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Regulation of online games in Tamil Nadu

The Government of Tamil Nadu has <u>released</u> the Tamil Nadu Prohibition of Online Gambling and Regulation of Online Games Act, 2022 ("**Tamil Nadu Act**").

The Tamil Nadu Act is substantially the same as the Prohibition of Online Gambling and Regulation of Online Games Ordinance, 2022, which was promulgated by the Governor of Tamil Nadu on October 3, 2022. For a detailed analysis, please refer to the JSA Prism of November 3, 2022.

The Tamil Nadu Act will take effect on a date which will be notified by the Government of Tamil Nadu which is expected once the Tamil Nadu Online Gaming Authority is set up.

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With the advent of the Internet, mobile gaming, eSports and the proliferation of sports wagering we represent technology providers for internet and mobile gaming, various operators and payment solution companies seeking to work with and form partnerships with this industry. Our lawyers have substantial experience in all facets of gaming laws, covering a range of issues confronted by our clients within the industry, including those related to technology, equipment, and faced by service provider to the industry. Additionally, our teams support clients in regulatory and compliance matters, including assisting our clients in obtaining regulatory approvals, drafting internal compliance procedures and, conducting internal investigations in connection with alleged regulatory violations. In recent years, JSA has built a niche in advising online/mobile gaming, gambling and esports companies and technology providers. JSA also counsels such businesses in a range of corporate matters, including financings, mergers & acquisitions, labour and employment matters, and all facets of litigation.

JSA helps navigate all the complexities of the industry, and our experience stretches across the complete spectrum of gaming and esports, including: (a) Interactions with regulatory bodies; (b) Structuring and negotiating agreements between the various parties involved in this highly regulated industry; (c) Advising on the aspects of a game may categorize it to be gambling; (d) Drafting terms and conditions of a game, mobile gaming applications, e-sport tournaments and other such events/competitions; (e) Advising on compliance matters, including regulations in internet and mobile gaming; (f) Conducting and supporting internal audits, investigations and diligence exercises.

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