ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY ANALYSIS AND ADVOCACY CENTER (IPAAC)

ANNUAL REPORT (July 2019 - June 2020)

1. IPR Workshop at Sri Sri University, Cuttack [28th January, 2019]

Organised IPR workshop organized in collaboration with Sri Sri University, Cuttack, Odisha on 28th January 2019.

<u>Awareness Programme on "Importance of IPR in MSME" [14th November 2019]</u> The MSME directorate Cuttack in collaboration with NLUO conducted an awareness programme for NLUO students on the" importance of IPR in MSME" On Nov 14th. 2019 Mr. SK Rath, dcMSME Cuttack also detailed different schemes for MSME for

3. <u>Workshop with CIPAM, DPIIT relating to various aspects of IP Law [24th-25th Februaruy 2020]</u>

The Center organized a workshop in collaboration with CIPAM (Cell for IPR Promotion and Management), Department of Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade, Government of India from the 24th- 25th of February 2020. The workshop was held over the course of 2 days. The lectures were delivered as part of the workshop by 5 esteemed practitioners in the field of Intellectual Property Rights addressing the students on practical as well as the theoretical aspects of the field.

The esteemed speakers for the event were

IPR protection provided by Govt. of India.

- 1. Mr. Shubham Istrewal (Assistant Manager, CIPAM),
- 2. Dr. Prithipal Singh (Assistant Controller of Patents and Designs),
- 3. Ms. Sukku (Senior Patent Associate, SS Rana & Co.),
- 4. Mr. Vikrant Rana (Managing Partner, SS Rana & Co.),
- 5. Mr. Rajiv Suri (Partner, RNA Technology and IP Attorneys)

The topics covered in the workshop were related to multiple aspects relating to the

aspects of IP Rights including but not limited to Patents, Trademark, Copyrights,

Designs and Commercialization of Intellectual Property Rights.

4. <u>Webinar in Collaboration with SS Rana & Co. on "Compulsory Licensing in the</u> <u>Pharmaceutical Industry in Times of Crisis like COVID-19" [8th May, 2020]</u>

The Center organized a webinar in collaboration with SS Rana & Co. The esteemed speaker for the event was Ms. Sukku (Senior Patent Associate, SS Rana & Co.). The session was insightful and engaging on the topic of 'Compulsory Licensing in the Pharmaceutical Industry in Times of Crisis like COVID-19' which was held on the 8th of May 2020.

5. <u>Webinar in Collaboration with SS Rana & Co. on "Intellectual Property Audit"</u> [4th June, 2020]

The Center organized a second webinar in collaboration with SS Rana & Co. The esteemed speaker for the session was Mr. Vikrant Rana (Managing Partner, SS Rana& Co.) delivering an engaging and detailed lecture on 'Intellectual Property Audit', which was organized on the 4th of June 2020.

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1. <u>Webinar in Collaboration with RNA Technologies and IPR Attorneys on</u> <u>"Discrimination as the Ground for Refusal of Trademark (TM) Registration"</u> [23rd October, 2020]

In collaboration with RNA Technologies and IPR Attorneys, the Center organized a webinar with the esteemed resource persons, Mr. Ranjan Narula, (Managing Partner, RNA Technologies and IPR Attorneys) and Mr. Rajiv Suri, (Partner, RNA Technologies and IPR Attorneys) who delivered a lecture on 'Discrimination as the Ground for Refusal of Trademark (TM) Registration', held on the 23rd of October 2020.

2. Lecture on Online Education and Challenges to Copyright Law [4th June, 2021]

Professor Raman Mittal, (Professor-in-Charge of Campus Law Centre, Faculty of Law, University of Delhi) delivered the lecture on 'Online Education and Challenges to Copyright Law', organised by the centre on the 4th of June 2021.

ANNUAL REPORT (July 2021 - July 2022)

1. <u>Intra-University Turncoat Competition [10th July 2021]</u>

The Intra- University Turncoat Competition was organized by The Intellectual Property Advocacy and Analysis Centre on 10th July 2021.

2. Awareness Program [September 2021]

IPR Awareness program conducted for entrepreneurs of start-up ODISHA in September 2021.

3. <u>WIPO Submission – Working Paper</u>

Submission of a working paper to the World Intellectual Property Organisation (WIPO) on Artificial Intelligence under the aegis of the centre, in the academic year 2020-2021, in reference to the call for submissions by WIPO on AI.

