Public opinion/comments/suggestions sought for the Surrogacy (Regulation) Amendment Rules, 2023:

The Surrogacy (Regulation) Rules, 2022 were notified in the Gazette of India on 21st June, 2022 and have been framed under section 50 of the Surrogacy (Regulation) Act, 2021 (47 of 2021). It is now proposed to formulate the Surrogacy (Regulation) Amendment Rules, 2023 and the same are hereby placed in this website today i.e. 9th March, 2023 to seek public comments/suggestions of stakeholders/any concerned within 15 days i.e. latest by 5:00 pm on the 24th of March, 2023. Comments may be sent on the following mail ID mohita[dot]saxena[at]gov[dot]in or sn[dot]jasra38[at]nic[dot]in

Objections or suggestion, if any may be addressed to the Joint Secretary to the Government of India, Ministry of Health and Family Welfare (Department of Health Research), 2nd Floor, IRCS Building, Red Cross Road, New Delhi;

The objections and suggestions, which may be received from any person with respect to the said Draft Rules before the expiry of the period specified above will be considered by the Central Government.

The document is:

Draft Surrogacy (Regulation) Amendment Rules, 2023

Government of India Ministry of Health and Family Welfare (Department of Health Research)

Draft Rules

New Delhi, 2023

1. (1) These rules may be called the Surrogacy (Regulation) Amendment Rules, 2023.

(2) They shall come into force from the date of their final publication in the Official Gazette.

2. In the Surrogacy (Regulation) Rules, 2022, in rule 2, after clause (a), the following clause shall be inserted, namely: -

(aa) "Couple of Indian Origin means the couple where both husband (male) and wife (female) are Overseas Citizens of India cardholders in accordance with the Acts/Rules/Instructions/Guidelines being followed by the Ministry of Home Affairs from time to time subject to fulfilment of various criteria as per the Surrogacy (Regulation) Act, 2021".

[F. No. U.11019/15/2022-HR]

GEETA NARAYAN, Jt. Secy.

Note: The Surrogacy (Regulation) Rules, 2022 were published in the Gazette of India, Extraordinary, Part II, section-3, sub-section (i) *vide* notification number G.S.R. 460 (E), dated the 21st June, 2022 and subsequently amended *vide* notification number G.S.R. 772 (E), dated the 10th October, 2022.