

EVENT REPORT

ONLINE IPR WORKSHOP BY M
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INTRODUCTION

Ministry of Human Resource Development organised a Facebook live session IPR workshop by Central expert, Ms.Shwetasree Majumder, Principal, Fidus Law Chamber. on 10th January 2019. Ms.
Majumder discussed about Innovation & Patents, Copyright & Related Rights, Branding & Trademarks, Industrial Designs, Other IPs – Geographical Indications, Semiconductor Integrated Circuits Layout Design, Plant Variety, Trade Secrets, Importance & Protection of IP – Recognize and Respect your own IP and that of others, and Entrepreneurship & Digital Age.





Ms.Majumder spoke about IPR and how it is essential to prevent others from manufacturing your product & to prevent disclosure.patents & the difference between a discovery & an invention. The viewers learnt about copyrights - what's right & wrong & the issues of piracy. She spoke about the ethical factors of copyrighting. The viewers learnt about special symbols used for trademarks & the fact that products in themselves cannot be trademarks. Also, that national symbols cannot be trademarks. Everything that's functional & that people have the right to use cannot be a trademark.

She enlightened us about how packaging & special design is capable of a trademark & a graphical representation with the use of colours etc. is necessary for trademarks - which are not words. For trademarks of things like sound, accurate description of the sound & which musical instrument etc. needs to be specified. She also spoke about how smell can be trademarked as well, however not in India.

Counterfeiting is an exact copy of a genuine product so that one happens to mistake it for the original product at first sight/interaction. It is the user's skill as to how to look at the quality & be able to find the fake one. One can use the internet to gain information on how to identify fake products.





She also informed the viewers about industrial design which creates a novel product wherein the design is very unique and should be protected via patents & copyright. She also spoke about Geographical indications where you have to apply as a collective group. Original products will have a Geographical indicator stamp on them. IPR is even available to framers & breeders who cultivate new plant varieties - should have gone through a life cycle. Criteria for IPR - Novel, distinct, uniform & stable.

She informed the viewers about how we as individuals have the responsibility of Intellectual property. One shouldn't purchase pirated content & should discourage piracy and focus on protecting their intellectual property.

She ended by explaining how even the government now is coming up with schemes & opportunities to encourage innovation & is hence incentivising innovation.

EVENT PHOTOGRAPHS







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EVENT VIDEO

The team captured 1-minute video of the event. It can be viewed at the following link -

https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1qizXkTcyldchILNqL5PiknDz8b5iNhIW?usp=sharing



CONCLUSION

In conclusion, the session truly did give the students & the faculties of IIIT some excellent expert information on IPR, Patents, Copyrights & Trademarks & protecting one's products from counterfeiting & how important it is for us to guard our own intellectual property.

The session was a success and has seen a very positive outcome in IIITDMJ.