

**One Day Regional Workshop on
Intellectual Property Right for Academic
Excellence**
at Pandu College, Guwahati



**Organized by
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One Day Regional Workshop on Intellectual Property Right for Academic Excellence was organized on 22nd March 2021 at Pandu College, Guwahati as a collaborative initiative between Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC), Pandu College, Guwahati and DPIIT IPR Chair, Intellectual Property Right Cell, Tezpur University. This workshop introduced Intellectual Properties to the students and discussed various its forms to protect original innovations. More than 79 participants from Guwahati joined in the programme.

The workshop started with a briefing by Dr. Jayanta Hazarika, Assistant Professor, Department of Physics, Pandu College introducing the gathering to the objectives and motivation for organization the event. In his inaugural address, Dr. Jogesh Kakati, Principal, Pandu College deliberated on the relevance of Intellectual Property Rights (IPRs) in contemporary times. He also offered his sincere thanks and gratitude to the IPR Cell, Tezpur University for taking initiative and coming forward to organize such an event in the college. As the part of the inaugural session, Prof. P. Deb, DPIIT Chair Professor, IPR Cell, Tezpur University addressed the gathering and gave a brief introduction of Intellectual Property Rights and apprised them about the role played by the IPR Cell. The inaugural session was concluded with closing remark by the moderator of the program Dr. Jayanta Hazarika.



Photo: (Top left) Participants along with the members of the organizing committee from Pandu College, (top right) student participants present in the workshop and (at bottom) the group photo of the participants with the organizer and resource persons at the end of the workshop

The first Technical session (**Technical session A**) started with Prof. P. Deb's talk on the topic "*Introduction to the Intellectual Property rights*". He started with the basics of the IPRs and discussed some day-to-day examples. Keeping in view the students participants, he explained in details about the characteristics of the all IPs such as patents, copyrights, design, trademarks, geographical indications (GI) etc. He also explained how these IP assets arising out of one's creativity and efforts can be managed and protected. The students present in the program were delighted by the lecture of Prof. Deb and they interacted with him after his lecture.



Photo: Prof. P. Deb, deliberating on Intellectual Property Rights.



Photo: Dr. Juri B. Saikia, speaking on GIs and its implication on communities.

The second technical session (**Technical session B**) started with deliberation from Dr. Juri Borbora Saikia, Research Assistant, IPR Cell, Tezpur University on the topic *Geographical Indications and its Implication in Communities*. Stating some common and interesting GIs, she further reflected on the importance of registration of GI status for local product goods to establish its uniqueness and inherent quality in the global market. She also elaborated on future scope of grassroots entrepreneur groups and ethnic communities to make profit using GI Tag on finished products. GIs like 'Darjeeling Tea', 'Boka Saul', 'Bhut Jolokia' and Muga-silk etc appeared in her talk. The participants connected to the subject came up with some interesting and relevant questions.

The third session (Technical session C) was taken up by Dr. Koushik Saikia, Research Assistant, IPR Cell, Tezpur University on *IP Management*. In his session, he specifically talked about the patent application process in India and how the TUIPR Cell provides assistance to various innovators. He discussed the entire journey of an innovation from being identified till it takes the shape of a 'patent'. He also briefed the students about the formalities to be followed in the Indian Patent Office. Dr. Saikia also discussed the scope of Govt. Support from agencies like NRDC and TIFAC, for filing and supporting the innovations. He concluded by emphasising the importance of being original and encouraged the students for protecting their IPs.



Photo: Dr. Koushik Saikia, Research Assistant, TUIPR Cell speaking on IP Management.



Photo: Mr. Ashutosh Das, the Quiz mater, during the Open House Quiz.

To further enrich the understanding of the on IPRs, the interactive session was transformed to an IP quiz. The renowned quiz master of the region and founder of the quizzing start-up **KnowIT**, Mr. Ashutosh Das, initiated the quiz session with a brief introduction of the topic. The session was highly appreciated by the participants and students actively participated in the program. Instant prizes were also given to the winners as token of appreciations. The quiz continued for 2 hours.



Photo: (on left) One of the Participants while giving his feedback and (on right) an interaction between Prof. P. Deb and one participant.

