

REPORT OF THE SEMINAR

Intellectual Property Rights: Emerging Issues and Challenges

Sponsored by: Director General Higher Education, Haryana, Panchkula

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One Day Inter-disciplinary National Seminar on “Intellectual Property Rights: Emerging Issues and Challenges” sponsored by Director General Higher Education, Haryana, Panchkula was organized on January 25, 2020. The seminar was jointly organized by the Central Library and Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) of the college. 135 delegates who included students, research scholars and teachers across different states of the nation i.e. Haryana, Punjab, Chandigarh, Uttarakhand, Himachal Pradesh and Rajasthan actively participated in the seminar. The seminar commenced at 10 o'clock. Organizing Secretary Dr. J. D. Chauhan welcomed the gathering. Dr. Rajinder Singh, Principal of the college inaugurated the seminar by lighting the ceremonial lamp and delivered the inaugural address. Dr. Chauhan introduced the Keynote Speaker and the Chief Guest to the participants by highlighting the achievements of their career.

Dr Balesh Kumar presented the idea of the seminar saying that Innovations and creativity are the new drivers of the world economy. Protection of Intellectual Property Rights (IPR) and its commercialization propagate innovative culture, profitability, market leadership and helps creation of wealth for both the individual and for the nation. Now the aggressive and targeted creation of intellectual property is the need of the hour. Intellectual property rights are the legally recognized exclusive rights to creations of the mind. Due to the growing importance of Intellectual Property laws in today's business and legal environment and the interest the subject has generated, it is imperative that academicians as well as the industrial community must train themselves to understand the fundamental concepts along with practical applicability of the IPR laws.

Chief Guest on the occasion, Prof. (Dr.) Manoj Kumar Joshi, Professor Dept. of Library & Information Science, Kurukshetra University, Kurukshetra, In-charge of University Library, KUK and Dr. Rahul Taneja, Scientist, Patent Information Center, Department of Science & Technology, Haryana, Panchkula were felicitated by Principal of the college with “Certificate of Honour -2020” for their outstanding contribution in their respective fields as well as for promotion of IPR awareness in academia and society.

Dr Rajinder Singh. Dr. Rahul Taneja in his keynote address talked

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in detail about Intellectual Property Right. The key objective of this lecture was to sensitize the participants about the basis of intellectual Property Rights and its role in enhancing the quality of research and innovation output.

The chief guest of the seminar, Prof. (Dr.) Manoj Kumar Joshi congratulated Dr Rajinder Singh (Principal) for organizing an awareness creating seminar. Dr Joshi in his presidential address focused mainly on the relevance of Intellectual Property Rights. He talked about copyright and its importance in the present education scenario. He said that certain exemptions are there in copyright act that allow us to copy the documents for the academic purpose. He also discussed the doctrine of fair use in copyright related issues. Dr Sushil Goswami, Seminar Coordinator & Convener, IQAC presented a vote of thanks.

Technical Session – I

The inaugural session ended at 11:00 a.m. After a short tea break, the first Technical session was started at 11:45 a.m. The 1ST technical session on “IPR: Issues & Challenges in Digital Era” was chaired by Dr. V.A. Athavale, Professor CSE, & Dean Engg., PIET, Panipat and co-chaired by Dr. O.P. Thakur, Dept. of Geology, KUK.

The session started with an excellent and interactive presentation on the topic “Role of Patent” by Dr Rahul Taneja once again. The different tools available for patenting were introduced in this session. The topics such as prerequisite and requirement for patentability were explained. The importance to file patents and the patent filing procedures were stressed in the presentation. Indian patent office was also introduced. The patent searches such as keyword based search, patent classification based search and structural based search were explored. Dr. Ashwini Siwal (Assistant Professor in I.P. & I.T. Laws, Faculty of Law, University of Delhi). He started by explaining the Copyright Issues in the Digital Era. The history of copyright, followed by the different types and the dual role played by copyrights were discussed. The talk gave a clear idea about the different rights granted by copyright. The topic of infringement of copyright was dealt with in detail. After some paper presentations, all the queries of the participants were answered and doubts were cleared.

Technical Session – II

The post lunch session on “**IPR Issues in Research,**

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Plagiarism and Research Ethics” was chaired by Dr. Dr. Rakesh Mohindra, Librarian, Dept. of Laws, Panjab University, Chandigarh and co-chaired by Dr. Rupesh Gaur, Librarian IGN College, Ladwa, General Secretary, HLA. Dr. Narender Kumar Chauhan (Assistant Librarian, Guru Jambheshwar University of Sc. & Tech. Hisar). The eminent speakers provided an overview about various facets of IPR. They discussed the issues related to the plagiarism and academic integrity of the researchers and teachers. UGC guidelines on plagiarism were discussed in details. The tools to check plagiarisms were also discussed and demonstrated. The seminar on IPR created great awareness among students, research scholars, faculty of Sanatan Dharma College and about the important concepts related to IPR, copyrights and patent issues. The programme included discussions on the importance of IPR and their protection, an overview on copyright systems in India, identification of IP, patenting tools, procedure, etc. After the talk papers were also presented by the participants.

CONCLUDING SESSION AND VALEDICTORY PROGRAMME:

Valedictory Function was started at 4.30 pm and the chief guest of the Valedictory Function was Dr. Anupma Arya, Principal, Arya Girls' College, Ambala Cantt. Ms Kavleen Bharej conducted this session and introduced the chief guest to the participants. Dr Arya was felicitated with “Certificate of Honour” for her outstanding contribution in the field of Higher Education. Ms Neetu Bakshi presented a detailed report of the seminar. Dr. Arya congratulated the organisers for successful organization of the seminar and appreciated the scholarly discourse held in the seminar. She also raised few questions over the copyright of ideas. She said many times we copy ideas of others or originated in mind of others and further propagate it claiming as our own original idea without citing or giving credit to the person who actually owned it. Dr. Balesh Kumar, Convener of the seminar proposed a vote of thanks to the participants and resource persons for their active participation sharing the valuable knowledge in the seminar. He also extended his sincere thanks to Director General Higher Education, Haryana for his financial support and Principal of the college Dr. Rajinder Singh for his able guidance, motivation and moral support. He also expressed his gratitude towards to the whole organizing team of the S.D. College which worked very hard to make the event a grand success. The seminar was concluded at 5.00 pm after tea.