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Legal notices sent on phone messaging application [WhatsApp](#) will be treated as valid evidence in court. A legal notice received by an individual on their [WhatsApp](#) account will be treated same as receiving a physical copy of the notice.

Justice Gautam Patel, who was hearing the case, said

"For the purposes of service of notice under Order XXI Rule 22 of the Code of Civil Procedure, I will accept this. I do so because the icon indicators clearly show that not only was the message and its attachment delivered to the respondent's number but that both were opened as well."

According to the law, a legal notice can be served to an individual or firm via registered post or by visiting in person. However, this has changed in recent times after the enactment of the I-T Act, which recognises electronic communication such as e-mails and text messages as legal evidence.

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