Prior to the valedictory session, the participants were invited for sharing their experience and provide feedbacks for the conducted program. Most of them expressed that they learned a lot from the sessions and got exposed to unknown facets of IPR that they were unaware of before. As a part of the valedictory session, Mr. Dipjyoti Barman, co-ordinator of the IQAC, Pandu College expressed gratitude to the team of IPR Cell, Tezpur University for co-organizing the program. He, along with the resource persons, handed over the certificates to the participations.

The program was concluded with the vote of thanks by Dr. Jayanta Hazarika where he expressed his gratitude to the Pandu College authorities for the providing support and the infrastructure facilities and for organizing the workshop. He also thanked DPIIT, Govt of India and TUIPR Cell for providing support and coming forward to organize the event in such a short notice. He expressed hope for organizing many such events in future.

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9.30 AM -10.00 AM	Registration
10.00 AM -10.30 AM	Inaugural Session
10.30 AM -10.45 AM	Tea
10.45 AM -1.15 AM	<p><u>TECHNICAL SESSION A:</u> Introduction to Intellectual Property Rights Prof. Pritam Deb, IPR Chair Professor, Tezpur University</p> <p><u>TECHNICAL SESSION B:</u> Geographical Indications and its Implication in Communities Dr. Juri B. Saikia, Research Assistant, TUIPR Cell, Tezpur University</p> <p><u>TECHNICAL SESSION C:</u> IP management Dr. Koushik Saikia, Research Assistant, TUIPR Cell, Tezpur University</p>
1.15 PM-1.30 PM	Interaction
1.30 PM-2.30 PM	Launch
2.30 PM -3.30 PM	Interactive Session with the participants through a Short Question- Answer Session
3.30 PM- 4.00 PM	Feedback from the participants
4.00 PM-4.30 PM	Valedictory session and distribution of certificates to the participants

About the Speakers

Pritam Deb

Professor Pritam Deb is a nationally recognized scholar and teacher in the fields of IPR, Patent, PCT and Trade secrets. He is the Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade (DPIIT), Ministry of Commerce and Industry Chair on Intellectual Property Rights (IPR) at Tezpur University (Central University). Prior to becoming the Chair Professor, Professor Deb, who has graduate training in physics, worked as Coordinator of IPR Cell that patenting University innovations.



He became the liaison between the scientists and patent lawyers, an experience that piqued his interest in the links among the scientific, legal, and regulatory communities. His work takes him from TU's classrooms, where he's taught IPR since 2012, to conferences and other campuses throughout the region. Professor Deb has held a number of visiting or honorary positions, including the Max Planck Fellow of Max-Planck-Institut für Eisenforschung, Germany, APS-IUSSTF Professor at Rice University, USA. He wrote and filed number of patents and software copyrights to the Patent and Copyright Office. He has instituted many innovative IPR activities in the campus – Best Innovative Idea competition, IPR quiz, IP Day talks etc. He has also been working for initiating many industry-academia collaborations as part of the effort initiated for creating a Pro-Industry translational research platform in the University. Professor Deb has provided effective and inspiring leadership by preparing and implementing strategies of IPR Policy objectives (Creating IPR Awareness, Administration and Management of IPR, Human Capital Development) of Tezpur University.

Juri Borbora Saikia

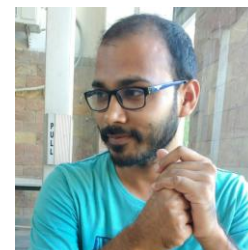
Dr. Juri Borbora Saikia graduated in science and obtained her postgraduate and Ph.D degrees from Tezpur University. She also holds a Post-Graduate Diploma in IPR Laws from the National Law School of India University, Bangalore. After working in IIT Guwahati as Senior Research Fellow from 2009 to 2011, she joined the prestigious MHRD Chair on IPR in Tezpur University as Research Officer in 2011. Since then she is actively involved in various IPR related activities that include organizing various in-house and outreach programmes.



She is also associated with conducting interdisciplinary course on IPR for the Undergraduate, Postgraduate and Ph.D students of Tezpur University. Besides these, she along with her team at the TUIPR Cell works for providing IPR assistance to the TU fraternity as well as the grassroot innovators. Facilitating good innovations towards protectable IPs is one of the important jobs she loves working for.

