

## Report on the webinar on Intellectual Property rights conducted on 28<sup>th</sup> May 2021

A webinar on intellectual Property Rights: Emerging Issues ,Challenges and Human Rights was conducted on 28<sup>th</sup> May 2021. The workshop was organized by Internal Quality Assurance Cell, Smt.MM Shah Mahila Arts College, Kadi . The webinar was delivered Online through Google Meet where Over 250 participants attended the Workshop through online mode. Lt.Swati Nigam introduced about the speakers and handled the webinar ,Principal Dr.Hina .M.Patel Honour the Speakers with her speech.

The first speaker Dr. Sonia Dutta Sharma( Associate Professor of Law, MJRP University, Jaipur Rajasthan, Spoke on the topic of "Patents, Copyrights and Trademarks: Procedural and Legal Aspects". Her lecture started with an introduction to Intellectual Property Laws and spanned across the different disciplines related to IPR. She pointed out that IPR is no more confined to the legal fraternity, but has spread across all disciplines because of which it has an impact and significance on

arts, science, commerce, management and business. Patents copyright and trademarks have great significance not only in the uplifting the knowledge economy but also in fine-tuning it. She elucidated the meaning of intellectual use of traditional knowledge with an example of basmati rice case of 1997. She recalled the 1980's IPR laws in India. she gave an overview on the importance of legislation in the field of science and arts community, how innovation comes with different disciplines with collaboration research, marketing innovations etc. Speaker was impressed with the query of one of the participant on plagiarism and he gave the tips to reduce plagiarism while writing thesis and research articles.

Second speaker was Dr. Ankit Rami (I/C Principal D.T Law College Ahmedabad, Gujarat and he spoke on "Intellectual Property Rights: significance for Career Researchers". His presentation began with explaining the various aspects of IPR, what is Patent and copy right etc with videos along with power point presentation. He discussed in detail about the topics such as what is copyright?

What do we mean by author or creator?' etc. He cited interesting case studies like PepsiCo's withdrawal of the case filed against the Gujarat farmers, contribution of Dr. Tessy Thomas in Aeronautical Sytem, Dr. Raghunath Mashelkar and Oncologist Dr Vishal Rao and their discoveries. He discussed the matter with the instant camera story of Polaroid origin. He distinguished patentable and nonpatentable inventions in India and around world. He gave various examples of patents in life sciences. The procedure for the application of patents and the various steps of granting of patents were described. He concluded the session by explaining about procedure for applying patents with an example of recent 'Monkey selfie' case over the image copyright and trade secret. He was impressed with the participants' queries.

The workshop was concluded with vote of thanks by Dr.Sangeeta C.Acharya. The Workshop was highly informative to students, teachers and research scholars. Teachers and students from other departments, colleges, universities and research institutes from different parts of India participated in the webinar. Thus webinar provided valuable awareness and insights on the various aspects of IPR.

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