

Organizing awareness Workshop/Seminar/Conference on Intellectual Property Rights

Introduction:

Intellectual Property Rights (IPR) play a key role in gaining an advantageous position in the competitive technological era for economic growth. India enjoys a large asset of R&D personnel and infrastructural facilities. Scientists and policy makers need more information, orientation and facilities for protecting the products of their intellectual powers. To achieve afore-said mandate, Patent Information Centre (PIC) has been set up as a joint project of Department of Science & Technology, Govt. of India and Haryana State Council for Science, Innovation & Technology (HSCSIT), Govt. of Haryana to boost up the growth of Intellectual Property Rights for the economic benefit of the state. The major objectives of the centre are to spread awareness about the importance of Intellectual Property Rights among Scientists, Researchers, Students, Faculty members to cater to the IPR needs of the state so as to create a strong IPR base in the state, to enhance the quality of R&D and to increase the number of Intellectual Property Registration from the state.

Intellectual Property Rights

Intellectual property (IP) is a legal concept which refers to creations of the mind for which exclusive rights are recognized.

- ↳ Patent: A patent is an exclusive right granted by the government to the owner of an invention, which is a product or a process, which prohibits others from making, using or selling that invention. Duration: 20 years (from the date of filing)
- ↳ Trademark: A trademark is a distinctive sign that identifies certain goods or services as those produced or provided by a specific person or enterprises. Duration: Unlimited (Renewed after every 10 years).
- ↳ Industrial Designs: It safeguards the appearance, style, design of the industrial object such as spare parts, textiles, furniture. Duration: 10 years (from the date of filing), can be renewed for further 5 years.
- ↳ Copyright: Copyrights are a set of exclusive rights granted by law to the creators and producers of forms of creative expression such as literary, musical and cinematographic works. Duration for literary works is life time of the author + 60 years, cinematographic films, records are 60 years and for Broadcasting is 25 years.
- ↳ Geographical Indication (GI): GI are signs used on goods that have a specific origin and possess qualities or a reputation that are due to place of origin. Duration: Unlimited (Renewed after 10 years)
- ↳ Trade Secrets: It may be confidential business information that provides an enterprise a competitive edge over its competitors. Duration: Indefinite

Objectives of Patent Information Centre:

- To create awareness on IPRs in the state & neighbouring regions of the centre.
- To facilitate patent searching and filing of various types of IPRs.
- To create IPR cells in the Universities of the state.
- Disseminating knowledge on IPRs through print media.
- To give special emphasis on students, rural innovators, start-ups and state government officers in enhancing their knowledge on IPRs through awareness programmes.

Activities of the Centre:

- Patent searching facilities to scientists, universities/educational institutions, R & D bodies, central or state government departments/agency, individuals.
- Technical support for filing and obtaining patents to scientists, universities/educational institutions, R & D bodies, central or state government departments/agency.
- IPR Training to students/research scholars.
- Advisory services and filing facilitations for Trademarks, Designs, Copyrights & Geographical Indications.
- Capacity building through awareness activities such as Workshops/Lectures/ Seminars.
- Providing updates on developments in the area of IPR.

Methodology:

The IPR awareness workshop/seminar/conference may be organized any time throughout the year. The universities/educational institutions should invite at least 2 experts specialized in IPR field for delivering lectures and for interaction with the students with the consultation of HSCST.

Financial Support:

To organize IPR awareness workshops, HSCST will provide financial support to the University/educational institutions for making various arrangements which includes TA/honorarium to the resource persons, refreshments, publicity/material and miscellaneous expenditure etc.

1. State University/Private University/Govt. Aided University/Institution of higher Education with Science Stream - Rs. 30,000/-
2. Colleges/ITIs/Polytechnics with Science/Medical/Engg Stream- Rs.20,000/-

General Guidelines

- The nodal officer appointed for organizing the IPR awareness programme by the university/institution should submit statement of expenditure and utilization certificate within two months after the conduct of the programme.
- The date of organizing the workshop/seminar/conference along with complete schedule should be furnished to HSCST well in advance by 2 months
- HSCST should be duly acknowledged in the programme “Supported by Haryana State Council for Science, Innovation & Technology, Department of Science & Technology, Govt. of Haryana, Bays No.35-38, Sector-2, Panchkula, Haryana” should be written in the banner and other publicity material etc.
- The detailed report should be sent to HSCST along with captioned photographs.
- The financial support will be released to the institution through electronic transfer (NEFT/RTGS).
- The Proforma may be submitted to the Secretary/EC, Haryana State Council for Science, Innovation & Technology, Department of Science & Technology, Govt. of Haryana, Bays no. 35-38, Sector-2, Panchkula-134112 superscribing the envelope “Proposal for organizing awareness programme on IPR”.
- The minimum number of participants in the IPR awareness programme should be 100.
- Funds shall be utilized in the same FY for which it is sanctioned.
- In case of inability to organize the programme, funds sanctioned may be returned with proper justification.
- Further, if some amount is left unspent after organizing the programme same may be returned immediately by demand draft/bankers cheque as the case may be in favour of Secretary/EC, Haryana State Council for Science, Innovation & Technology, Directorate of Science, Innovation & Technology, Govt. of Haryana, Bays no. 35-38, Sector-2, Panchkula-134112.