Koushik Saikia

Dr. Koushik Saikia obtained his postgraduate degree in Nanoscience and Technology from the Department of Physics, Tezpur University in 2011. He received his Ph.D. in physics from the Department of Physics in 2016. Apart from publishing his research works in various reputed journals he is also experienced with writing patent applications and patenting his innovations. Before, joining this position he was associated with the Centre for Nanotechnology, Indian Institute of Technology Guwahati as a Project Scientist and thereafter the Department of Physics of the same institute as National Postdoctoral fellow during the period 2017 to 2019.



List of Participants

Sl. No.s	Name of Participants	Institutions
1	Darsana Saikia	Pandu College
2	Keshav Kumar Jha	Pandu College
3	Suman Sahnaj	Pandu College
4	Ujjal Baishya	Pandu College
5	Gyayatri Sharma	Pandu College
6	Ballerina Mazumder	Pandu College
7	Firoz Ahmed	Pandu College
8	Ishan Patowary	Pandu College
9	Rafiul Islam	Pandu College
10	Keshab KantiSaha	Pandu College
11	Shivani Kumari Jha	Pandu College
12	Moumita Bose	Pandu College
13	Preeti Dey	Pandu College
14	Dhretiman Nath	Pandu College
15	Shibam Das	Pandu College
16	Rohan Debnath	Pandu College
17	Hiranya Jyoti Boro	Pandu College
18	Dhana Kanta Narah	Pandu College
19	Sarbamon Ronghang	Pandu College
20	Rishikesh Deka	Pandu College
21	Priya Bow	Pandu College
22	Sonu Dutta	Pandu College
23	Pratik Barua	Pandu College
24	Avishek Sengupta	Pandu College
25	Shivam Kumar Banik	Pandu College
26	Akash Anand	Pandu College
27	Shyamal Choudhury	Pandu College
28	Prastuti Barman	Pandu College

29	Chayanika Das	Pandu College
30	Asik Ali	Pandu College
31	Jitual Kalita	Pandu College
32	Rahul Das	Pandu College
33	Mrinal Amin	Pandu College
34	Neha Kumari Gupta	Pandu College
35	Sontoshi Kumari Prasad	Pandu College
36	Preeti Kumari Sah	Pandu College
37	David Pradhan	Pandu College
38	Lav Kumar Sharma	Pandu College
39	Suman Kalita	Pandu College
40	Jyoti Biswas	Pandu College
41	Annu Ojha	Pandu College
42	Suporna Paul	Pandu College
43	Bhaswati Bharali	Pandu College
44	Purnima Ghosh	Pandu College
45	Surabhi Debnath	Cotton University
46	Abhishek Deb	Pandu College
47	Shariful Islam	Pandu College
48	Rakibul Hussain	Pandu College
49	Aminur Rahman	Pandu College
50	Mrigakhi Das	Pandu College
51	Niharjyoti Das	Pandu College
52	Jugal Uzir	Pandu College
53	Anwasha Chakraborty	Pandu College
54	Tanmoy Goswami	Pandu College
55	Subhajeet Deb	Pandu College
56	Arnab Bhattacharjee	Pandu College
57	Deep Debnath	Pandu College
58	Rahul Pandey	Pandu College
59	Tarali Ray	Pandu College

60	Neelpaban Sarmah	Pandu College
61	Alakesh Bezbaruah	Pandu College
62	Orkita Borpuzari	Pandu College
63	Ujjal Nath	Pandu College
64	Pritamjoy Upadhaya	Pandu College
65	Bezanta Pol. Baruah	Pandu College
66	Bikash Kalita	Pandu College
67	Dr. Bornali Baishya	Pandu College
68	Riklar Engtipi	Pandu College
69	Akshewata Nunisa	Pandu College
70	Gaurav Deori	Pandu College
71	Krishna Mani Nath	Pandu College
72	Haoninthang Thomsong	Pandu College
73	Ashish Baishya	Pandu College
74	LonchupTerron	Pandu College
75	Riju Kumar	Pandu College
76	Keshab Debnath	Pandu College
77	Nisha Rajbongshi	Pandu College
78	Dimpi Kalita	Pandu College
79	Prapti Debnath	Pandu College