. 6B, 6<sup>th</sup> Floor, Uppals M6 Plaza,  
Jasola District Centre,  
New Delhi 110 025  
India.  
Tel: +91 11 48202000 & 48202030

Fax: +91 11 48202013

E-Mail: **registry@nixi.in** & **legal@nixi.in**

Website: **www.nixi.in**