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MANNAR THIRUMALAI NAICKER
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Pasumalai, Madurai-625004.**

**INAGURATION FUNCTION OF IPR CELL
&
A TWO DAY STATE LEVEL TECHNICAL WORKSHOP**

INTELLETUAL PROPERTY RIGHTS (IPR)

16.10.2023 & 17.10.2023

REPORT OF THE PROGRAMME:

Tamilnadu State Council for Science And Technology, Govt. Of Tamil Nadu, Chennai, Patent Information Centre Chennai, Information Technology, Forecasting and Assessment Council department Of Science & Technology, Govt. of India, Inaugurated IPR Cell in Mannar Thirumalai Naicker College (Autonomous), Pasumalai, Madurai.

The primary purpose of the IPRC is to protect and stimulate the development of innovations in technological science. The objectives of the IPR Cell are to strengthen and expand human resources and institutions for training, research, and skill-building in Intellectual Property (IP), to raise awareness about IP, to catalyze the commercialization of IP, and to promote respect for IP rights.

TNSCST and Mannar Thirumalai Naicker College jointly organized a Two-Day National Level Technical Workshop on **Intellectual Property Rights** from 16.10.2023 to 17.10.2023. 213 Teachers and Research Scholars from Government and Self Finance colleges in and around Madurai participated in this workshop. Totally 213 members were participated in this workshop.

The programme was started on 16.10.2023 with Tamil Thai Vazhthu. **Dr. A. Rama Subbiah sir, the Principal of Mannar Thirumalai Naicker College, Madurai**, welcomed all the dignitaries present and participants from various colleges. In his address he welcomed the guest, emphasized the benefits of intellectual property rights and the importance of establishment of IPR Cell in our institute.

Thiru. M. Vijayaragavan , the Secretary of Mannar Thirumalai Naicker College, Madurai felicitated the meeting. In his speech, he felicitated that this cell will provide support and guidance to all the faculty members, research scholars and students in protecting their inventions and creations indifferent forms of intellectual properties.

The Inaugural program was presided by **Dr.R.Srinivasan, Member Secretary, Tamilnadu State Council for Science and Technology, Chennai** who in his presidential speech mentioned the importance of scientific research and outcomes in terms of IPR and how the IPR policy of India helped the establishment of industries in India making our country as a best in the World. He also addressed

the importance of inventions to be patented. He encouraged young researchers and faculty members to patent their innovative works

Dr G Devika HOD, Department of Computer Science introduced the chief guest. The Chief Guest of the event was **Dr.Prof. N. Chandrasekar, Vice Chancellor, Manonmaniam Sundaranar University, Tirunelveli** highlighted that the patent is a recognition for an invention that satisfies the criteria of global innovation, and industrial application. He gave a brief account of the patent rights that India has missed in the past like Patent rights for neem and turmeric and what struggle it had to cancel them.

Mr. S. Thangapandiyan Joint Controller of Patent & Designs, Patent Office, Chennai, in his address, described the current scenario of intellectual property in India. He highlighted the importance of patents. He appreciated institute's efforts in establishing IPR Cell. The inaugural function ends with vote of thanks delivered by **Prof. C. Prabhu, Director, Mannar Thirumalai Naicker College, Madurai** .

SESSION 1

Title: Intellectual Property Rights (IPRs)-An Introduction Case studies And Discussion

Resource Person: Mr. S. Thangapandiyan Joint Controller of Patent & Designs, Patent Office, Chennai

This session described the introduction of IPR i.e., the fundamentals of patent awareness. Participants were advised to share their innovative ideas with professors and accomplish by avoiding mistakes and in overcoming fear of secrecy. He also suggested research scholars to concentrate on IOT research and patent. He clarified that a patent for a product could be obtained from any country and for product suitable for any country's atmosphere. A brief difference between copyrights and related rights, industrial property rights, patent, rights on design, trademark, geographical indicators was made. Effects of duplicate, documents required, claims on product and process, validity period of patent and so on were highlighted. He advised scholars to learn from persons who filed more patents. Also they have been taught how to use intellectual property laws in case of injustice and the legal options available in Indian judicial system

SESSION 2:

Title: Significance of Geographical Indication (GI) Registration

Resource Person: Dr.A.Usha Raja Nandhini,
Professor & Head Department of Biotechnology,
Mother Teresa Women's University, Kodaikanal.

This session conducted by Dr.A.Usha Raja Nandhini with real time implementation in Significance of Geographical Indication(GI) Registration, explained what exactly is Geographical Indication? and which all products have received the status of GI and what sort of benefits were obtained by GI to those product producers. The following contents were discussed elaborately. A product with a GI tag prohibits unauthorized usage of the goods and increases financial gain for the producers by exporting the product. The price of a GI product rises on the international market as exports rise.

She enlightened the success of acquisition of GI Registration, as a first step, the native product of Kodaikanal, where the University is situated, 'Kodaikanal Malai Poondu' (Kodaikanal Hill Garlic) has received its first Geographical Indication Registration. This was motivated the IPR Cell and the Department of Biotechnology to file application for 'Udangudi Panang Karuppatti' and "Aathangudi Tiles" as next products for GI Registration.

SESSION 3:

Title: Patents and Design System in India

Resource Person: Mr.A.Raja,
Deputy Controller of Patents and Designs,
PATENT AND DESIGN SYSTEM IN INDIA
Patent Office, Chennai

This session explain about the word 'patent' defined as an exclusive right or license that is granted by the government to a person who has invented something that could result in a new experience in today's world. The government gives us the authority to protect our product or the process of our manufacture by prohibiting anyone from copying, utilizing, and selling one's invention. It gives the inventor a kind of monopoly right on his invention. A patent is also available for improvement in their previous invention. In this session, a complete introduction on intellectual properties, intellectual property laws & their clauses. In this session, the students were taught about the Intellectual Property Rights & their principles. Also the faculties were given enough information about how to use this knowledge to proceed forward in a startup company.

