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Introduction

Intellectual Property Rights (IPR) are legal rights that protect the products of innovation and creativity. University research contributes to innovation and creativity, and the results of research can lead to the creation of new intellectual property. Therefore, it is essential to have an IPR policy to ensure that the university's intellectual property is adequately protected and managed. It provides rewards and recognition to inventor/contributor for their research, designs, discoveries, inventions, etc. University IPR Cell is dedicated to increase the awareness and opportunities amongst young guns to provide them competent career choices. Moreover, this Cell arranges various activities like IPR awareness workshop, Industry Training program, Industrial cum research Projects, Industrial Visits, Guest Lectures, Workshop, Conferences, Seminars, Case Studies and Research Work.

Policy Statement:

The University acknowledges the importance of protecting its intellectual property, and this policy is designed to ensure that proper procedures are in place to manage and safeguard the University's intellectual property rights.

OBJECTIVES

The objectives of this policy are as follows:

1. To provide a framework for the protection and management of the University's intellectual property.
2. To encourage and promote innovation within the University community.
3. To ensure that the University's intellectual property is used for the benefit of the University, its staff, and students.
5. To promote intra-academia and inter-university research collaborations. To promote more collaborations between the academia and industry through better clarity on IP ownership and IP licensing.
6. To promote bilateral and/or multilateral agreements for technology transfer mechanisms within the University.
7. Enhance the reputation of the University as an academic research institution and a member of society by pursuing the highest ideals of scholarship and teaching and by conferring the benefits of that scholarship and teaching on the University community and society

ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE IPR CELL

1. IPR Cell shall be responsible for overseeing the implementation of all recommendations and decisions pertaining to IP management.
2. IPR Cell shall be the responsible authority for guiding the university with regard to material transfer and IP licensing agreements.
3. IPR Cell may suggest changes in the IPR Policy or new policies as and when deemed necessary.
4. Screening of all requests for patent applications shall be done by the IPR Cell.
5. IPR Cell will support the university and the researchers for negotiating technology transfer and benefit-sharing agreements.
6. Whenever required, the IPR Cell shall clarify to the researchers and the university whether the research in question can be considered as research with incidental support of university, research with substantial support of the university, and/ or research with substantial support of external partners.
7. IPR Cell will keep proper records of all IP applications.
8. While replying to applications under the Right to Information Act 2005 (“RTI Act”), IPR Cell may ensure that the novelty of the innovations (for the purpose of patent protection) shall not be defeated. The relevant provisions of the RTI Act may be consulted in this regard.
9. The IPR Cell may conduct periodic audit of university IP.

POLICY ACTIONS

1. All members of the University community must comply with the policy and relevant laws and regulations.
2. Any intellectual property created by members of the University community shall automatically become the property of the University.
3. The University will take appropriate measures to protect its intellectual property, including filing patents or trademarks.
4. In cases where intellectual property rights are shared or jointly owned, the University will enter into agreements with the relevant parties to govern the management, ownership, and distribution of proceeds.
5. The University will ensure that all intellectual property is managed effectively and efficiently, including making decisions regarding patent filing, licensing, transfer, spin-off companies, and other forms of commercialization.
6. The University will provide support and assistance to members of the University community who wish to commercialize their intellectual property, including providing access to appropriate legal and business advice.
7. The University will ensure that all income generated from the exploitation of its intellectual property is allocated in accordance with relevant policies and procedures.

CONCLUSION

The IPR policy of the University is critical for promoting innovation, creativity, and commercialization while ensuring that the University's intellectual property is managed effectively and efficiently. Compliance with the policy by all members of the University community is crucial for the successful implementation of the policy.