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Registry of Patents

Circular No. 7/2022: Excluded Days and Alternative Filing Mode Via FormSG

## **Excluded Days and Alternative Filing Mode Via FormSG**

(Circular No. 7/2022, dated 8 June 2022)

## **Excluded Days**

The Registrar has issued Registries Practice Direction (No. 4 of 2022) to specify 9 to 10 June 2022 and 13 to 17 June 2022 as excluded days.

This means that the period from 9 June 2022 to 19 June 2022 (both dates inclusive), taking into account Saturdays and Sundays falling within that period<sup>1</sup>, will be a period of excluded days.

## **Alternative Filing Mode Via FormSG**

IPOS Digital Hub remains the default filing mode but we understand that some users are facing issues with certain transactions. IPOS is providing an alternative filing mode (FormSG) to carry out such transactions in the meantime. Please refer to the announcement section of IPOS Digital Hub for more details.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> <u>Practice Direction No. 1 of 2009</u> and <u>Practice Direction No. 1 of 2019</u> (on hours of business and excluded days) specify that i) all Saturdays shall be excluded days for any business under the Patents Act 1994 and Rules, the Trade Marks Act 1998 and Rules, the Registered Designs Act 2000 and Rules, the Plant Varieties Protection Act 2004 and Rules, the Geographical Indications Act 2014 and Rules 2019, where the time for doing the business expires on that date and where the business was not done on that date, and ii) all Sundays and public holidays shall be excluded days for all purposes under the Patents, Trade Marks, Registered Designs, Plant Varieties Protection and Geographical Indications Acts and their respective Rules.