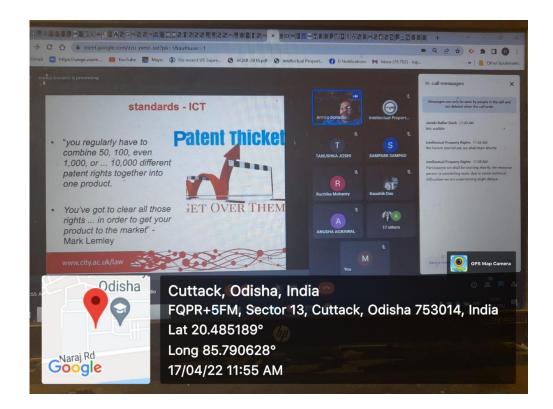
4. <u>Lets Talk IP: Knowledge Sharing Sessions- "Registration of Copyright Societies</u> <u>in India" [21st January, 2022]</u>

This event was conducted with the aim to instigate discussions around contemporary issues of Intellectual Property Rights and hence this initiative was a solicitation and effort to bring together the members of Intellectual Property Analysis and Advocacy Center and the student body in general to participate in healthy debate on topics covering the domains and recent happenings in the regime of Intellectual Property Laws.

5. <u>Webinar on Standard Essential Patents And Internet Of Things by Professor (Dr.)</u> <u>Enrico Bonadio [17th April 2022]</u>

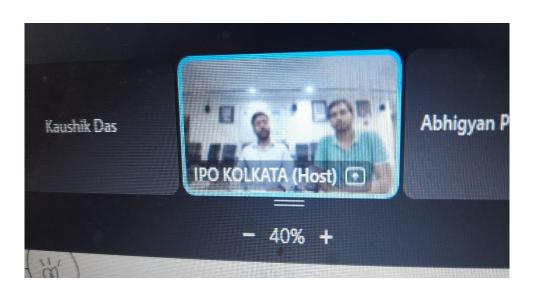
A Standard Essential Patent (SEP) is a patent used to comply with a standard, often referring to protected innovations. An SEP is defined as necessary if standard use infringes it. SEPs are crucial for standard-compliant products and align with innovation and technology distribution goals. Standard organizations require patent disclosure and licensing for standard-related patents, preventing royalty disputes if essential licenses are not obtained. The internet of things, or IoT, is an arrangement of interrelated figuring gadgets, mechanical and advanced machines, items, creatures or individuals

that are given novel identifiers (UIDs) and the capacity to move information over an organization without expecting human-to-human or human-to-PC collaboration. This webinar was conducted by IPAAC to give a talk on these new and coming topics which are gaining greater and greater relevance with the advancement of technology.



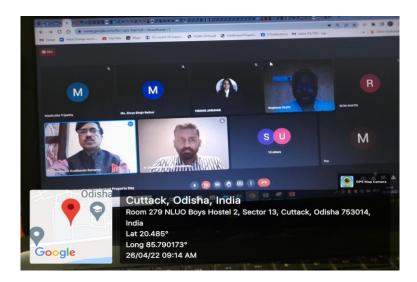
6. <u>IPR Awareness Program by IPAAC in Collaboration with NIPAM Cell, IPO</u> <u>Kolkata [21st April, 2022]</u>

Intellectual property rights are massively prevalent in our daily lives, and as such the examination of its nuances present an important ambit in the legal and social discourse. Under these prudent considerations that Intellectual Property have within our frameworks, we find it immensely pivotal for its sustained understanding and nuances as a fundamental metric. The program is intended to create greater Intellectual Property Awareness amongst the participants and as such an important ambition into the participants abilities to understand and apply in these areas. Program conducted with NIPAM Cell, Kolkata Office and Mr. Dhiren Pattnayak and Mr. Pritish Ranjan Pradhan as resource persons.



