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ACTIVITY REPORT OF MHRD IP CHAIR – 2013-14

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TEACHING

- IPR as Mandatory Course for B.A.LL.B (Hons) course in the fourth semester (June-October 2013) taught by Prof. V.C.Vivekanandan
- Seminar Paper on Entertainment Law- dealing with IP rights for Entertainment industry offered to X semester- final year- B.A.LL.B(Hons.) course
- One year -LL.M (IP Specialization) – copyright, Trademarks, Patents, Jurisprudence of IP, Traditional Knowledge and IP

RESEARCH PROGRAMMES

- PhD in IP specialization- Five Candidates enrolled for PhD

SELECT IP –DISSERTATION Topics of LL.M in 2013-14

Copyright and new musical creations: remix, sampling and mashups.

Interrelationship between Patents, transfer of technology and Competition with special reference to developing countries

New Patent regime and its impact on Technology Transfer- A critical analysis of TRIPS regime in specific reference to LDC's

Intellectual Property protection and sustainable development- An Indian Perspective

Right of Publicity in View of IPR

“Patenting the Unpatentable” A Comparative Analysis of Legality of Software Patents with Regard to Position in U.S., UK, Europe, Japan and India

“Auditing Intellectual Property Rights Through Competition Law: A Comparative Analysis – With Special Emphasis on the Prospects of Trade Related Intellectual Property Rights (TRIPs) Agreement”

ADVOCACY

IP Diploma programmes

- NALSAR PROXIMATE EDUCATION offers P.G. Diploma in Patents Law at seven cities of Hyderabad, Bangalore, Chennai, Mumbai, Pune, Ahmedabad and Delhi for law graduates and science/technology graduates.
- In the year 2013-14, 266 candidates joined the Patents Law course programme.
- The course covers general aspects of IPR, Indian Patents Law, European & Us Patent Laws and International Treaties & Institutions of IPR
- The course is a premier course in the country and is in its fourteenth year of offering and has contributed to a capacity building of more than 7000 professionals in the country.
- The P.G. Diploma in Cyber Laws Course dealing with internet and law has a strong component of IPR as one of the module
- In the year 2013-14, 108 candidates joined the Cyber Laws course programme.
- Copyright issues of software, patenting of software, domain name issues and operations of ICANN form part of the course
- In the year 2013-14, 54 candidates joined the Media Laws course programme covering IP issues for Media
- IP component in the Master's in Taxation and Business Laws for the probationers of income tax service at National Academy of Direct Taxes at Nagpur.

Conferences Organized

- IPEX 2013- International Conference on IP- MHRD IP Chair NALSAR was the Knowledge Partner for IPEX 2013 - International Conference and Exposition on Intellectual Property - Building and Managing an IP Ecosystem for Business Excellence “Enabling Indian Industry, Institutions and MSME’s to Implement and In-House IP Culture” held on 26-27 July 2013 at Hyderabad.
The Conference was organized by Confederation of Indian Industry, APTDC in partnership with United States Patent & Trademark Office – Global Intellectual Property Academy and MHRD IP Chair, NALSAR. Mr. Pradeep Chandra, IAS, Principal Secretary, Industries and Commerce Department, Govt. of AP delivered the inaugural address. Mr. Tan Yih San, IPOS, Singapore, Dr. S Chakravarthy, IAS(R), Adviser-APTDC, Mr. Chaitanya Prasad, IAS, Controller General of Patents, Design & TM, Indian Patent Office, Ms Kalpana Reddy, First Secretary for IP, USPTO, US Embassy, New Delhi, Dr. P J Narayanan, Director, IIIT, Hyderabad were the other dignitaries on the dais.

- GIPC 2014 - MHRD IP Chair NALSAR was the Knowledge Partner for the 6th Global Intellectual Property Convention of 2014 organized by ITAG held on 16-18 January, 2014 at Hyderabad.

