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**Intellectual Property Rights Cell** 

On the occasion of

## World Intellectual Property Rights Day

Organizes

NATIONAL CONFERENCE ON

# "TRANSFORMING DIMENSIONS OF IPR- PROBLEMS AND PROSPECTS OF INFORMATION AGE"

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## About Marathwada Mitra Mandal-

'Marathwada Mitra Mandal', the charitable trust is established in 1967 in Pune with the objective of providing accommodation facilities to the students. Being established through an inspiration of socially and educationally charged personalities, it serves with a motto 'Yethe Bahutanche Hit' (Welfare of Masses). At its various educational campuses, excellent facilities of education are provided to more than 12000 students pertaining to Architecture, Management, Law, Commerce, Pharmacy and Engineering etc. Recently, the Marathwada Mitra Mandal's four colleges are accredited with 'A' Grade by NAAC, Bengaluru.

## About Shankarrao Chavan Law College-

To nurture future lawyers with the ideals and values required for playing a constructive role to create a better world, in 2003, Shankarrao Chavan Law College was established. The college organizes a wide range of co-curricular activities such as Hon'ble Late Justice P. B. Sawant National Moot Court Competition, Late Shri Shankarrao Chavan Elocution Competition, Hon'ble Shri Shankarrao Chavan National Legislative Drafting Competition etc., to name a few. The college has established various research centres which include the Centre for Advanced Legal Research & Training (CALRT), the Centre for Academic Research, Publication and E-content in Law (CARPEL), Intellectual Property Rights Cell, Centre for Law, Public Policy & Governance (CLPPG), Centre for Alternative Dispute Resolution (CADR) for training the students on various legal issues and inculcating various skill-sets amongst them including research as well.



## About Intellectual Property Rights Cell (IPR Cell) -

In last two decades with the establishment of WTO and TRIP's Agreement, Intellectual Property Rights have became new significant area of discussion. Intellectual Property Rights have its international and domestic implications. To create awareness about these rights and to sensitize students about their importance, SCLC has established Intellectual Property Rights Cell. It provides platform to share and discuss the latest developments in the area of IPR and their applications with practical exposure to students, faculty members and research scholars.

## About the conference-

Intellectual property rights refer to the privileges given to the inventor, creator, or an organization to protect their innovation for their exclusive rights of use for a certain periods of time. Their importance arises from the encouragement and the financial aid to stimulate creativity in the field of modern sciences and technology. Considering impact of socio-economic and technological developments several amendments were made in the Intellectual Property Rights Laws.

However, in spite of these amendments, there has been consistent increase in violations of IPR in the form of music piracy, software piracy, linking, caching, framing, digital databases and plagiarism etc., and these violations adversely effect the economy. Additionally, counterfeiting of trademarks in cyberspace and cybersquatting is increasing day by day and without stringent provisions, these issues will not be resolved. Trade secret or undisclosed information protection is one of the challenge faced by companies or businesses in absence of concrete legal provisions.

Further, Patent Amendment Act 2005 introduced process and product patent in the field of food, chemical and pharmaceutics, however, there is need to balance conflicting claims of access to medicine and exclusive right over patent in the form of compulsory license. This peculiar imbalance has resulted in reluctance in granting compulsory license which is very much evident from less number of licenses permitted even in medical emergencies. IPR has environmental implication as well. Patent Law has always been criticized for environmental pollution, green house effects and climate change and there is urgent need to revisit the provisions in the light of sustainable development. Growing unauthorized commercial use of traditional knowledge makes indigenous communities more vulnerable and in absence of comprehensive law at international level it is difficult to protect these resources. Further, biotechnological inventions and its impact on the environment need to be reviewed taking into consideration Laws on Climate Change and Biodiversity.

Effective enforcement of Intellectual Property Rights can be understood by analyzing intersection of IPR with other Laws. There is always debate and controversies between IPR and other laws such as IPR provides exclusive rights and recognizes the monopoly and on the other hand Competition Law prevents monopoly. These are just some of the issues prevailing in IPR regime. These issues need academic discussion and deliberations. Therefore, Intellectual Property Rights Cell of our college considered it necessary to have the brain storming discussion regarding various problems prevailing in an Intellectual Property Rights and to find out solution to deal with them in this changing times.

## Subthemes-

- 1. Copyright protection in digital era
- 2. Biodiversity and protection of biotechnological innovations under the new patent regime
- 3. Access to medicine and pharma patent
- 4. Counterfeiting of trademarks and need of stronger protection
- 5. Bio piracy, traditional knowledge and rights of indigenous people
- 6.Protection of trade secret in information age
- 7. Geographical indication and community rights protection
- 8. Protection of semiconductor integrated circuit and layout design
- 9. Protection of IPR in cyber space
- 10. IP Protection and environmental law
- 11. Harmonization of IPR and competition law

Note:

The above-mentioned sub-themes are not exhaustive. The author can select any other sub-theme which is related to the main theme.

## **Call for Papers:**

The organizer invites original, unpublished research papers for the virtual National Conference from students, research scholars, academicians, and professionals on the above sub-themes. Authors shall declare that the manuscripts submitted for the conference do not infringe the copyright of any other person. The interested researcher should send an abstract that contains 250-300 words accompanied by a brief profile of the author by filling out the registration form, the link of the google form is as under-https://forms.gle/W1jDz6SRcCxr5WUk6

#### Format of Paper:

- Font Size-12
- Font- Times New Roman
- Word Limit- minimum of 3000 to a maximum of 5000 words
- Language of paper- Papers shall be submitted and presented in English only
- Co-authorship- up to two co-authors are allowed
- Citation method- ILI
- Line spacing- 1.5
- Page alignment- Left-1.5, Right-1, Top-1 and bottom-1

Note: The organizers of the National Conference have all rights reserved concerning guidelines of submission and presentation of a research paper.

## **Targeted participants:**

- Law students
- Research Scholars
  - Professionals
  - Academicians

#### **Fees:**

#### For Participation -

- Law Student of SCLC, Pune- No fees
- Law Student and Research Scholar-Rs. 100/-
- Academicians and Professionals- Rs. 200/-

#### For Paper Presentation -

- Law Student of SCLC, Pune- No fees
- Law Student and Research Scholar-Rs. 200/-
- Academicians and Professionals- Rs. 400/-

Note- Each of co-author (if any) will have to pay fees separately and fill separate registration form.

## **Registration:**

The participants can participate in this conference by filling out the google form and depositing prescribed fees applicable to their category. Kindly take the screenshot or receipt of payment to upload in the google form while registering. In the case of paper presentation, the researcher should fill out the registration form by uploading the abstract with other details. The registration fee is not refundable. The registration link/google form is as under https://forms.gle/W1iDz6SRcCxr5WUk6

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#### Note:

**1.** Registration Fees includes only E-Certificate for participation/ Paper Presentation.

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The Organizing Committee does have a plan to publish the research papers in the form of conference proceedings/book with ISBN No. after the conference and the selection depends on the quality of the research paper

#### **Important Dates:**

Submission of Abstract- 11th April 2022 Confirmation of Abstract- 13th April 2022 Submission of Full Paper- 20th April 2022 Last date of Payment of Fees & Registration- 20th

April 2022

National Conference & Paper Presentation - 26th April 2022