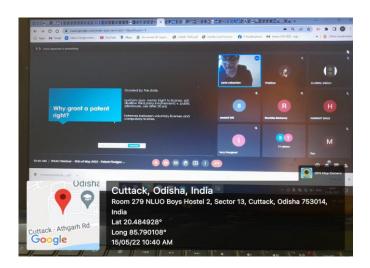
7. <u>World IP Day Event- Talk on "IP for a Better Future: Young Innovator" [26th April, 2022]</u>

World Intellectual Property Day is celebrated each year for the sustenance and furtherance of Intellectual property rights awareness and developments. As a centre immensely involved in the periphery and integrity of intellectual property discourse, the session, was designed to commemorate the same, with esteemed resource persons invited to give addresses on crucial issues on Intellectual Property Rights in the world. The program was conducted to encourage the spirit of the year's theme of the day, and to increase participants" ability to exercise their knowledge of Intellectual Property as well as also ascertain and learn from the session. The Resource Persons for this event were Mr. Raghavender G.K.(Joint Secretary, Department of Justice, Ministry of Law & Justice, Government of India) and Mr. Ubais Ali and Mr. Al-Zamil M.K (Young Entrepreneurs)



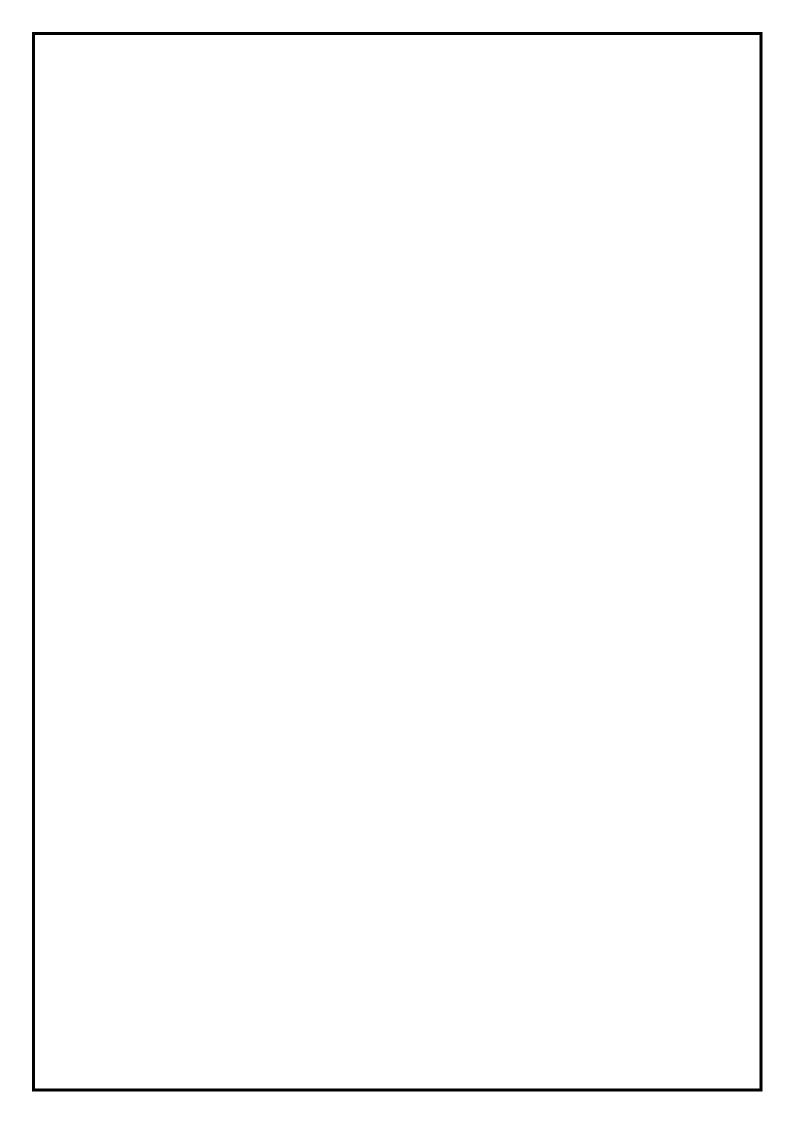
8. <u>Talk on Patent Pledges in a Post Pandemic World [15th May, 2022]</u>

This program enabled participants to gain rich awareness of the Pandemic situation and its impacts on the patent rights that are present within the system of India, what kind of developments have been taken post the pandemic's peak era, and the effects and progress that continue to be made in this field. The program encouraged the participant's ability to exercise their knowledge



9. Publication of Annual Newsletter [July 2022]

The inaugural edition of the newsletter for the centre, "IPEXELS" was released in the month of July, 2022.



ANNUAL REPORT (July 2022 - May 2023)

1. Orientation for the Batch of 2027 [29th August, 2022]

The annual orientation is an introductory session conducted by the Intellectual Property Analysis and Advocacy Center (IPAAC) for the incoming batches of the college, to introduce them to sphere of Intellectual Property Rights, as well as with the Center and its working.



