

# **IBLJ Indian Law Firm Awards 2021 Announced**

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We are pleased to announce that we have been recognized as Firm of the Year in multiple categories by India Business Law Journal in IBLJ Indian Law Firm Awards 2021. This recognition is a testament to the hard work, excellence and fighting spirit of India's legal community.

The firm's work has been recognized in the following categories:

## **Intellectual Property Enforcement**

While speaking of the firm's work in IP Enforcement IBLJ says,

"Anand and Anand is a formidable presence in IP, both in terms of enforcement and protection of rights. "We have used Anand in numerous patent litigations involving our top products for almost 20 years," says Shahan Islam, senior corporate counsel at Pfizer. "In all cases necessary, they have given due attention to the matter, including a great assessment of what our business needs are, and how we can use negotiations, as well as the tribunals and courts, to achieve our objective."

Last year, the firm handled 150 customs cases for brands such as Louis Vuitton, Cartier, Montblanc, Chanel, Hermes, Dior, Givenchy, Kenzo, Apple, Sony, Nokia, Microsoft and Ferrero. It also achieved more than 1,800 successful oppositions, with decisions that safeguarded the interests of multiple brands including Facebook, WhatsApp, Bridgestone, Dolby, Volvo and Mars.

The law firm handled a series of pharma patent cases filed on behalf of AstraZeneca and conducted raids with an ayurvedic drug inspector to seize counterfeit Himalaya sanitizers in Ludhiana. Clients recommend managing partner Pravin Anand, as well as MS Bharat, Shrawan Chopra, Tusha Malhotra, Prem Chander and Archana Shanker. Pravin Anand is "an expert on copyright law" and "has a heart together with being the thorough professional and expert that he is", says Sanjay Tandon, CEO of the Indian Singers' Rights Association. Anand and Anand also wins awards for IP property protection and pharma & life sciences."

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# **Intellectual Property Protection**

IBLJ mentions that our firm is one of the "only two law firms that are recognised for excellence in both IP enforcement and IP protection." Read more



### Pharma & Life Sciences

Here's what IBLJ says about the firm's ranking for Pharma & Life Sciences

"Anand and Anand has filed 2,900 national patents with a patent grant rate of 97%. The firm has been a part of several pharmaceutical cases, which involved convoluted aspects of genus and species patents including 12 matters filed by AstraZeneca against drug makers such as Ajantha, Natco, Torrent, Emcure and Micro Labs for infringement of AstraZeneca's patent rights over diabetic drug Dapagliflozin."

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### Media & Entertainment (Anand & Anand & Khimani)

While speaking of Anand & Anand & Khimani's work in Media and Entertainment, IBLJ says,

"Anand & Anand & Khimani is a full-service firm, which has cultivated an impressive media practice under the leadership of co-founder Priyanka Khimani. The firm offers expertise on intellectual property, media and entertainment, technology, dispute resolution, general corporate advisory and investments. Khimani has represented celebrities such as singers Lata Mangeshkar and Sonu Nigam, and other musicians, actors and artists. Khimani's advice is often sought on coveted service and product launches, market entry by foreign multinationals, as well as commercially tactical M&A in the entertainment and technology sector. She is a core adviser as member of the board of the Canadian blockchain music company Beatdapp, and is the chairperson of Women In Music, India, a global non-profit organisation dedicated to championing the female voice across global music spaces."

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