# INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY (IP) CELL

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#### INTRODUCTION

Intellectual Property Right (IPR) is a set of exclusive rights protected by law which are accorded to creators over their creations for a certain period. An IP right holder can understand value from its intellectual assets by using it internally for processes or share it externally for goods and services to the customers; through legal mechanisms such as licensing.

In today's globally competitive environment, IP fosters economic growth and is becoming increasingly important. It powers the engines of prosperity fostering invention and innovation. Their increasing significance is forcing business organizations to actively manage it as a key driver for building and sustaining competitive advantages and attaining better performance.

# PURPOSE OF ESTABLISHING IP CELL

- ✓ Facilitate, encourage, promote and safeguard scientific inquiry, research pursuits and the academic freedom of the faculty, researchers and students;
- ✓ Provide a conducive environment for developing IP;
- ✓ Spread awareness about IP among its stakeholders;
- ✓ Facilitate, encourage, promote and safeguard scientific investigation and research;
- ✓ Establish an IPR management policy and procedural guidelines for making available to the public the inventions and discoveries carried out in the college;
- ✓ Frame standards for do's and don'ts for the stakeholders relating to inventions, discoveries and original works originating from the college;
- ✓ To facilitate incentives to the creators who take initiatives to transfer college IP to the public under this Policy;
- ✓ Enable the college to secure sponsored research funding at all levels of research;
- ✓ Make the college a prime academic research institution pursuing advocacy through dissemination of the benefits of IP originated from the College;
- ✓ Make the creator of IPR aware of the applicable laws and rules for ensuring their compliance;
- ✓ Enable the college to make beneficial use of such developed IP for the maximum possible benefit of the creators, the college, and the nation at large.

# **OBJECTIVES OF IP CELL**

- ✓ Arrange for the speedy processing and filling of applications for IP and to effectively implement the policy and guidelines in respect of IPRs;
- ✓ Facilitate protection of IP generated by its faculty, staff and students as results of their intellectual and scientific pursuits at the college;
- ✓ Promote IP Awareness in the region;
- ✓ Advocate IP management practices in universities so as to promote awareness among its faculty and students:
- ✓ Proactively create an environment for generating new knowledge through research and innovations in college;
- ✓ To promote academic freedom in creation of IP at college;
- ✓ To provide a single window reference system for all IPR issues relating to IP generated at college;
- ✓ To provide fair distribution of returns accruing from the commercialization of IPR;
- ✓ To possibly provide legal support to defend and protect the IPRs obtained against infringements.

#### COVERAGE OF IP CELL

- ✓ Patents
- ✓ Copyrights and related rights
- ✓ Trade Marks
- ✓ Geographical Indications
- ✓ Industrial Designs
- ✓ Layout Designs of Integrated Circuits
- ✓ Protection of Undisclosed Information
- ✓ Plants Varieties

#### NATIONAL IPR POLICY

According to the government, the National IPR Policy is a vision document that aims to create and exploit synergies between all forms of intellectual property (IP), concerned statutes and agencies. It sets in place an institutional mechanism for implementation, monitoring and review. It also aims to incorporate and adapt global best practices to the Indian scenario.

The IPR Cell under the Commerce Ministry in a move to build the socio-economic strata and protect innovations is advancing itself to put forth the technological developments at the core of the economy. The generation of IP largely takes place at the State level through industry, academia and individuals. Seven objectives of IPR Policy are IPR Awareness, Generation of IPRs, Legal and Legislative Framework, Administration and Management, Commercialization of IPRs, Enforcement and Adjudication, Human Capital Development

## INDUSTRY INSTITUTE INTERACTION

A continuous interaction between academia and industry would help in bridging the gap between skill sets required and the opportunities in IP. This will not only enhance the learning process but also awaken the industry expectations and enable in fostering further scope of the established cell.

## SCOPE OF IPR CELL

The overall scope is as defined in the purpose, objectives and coverage of the IP Cell. The focus area of the college IP Cell would aim mainly on Copyrights and GI. These aspects would be studied and worked upon pertaining to the geographic area of Nagpur covering especially the colleges under RTM Nagpur University, Industries and Agricultural institutions. The scope would be further extended to Vidarbha and other geographies in future.

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Vice Chancellors (All)

Subject: Establishment of IPR Cell in all State Universities

Dear Sir/Madam,

Intellectual Property creation and protection are critical issues for Research & Innovation in Higher Education. The State Project Directorate, RUSA organized intensive capacity building workshops on Intellectual Property Rights in collaboration with the Rajiv Gandhi National Institute for Intellectual Property Management (RGNIIPM), Nagpur. This initiative was taken to improve existing systems of IPR protection through developing human resources in the management of Intellectual Property Rights as an integral part of the innovation process, with adequate protection to our faculty & research students for their cutting edge research.

It has become imperative for our universities to scale up efforts to build a world class IPR infrastructure and ensure that IPR is used in the best national interest for more extensive innovative research, protection of research under IPR, technology transfer, wealth creation and overall benefit of the society.

With this view it is suggested that an IPR Cell should be set up in all the State Universities. Accordingly you are requested to establish an IPR Cell with a clear action, plan for its functioning by 16<sup>th</sup> January, 2017. This Cell will act as a Resource Centre to guide and support the faculty and students regarding patent and IPR issues in an ongoing manner.

The guidelines for setting up a running Centre are attached herewith as Annexure "A"

Yours sincerely,

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