

A REPORT ON

NATIONAL CONFERENCE ON INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY RIGHTS AND PLAGIARISM

The one day National Conference on Intellectual Property Rights and Plagiarism was conducted on 22nd March 2018 in Sacred Heart College (Autonomous), Tirupattur. This conference aims to share experiences on how to convert research and projects into patent, to commercialize patented works and to bring long term benefits to the nearby colleges on par with top class universities. The programme was started with registration at 9.00 am on 22nd March 2018 in DMT Hall. The inaugural programme was started at 9.30 am with a prayer song followed by welcome address by Dr.S.R. Xavier Rajarathinam, Vice Principal (Academics), Shift-I. In the welcome address, he highlighted the importance of this conference and appreciated the participants for their interest shown to attend this programme. The rector and Secretary of the college, Rev. Dr.C.Antony Raj, in his felicitation message, emphasized the significance of the intellectual properties and urged the participants to focus more towards new inventions and contribute to the growth of the country. Dr. Sunil Gladson from Dr.Ambedkar Law University, in his inaugural address spoke about the current scenario where India is lagging in terms of filing and obtaining patents.

In the first technical session, Mr. Cedric Joseph Manuel, CEO of CIntelligence services, Chennai gave a presentation on “Patents - Basics and Importance” and highlighted the importance of protecting the rights of the new inventions with the case reports and emphasized the role of consultants in filing patents. The talk developed the basic ideas over the aspects of patents with specific reference to design, development and application. Also, he gave an exposure about the technical aspect of patent and its significance.

The resource person for the second technical sessions was Dr. M. Sunil Gladson, from the Tamilnadu Dr. Ambedkar Law University, Chennai. In his enlightening presentation on “New dimensions of Innovations and Patent procedures”, he touched upon the legal aspects of current scenario in protecting intellectual property in India and lamented the lack of awareness among the faculty and research scholars on how to convert the research finding to a patent. The talk mainly motivated the audience to take up patenting and explained about the procedures to be followed while filing a patent. Moreover the talk envisioned about the importance of claims, which implemented the new innovation among the researchers.

In the afternoon session, a presentation on “Academic Integrity through Originality Assessment Test” was given by Shri. Debapriya Mukherjee, TurnitIndia Education Pvt. Ltd, Bangalore. He stressed on the importance of checking the malpractices and curbing the plagiarism in higher educational Institutions in India and dwelled on how to write thesis and research papers in a better way using Turnitin antiplagiarism software.

The fourth and final technical session was highly informative vis-a-vis the procedures to file patent rights, copyrights and trademarks by Mr. A. Raja, Assistant Controller of Patents and Designs, the Patent Office, Chennai. He gave a presentation about “Introduction to IPR and Patent Filing Procedures in India”. He explained the step by step process of filing the patents and the consciousness towards the don’ts while filing the patent. This session was a real enlightenment to the audience about patent search as well.

The conference came to an end with the valedictory function at 5.00 P.M. Prof. Josephin Sahaya Mala, Vice Principal (Academics), Shift-II welcomed the gathering followed by the valedictory address by Rev.Dr. K.A.Maria Arokia Raj SDB, the Additional principal of the college. Participation certificates were issued to all the participants. Finally, the Dean of Research and convener of this conference Dr.M.Jose thanked everyone for their active participation. This conference brought about a positive transformation in the Faculty member’s attitude in their project and research works and got them more focused as well as result oriented. There were 144 candidates registered to participate in this conference including 45 faculty members and research scholars from other neighboring colleges. This conference was an eye opener for the young faculty and research scholars and taught them the nitty gritty of intellectual property rights.



Dr.S.R. Xavier Rajarathinam, Vice Principal (Academics), Shift-I welcomes the gathering during the inaugural function.



Rev. Dr.C.Antony Raj SDB, the rector and Secretary of the college, during his felicitation message highlighted the relevance of this conference



Participants during the conference



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One of the participants from Loyola College, Chennai gives feedback about the conference



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