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Indigenous communities' contribution to the field of art, music, literature, etc., exhibits their connection to the culture and tradition. Such cultural and traditional expressions, commonly known as "Folklore expressions" require to be protected to preserve their cultural identity and traditional practices. The aboriginal artists follow customary practices and are not aware of protection through Copyright and other Intellectual Property system. The copyright law protects original creations fixed in a tangible medium for a limited term. Folklore expressions inherent characteristics make copyright law a weak law to protect them. The article argues that copyright law is a failure in providing adequate protection to such expressions in the light of debates and discussions made in the international regime. **ASWINI ANJANA V**

● SURROGACY: Enablement or Exploitation?

The ever growing evolvement of the procreative technologies has catapulted Surrogacy into the forefront of debates worldwide. Views highlighting ethical, feminist and moral issues have been cited in this paper which would also be critically analysing the proposed Bill to regulate Surrogacy in India and how it is a grand step towards ensuring an awakening to this new social phenomenon.

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The ELR remains to be one of the most controversial topics under the International Centre for Settlement of Investment Dispute (ICSID) jurisprudence. The contested nature of the rule has produced divergent theoretical and analytical approaches to the question. The characterization of the rule varies from one tribunal decision to another, resulting in unpredictable legal implications. The present study seeks to examine the structure of legal reasoning of the ICSID tribunals regarding the principle of exhaustion of local remedies in the matters of jurisdiction and admissibility in general and in particular from the perspective of **the BITs signed by Turkmenistan**

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