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Rule 19F

Indian International Preliminary Examining Authority

- (1) The Patent Office, Delhi branch shall perform the functions of the International Preliminary Examining Authority under the Treaty in accordance with an agreement between the Indian Patent Office and the International Bureau.
- (2) The Examining Authority referred to in sub-rule (1), shall establish-
- (a) the International Preliminary Examination Report in respect of all international applications electing India as an International Preliminary Examining Authority;
 - (b) the International Preliminary Examination Report in respect of the demands filed by the nationals or residents of other countries in accordance with an agreement between Indian Patent Office and the International Bureau, upon being notified by the International Bureau;
 - (c) the International Preliminary Examination in respect of demands made by the nationals or residents of other countries not party to the Treaty or not bound by Chapter II of the Treaty, if the Assembly has so approves.

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