SESSION 4:

Title: Case Studies & Discussion of Sample Patent Applications

Resource Person: Mr.T.Srinivasan, Joint Partner Attorney,
Lakshmikumar & Sridharan,
Chennai

Writing a patent application is not as easy as many think. A brief detail on what can be patented, what documents are required and the detailed procedure for submitting

applications in the patent office was discussed by the expert. A complete information on intellectual properties like patent, copyright, trademark, design, trade secret etc was given. Also the speaker explained the difference between these topics, also the validity for each right, judicial laws available under each right & the limitations of each right.

SESSION 5 :

Title: Copyright and Plagiarism Project Scientist,

Resource Person: Ms.S.Gomathi Padma Thilaga,

Project Scientist,

Patent Information Centre,

TNSCST, Chennai

This session describes that the participants in order to check their understanding of plagiarism. An introduction to fair use and fair dealing, remedies of copyright infringement, assignment of copyright, meaning and effects of plagiarism brought a thorough understanding among the participants. An interaction highlighting the interesting case studies on battle for royalty, battle for moral rights and battle for ownership were shared with. The protocols of obtaining patents and copy rights in India were explained in detail. A list of the legal framework in India and other related concepts were also discussed. She concluded her session by giving a detailed and comprehensive list of items which can be protected. She concluded her session by giving a detailed and comprehensive list of items which can be protected.

SESSION 6:

Title: Tools for Patent Search

Resource Person: Ms.P.Hema Project Scientist,

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Mam gave a brief idea about the support that will be rendered to the college from Patent information Centre. An applicant can use a combination of any of the search techniques mentioned above. Keyword search still remains one of the most

effective and efficient searches to produce relevant results. Initially, when starting off with the patent search process, an applicant can use free search tools and freely available databases such as USPTO, Google Patents, Free Patents Online, E-spacenet etc. However, paid patent search databases are advanced in terms of automatically identifying synonyms and concepts, making keyword search strings independently, running the searches etc. Once the applicant has collected considerable relevant patent literature, the management of this information and data can become confusing. Tables, charts, organizers etc., help in keeping a tab on the information generated via the patent searches. It might even be useful to use the cluster technique to cluster documents with the same themes in one group. Some of the paid patent search databases also organize the data into an easily accessible form.

The program was concluded by valedictory session in presence of **Er. E. Rajagopal, The President & Dr. A. Rama Subbiah, Principal of Mannar Thirumalai Naicker College, Madurai, Dr. G. Devika, IPR Cell Coordinator and Ms.R.Vasuki, Event Coordinator**, where each participant was awarded by a Certificate of Participation.

Ms.R.Vasuki, Event Coordinator delivered the Vote of thanks. She expressed her heart felt gratitude to the honourable Member Secretary , TNSCST **Dr.R.Srinivasan** for his constant support in all the endeavors to the management and Principal for their motivation to organize such events, TNSCST for their support and guidance, then to the guest speakers for creating awareness among the participants and final to the faculty and students of Mannar Thirumalai Naicker College for their endless help and support

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BENEFICIARIES

This is crucial as it encourages researchers to invest in new discoveries as they can protect their intellectual property rights. The Workshop was highly informative to Faculties and Research Scholars. Industry people also participated. Faculties from other Colleges and departments were also participated in this workshop. In short, the workshop provided valuable awareness and Insight on the various aspects of IPR and Patent Filing.

KEY RESULTS

This workshop provided support to researchers in the form of guidance, resources and assistance in navigating the complex landscape of intellectual property rights . Patent Filing and Commercialization topic highlighted the importance of getting a patent for the product, advantage and disadvantage of getting a patent i.e., obtaining patent exclusively enables investment and gives higher returns on investment, gives strong enforceable legal rights and makes invention tradable and the longevity time and money consuming process. Claims and patents allowed in different countries and significance of commercialization and prior-art search (defines the scope of claims of patent) were also deliberated upon. A detailed explanation about patent specification and content of specification was made and highlights of amendments in patent rules 2021 was shared among the participants.

Copyright and Plagiarism Project Scientist, Patent Information Centre, TNSCST began by first posing questions to the participants in order to check their understanding of plagiarism. An introduction to fair use and fair dealing, remedies of copyright infringement, assignment of copyright, meaning and effects of plagiarism brought a thorough understanding among the participants. An interaction highlighting the interesting case studies on battle for royalty, battle for moral rights and battle for ownership were shared with.

WORKSHOP OUTCOME

The outcome of workshop was that the faculties got awareness on the importance of Intellectual Property Rights (IPR) and the procedure to draft a Patent and filing the patent. They got an idea of how these patents can also be commercialized with the help of the institution. It created a great impact on the entire audience. Faculties and scholars were taught on how IPR restricts copying others' ideas and how this will help the development of new ideas for the betterment of the society.

Faculties and scholars learnt how IPR provides total control over a new innovation and its creator. They were also given a platform to discuss how small innovations influence societies at large and how they should indulge in innovating and patenting ideas that will be useful for all the classes of individuals in the society.

The need for IPR, life sciences aspects of intellectual property, patent system in India, trademark management in Realtime applications, procedure of patent filing, tools for patent searching, role of government in intellectual property promotion and facilitation were addressed.

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REGISTRATION



Inauguration Ceremony





SESSION 1



SESSION-II



SESSION-III



SESSION-IV



SESSION-V



SESSION-VI



Valedictory Ceremony



FEEDBACK FROM THE PARTICIPANTS