Honors

- Prof.V.C.Vivekanandan, MHRD IP Chair Professor, NALSAR was nominated by Ministry of HRD as the official negotiator at the 26th Standing Committee on Copyright and Related Rights (SCCR) at WIPO, Geneva from 16-20th of December to deliberate on the Treaty of Broadcast and Treaty on Limitations and Exceptions of Copyright for Educational Institutions and Libraries and Archives.
- Prof.V.C.Vivekanandan, MHRD IP Chair Professor, NALSAR was nominated by Ministry of HRD as the official negotiator at the WIPO SCCR 27 meeting at Geneva from 27th April to 2nd May of 2014
- Appointed as member of the Working Group on Internet Governance (WGIG) of Government of India for December 2013- December 2016

Workshops/Consultative Meetings

- Participated in the Review Meeting of MHRD IPR Chairs on 2nd August 2013 at New Delhi.
- Participated in the 1st meeting of Copyright Enforcement Agency (CEAC) held on 2nd August, 2013 at New Delhi
- Participated in the first meeting of the Committee constituted for framing of Rules of Procedure for functioning of the MHRD IPR Chairs held on 12th September 2013 at New Delhi.
- Participated in the 1st Meeting of the sub-committee by MHRD under the Copyright Enforcement Advisory Council (CEAC) on issues pertaining to Enforcement of Copyrights in India held on 7th October 2013 at New Delhi.
- Participated in the meeting on proposed WIPO Treaty on Protection of Broadcasting Organization at MHRD, New Delhi on 27th November 2013.
- Participated in the second meeting on setting up of IPR Studies at Hyderabad on 28th January, 2014.
- Participated in the National level consultation on setting up of National Institute / Inter-University Centre (IUC) on IPR and strengthening of MHRD- IPR Chairs at New Delhi on 21st February, 2014.
- Participated in the meeting to discuss the legal texts on proposed WIPO Treaties on Copyright and Related Rights under the Chairpersonship of Smt Veena Ish, JS (BP&CR) on 26th March 2014 at 11.00AM in the Conference Room, 1st floor, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi.

- Participated in the meeting to discuss the comments/views of all stakeholders on the Report of National Council for Applied Economic Research (NCAER) on "the Impact of Parallel Imports of Books, Films/Music and software on the Indian Economy with special reference to students" under the Chairpersonship of Smt Veena Ish, JS (BP&CR) on 26th March 2014 at 2.00 PM.

Presentation at INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCES by Prof.V.C.Vivekanandan, MHRD IP Chair Professor, NALSAR University of Law, Hyderabad

1. Participated in the two day WIPO Seminar on Copyrights and Related Rights held at Chennai on 1-2 April 2013.
2. Participated in the BIC project of University of Lille from May 20-24, 2013.
3. Presentation "IP Capacity Building – Law vs. Science Conundrum" at ATRIP conference at Oxford University - June 23-26, 2013.
4. Participated and Presented at the Law via Internet Conference 2013 at Jersey, on the paper - Auditing the Indian Right to Information Act 2005 and its Impact on information Access' on 26th September 2013.
5. Presented paper on "The Post TRIPS Patent Matrix in India" at the international IP Conference "from IP to NP" held on November 10 and 11, 2013 at Tel-Aviv, Israel.
6. Presented and participated in the workshop of International Crops Research Institute for the Semi-Arid-Tropics (ICRISAT) on "IP and transgenic technology (Genetically Modified Crops) development" on November 26th 2013 at Hyderabad

PUBLICATIONS

Indian Journal of Intellectual Property Law (IJIPL) as part of the chair activity IJIPL Vol. 5, 2012 was released on 27th July 2013 during NALSAR Annual Convocation. Prof.V.C.Vivekanandan is the Editor in Chief of the publication.

Project

The MHRD IP Chair of NALSAR, Hyderabad mooted the concept of a gateway of MHRD IP Chairs to the Ministry. The Ministry of MHRD, communicated the launch of the Portal by the Hon'ble Minister of MHRD Dr. Shri Pallam Raju on 17th of February 2014 at New Delhi World Book Fair in the presence of Copyright Department officials and other dignitaries.