

COMPANIES ACT

Circular/Press Note

Changes in company name having small alphabets allowed

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- 1.** The Registrars of Companies (ROCs) will now allow company name changes starting with small alphabets like “i2 Technologies . . . Ltd.”, etc., as such names are being used increasingly by many companies in other countries. It shall, however, be ensured that the name starting with small alphabets does not have phonetic or visual resemblance to the name of a company in existence.
- 2.** In the past, the name-search for allowing names for companies used to be a manual search based on list of names already in existence on a particular date, names made available by different ROCs, which used to be circulated periodically.
- 3.** The name-search is no longer manual. It has become a computerised operation in all ROC offices. In view of this, some of the old constraints like alphabetical listing, which would be a restrictive factor in the manual system, do not exist under the present computerised system.