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Preamble:

KSCST is fostering a culture of innovation, helping the inventors to protect their inventions and creating the IP ecosystem in the Karnataka State through Patent Information Centre (PIC) since from its inception in 2005 at KSCST. It is supported by the Department of Science and Technology (DST), Government of India (GoI). The Technology Innovation Support Centre (TISC) was established at PIC KSCST in association with CIPAM, DPIIT, Ministry of Commerce & Industry, GoI. TISC supports in advance training on IPR to staff, students, faculties and inventors. The paid database provided to TISC is helping KSCST to generate prior art search reports.

Objectives:

- To create awareness about Intellectual Property Rights (IPRs).
- To enable patent searches for universities, industry, government departments and R&D institutions of the State.
- To guide the inventors in patenting their inventions.
- Guide Colleges and Universities to setup IP Cells.
- To increase the Intellectual Property output for Mentorship, Incubation Centre and Startups.
- Encourage interaction between academia and industries in a common platform for commercializing innovative projects.

KSCST has signed Memorandum of Agreement (MoA) with the Dept. of Collegiate and Technical Education (DCTE), GoK along with IPTeL, IISc and Bengaluru Science & Technology Cluster (BeST) in order to build a comprehensive IP ecosystem in the Govt. Engineering, Polytechnic and First Grade Degree Colleges. Under this MoA, KSCST is conducting Training of the Trainer (TOT) Program on IPR to the IP coordinators (faculties) of these Colleges.



Progress: April - November 2024

- KSCST has established 8 IPR cells in various universities/colleges during the FY 2024-25 and a total of 84 IP cells have been established till date.
- KSCST has organized 27 IPR Programs (includes awareness programs, workshops, FDP, conferences & lectures) in association with various colleges and universities. More than 2000 participants were benefited from these IPR programs

- IP audit for 54 IP Cells has been completed by collecting & consolidating the IPR filing details of last 5 years (from 2020-2024). These IP Cells have filed a total of 2028 Patent Applications and 79 Patents have been Granted. IP audit also helped several institutions to streamline their IP portfolios.
- PIC KSCST has generated 43 Prior art search reports for the inventions/creations
- An average of 5 visitors (students/ Faculties/ Start-ups/Individuals) per month are consulting PIC KSCST for IPR related queries and consultation.
- Karnataka State IPR Policy has been drafted which aims to transform the state into a globally recognized IP hub. This policy seeks to harness the creation and protection of Intellectual Property. This policy needs to be proposed to the state Govt.
- Conducted two One-day Beginner Level Training Programs on IPR to the 80 faculties of Government Engineering, Polytechnic and First Grade Degree Colleges across Karnataka in association with the Dept. of Collegiate and Technical Education (DCTE), GoK, IPTeL, IISc and Bengaluru Science & Technology Cluster (BeST).
- Around 12 new products and goods potential for GI filings have been identified in the state of Karnataka. The research studies on the below products have been initiated to facilitate GI filing.
 1. Rani Ele
 2. Rani Menasu
 3. Ranibennuru Kambali
 4. Hoysala Stone Art
- The practical demonstration-based training on post-harvest technologies to the producers of GI registered Horticulture crops in Karnataka is planned in association with Horticultural University, Bagalkot.



Exchange of MOU during the establishment of VTU - KSCST IP Cell at Visvesvaraya Technological University (VTU), Belagavi on 7th June 2024



Exchange of MOU during the establishment of IP Cell at Chamarajanagara University, Chamarajanagara on 10th September 2024



Dr. Sarsija Padmanabhan from KSCST delivered a Hands-on session on Prior art search in the Faculty Development Program on “Patent Drafting and Filing” at VTU Regional Centre, Kalaburagi on 21st August 2024



Mr. Vineeth Kumar SR from KSCST delivered a session on Patents filing procedure in the Faculty Development Program on “Patent Drafting and Filing” at VTU Regional Centre, Kalaburagi on 22nd August 2024



Ms. Prajanya GP from KSCST delivered a session on Patent subject matter in the Faculty Development Program on “Patent Drafting and Filing” at VTU Regional Centre, Kalaburagi on 22nd August 2024



Lecture on “Basics of IPR and its Importance for Innovators and Entrepreneurs” delivered in Channabasaveshwara Institute of Technology, Gubbi, Tumakuru on 15th November 2024



Filed visit and Meeting with the Thotagars Cooperative Sales Society at Sirsi related to the GI research study of Rani Menasu



Visit to Horticultural College Bengaluru regarding the discussion of training on post-harvest technologies to the producers of GI registered Horticulture crops in Karnataka

Below are the project proposals submitted to various agencies for financial assistance.

1. Below three proposals for the promotion of GI in the state were submitted to DPIIT for financial assistance

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1	Form I - Awareness programmes	Application for Awareness on Geographical Indications	Rs. 5,00,000/-
2	Form I - Capacity Development	Skill upgradation for the producers of GI tagged goods of Karnataka to enhance their livelihood and sustainability of ancient traditional crafts and plant crops	Rs. 31,53,425/-
3	Form III - GI Study	Secure Traditional Knowledge and Livelihood Opportunities of local communities by registration of Geographical Indications of Karnataka	Rs. 63,25,000/-

2. The proposal of Hoysala Style Stone Artisans Skill Enhancement Training and Value Addition Initiatives was submitted to NABARD.

Executive Committee: For Information