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With reference to the RQ No. 2733/RQ-CHE/2010 Dated 20/04/2010 in the above mentioned application
a) for Grant of Patent . Examination has been conducted under Section 12 and 13 of the Patents Act 1970 ,
The following objections are hereby communicated

b) Objections :

1 Claim 1 does not define the invention clearly. The claim should be in a single sentence and should define the scope of the invention clearly.

2 Notwithstanding above mentioned objection, Claim 1 is not patentable u/S 3(e) of the Patents Act, 1970 as they relate to a mere admixture lacking support in the description for synergistic interaction between **the constituents.**

3 **Claim 1 is not patentable u/S 3(p) of the Act as it relates to Traditional knowledge. Refer the list of documents with date of publication (PRIOR ART) in enclosed TKDL documents D1: RG2/1577, D2: RG9/93, D3:RG9/59A, D4: AN2/172S, D5:AK7/108, D6:NA4/141, D7:AK9/1007A, D8: JA3/139B, D9: NA4/3373, D10:NA4/3208, D11: AH5/174C, D12:RG2/971, D13:AT/192, D14: MH5/3059, D15:AK11/2822, D16: AB/864, D17 :AH5/2115B, D18:AH5/ 261 A.**

4 **Claim 1 lacks inventive step u/S 2(1)(ja) of the Act in view of cited documents. D1:(pg. no. 7-8) refers to a formulation containing saffron crocus (Crocus sativus Linn.) as a single ingredient used as Complexion promoting.**

D2:(pg. no. 9-10) refers to a formulation containing licorice (Glycyrrhiza glabra Linn.) as a single ingredient used as Complexion promoting.

D3:(pg. no. 11-12) refers to a formulation containing indian madder (Rubia cordifolia Linn.) as a single

ingredient used as Complexion promoting.

D 4:(pg. no. 13-14) refers to a formulation containing Sacred basil (*Ocimum sanctum* Linn.) as a single ingredient used as complexion enhancer through local application.

D5:(pg. no. 15-16) refers to a formulation containing (*Berberis asiatica* Roxb.) as a single ingredient used as Complexion promoting.

D6:(pg. no. 17-18) refers to a formulation containing *Curcuma longa* and *Pterocarpus santalinus* used as complexion promoting through local application.

D7:(pg. no. 19-20) refers to a formulation containing *Acorus calamus* Linn. and *Symplocos racemosa* along with one other ingredient used for the treatment of *Acne vulgaris* through local application.

D8:(pg. no. 21-22) refers to a formulation containing cinnamon (*Cinnamomum zeylanicum* Blume) along with one other ingredient used for the treatment of *Acne vulgaris* through local application.

D9:(pg. no. 23-25) refers to a formulation containing licorice (*Glycyrrhiza glabra* Linn.) along with two other ingredients used for the treatment of *Acne vulgaris* through local application.

D10:(pg. no. 26-28) refers to a formulation containing *Curcuma longa* along with one other ingredient used for the treatment of *Acne vulgaris* and as complexion enhancer through local application.

D11:(pg. no. 29-31) refers to a formulation containing *Rubia cordifolia* Linn., *Pterocarpus santalinus* and *Symplocos racemosa* along with two other ingredient used for the treatment of *Acne vulgaris* through local application.

D12:(pg. no. 32-34) refers to a formulation containing *Acorus calamus* Linn., *Symplocos racemosa*, *Vetiveria zizanioides* and *Curcuma longa* along with few other ingredients used as complexion promoting through local application.

D13:(pg. no. 35-36) refers to a formulation containing cinnamon (*Cinnamomum zeylanicum* Blume) along with two other ingredient used as Complexion promoting through local application.

D14:(pg. no. 37-39) refers to a formulation containing garden cucumber (*Cucumis sativus* Linn.) along with few other ingredients used as complexion enhancer through local application.

D15:(pg. no. 40-43) refers to a formulation containing *Crocus sativus* Linn., *Vetiveria zizanioides*, *Pterocarpus santalinus*, *Curcuma longa*, *Berberis aristata*, *Rubia cordifolia*, *Glycyrrhiza glabra*, and *Symplocos racemosa* along with few other ingredients used for the treatment of *Acne vulgaris* and as complexion promoting, Lusture promoting through local application.

D16:(pg. no. 44-47) refers to a formulation containing *Crocus sativus* Linn., *Vetiveria zizanioides*, *Pterocarpus santalinus*, *Curcuma longa*, *Berberis aristata*, *Rubia cordifolia*, *Glycyrrhiza glabra*, *Symplocos racemosa*, *ocimum sanctum* and *Acorus calamus* along with few other ingredients used for the treatment of *Acne vulgaris* and as lusture promoting through local application.

D17:(pg. no. 48-49) refers to a formulation containing Indian aloe (*Aloe barbadensis* Mill.) along with few other ingredients used for the treatment of *Acne vulgaris* through local application.

D18:(pg. no. 50-52) refers to a formulation containing *Curcuma longa* and *Aloe barbadensis* along with few other ingredients used for the treatment of *Acne vulgaris* through local application.

It would have been obvoius to a person skilled in the art to have arrived at the instantly claimed composition from the teachings of the prior art documents.

5 Claim 1 is not fully supported by the description,with working example for composition and its preparation, as required u/s 10 (4) and 10 (5) of the Patents Act, 1970.

6 Attention of the applicant is invited towards Section 6 of Biodiversity Act, 2002 which mandates that if biological material procured from India is used in an application for patent, permission and other information for making application for patent should be obtained from the National Biodiversity Authority. Relevant application form (Form 3, Rule 18) for such permission is available in website of National Biodiversity Authority. Form 1 of Patent Act should be completed w.r.t column 9 (iii). Source and geographical origin of the biological material used should be given in the specification in accordance with section 10(4)(d).

Title of the complete specification should be amended in conformity with the claim amendments so as to make it consistent with the amended claims, if any.

7 While filing amended claims (if any) the applicant should at the same time bring the description into conformity with the amended claims. Care should be taken during revision, not to add subject matter,

which extends beyond the content of the application as originally filed. If any corrections/amendments is made in any page of the specification that page should be freshly typed and filed in duplicate along with a marked copy clearly highlighting the corrections/amendments made.

8 Form-1 submitted is not complete as the declarations given in paragraph 9 (iii) of Form-1 are not marked/ticked, especially for biological material. Therefore, the correct and complete Form-1 (as prescribed in the Patent Rules, 2003) should be filed in the prescribed manner by filing Form-13 for correction.

9 Details regarding the search and/or examination report including claims of the application allowed, as referred to in Rule 12(3) of the Patent Rule, 2003, in respect of same or substantially the same invention filed in all the major Patent offices along with appropriate translation where applicable, should be submitted within a period of Six months from the date of receipt of this communication as provided under section 8(2) of the Indian Patents Act.

10 Details regarding application for Patents which may be filed outside India from time to time for the same or substantially the same invention should be furnished within Six months from the date of filing of the said application under clause(b) of sub section(1) of section 8 and rule 12(1) of Indian Patent Act.

c) You are requested to comply with the objections by filing your reply by way of explanation and/or amendments within 12 months from the date of issue of FER failing which your application will be treated as "Deemed to have been abandoned" under section 21(1) of the Act. The last Date is 26/11/2015.

d) You are advised to file your reply at the earliest so that the office can further proceed with application and complete the process within the prescribed period.

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