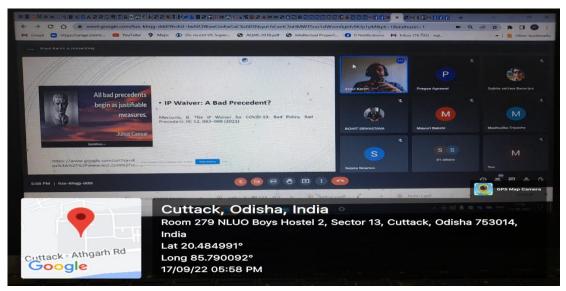
2. <u>One-Day Workshop In collaboration with CIPAM [1st September, 2022]</u>

This was a workshop conducted for the promotion and dissemination of knowledge on Intellectual Property. Eminent speakers were invited to give a talk on: "A Detailed Discussion on Intellectual Property Enforcement" Mr. Dhruv Maingi (Director, Netrika) and "Informative Session on Copyright Societies in India" by Ms. Sonal Chhablani (Senior Associate, Sai Krishna & Associates). This event saw the participation of 200+ participants.

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3. <u>Talk on "Innovation and Access in Critical Times" by Mr. Ataul Karim [17th September 2022]</u>

The Centre for Intellectual Property Advocacy and Analysis conducted a talk on the topic of Innovation and Access in critical times, conducted by Mr. Ataul Karim with the aim of proliferating information and providing knowledge on the topic of Intellectual Property, innovation and accessibility.



4. <u>Publication of Annual Newsletter</u>

Published Newsletter *second edition* of the newsletter for the Center, "**IPEXELS**" for the month of March. 2023. Inaugural edition of the newsletter for the Center, "IPEXELS" released in the month of July 2022.

5. <u>NLUO Turncoat Debate Competition [15th February, 2023]</u>

The turncoat debate was conducted to instigate discussions around contemporary issues of Intellectual Property like copyright in various social media platforms and AI, plant variety protection, patents etc., we aim to familiarize budding law students through this competition.





ANNUAL REPORT (July 2023 - May 2024)

1. <u>Certificate course on IPR, public policy, and Pharmaceutical Industry by</u> <u>Prof.(Dr.) Reji K. Joseph [September-October 2023]</u>

The course "Pharmaceutical Industry, IPRs and Public Policy in India," led by Dr. Reji K. Joseph, provides a well-rounded exploration of the complex relationship between the pharmaceutical industry, intellectual property rights, and public policy, particularly in India. It effectively combines historical context with current issues, such as the TRIPS Agreement, to offer students a comprehensive understanding of the subject. The course's interactive format, blending lectures with discussions, and its multidisciplinary approach make it accessible and engaging for students from various academic backgrounds. Overall, it is an insightful program that equips participants with a deep understanding of the critical issues at the intersection of public health and intellectual property.

2. Publication of Annual Newsletter [January 2022]

The January 2024 edition of the newsletter for the centre, "IPEXELS" was released in the month of January, 2024. In this issue, the objective was to provide a comprehensive range of information regarding various developments and events in the field of Intellectual Property.

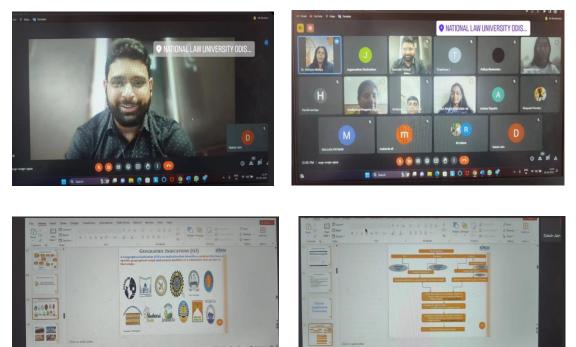
3. <u>Webinar on "Trademark Licensing and Registration: Emerging Trends" [9th</u> <u>March 2024]</u>

The event featured prominent legal experts and industry professional Mr. Vijay Kumar Makyam, who is a postgraduate in Law with specialization in Intellectual Property Rights and Master of Science in Information Technology. He delved into the evolving landscape of trademark law. The important discussions in the webinar centred around the latest developments in trademark registration processes, the impact of digital transformation on brand protection, and the increasing importance of global trademark licensing in a connected world. The expert also highlighted the challenges and opportunities arising from new technologies, such as artificial intelligence and blockchain, in trademark enforcement and management. He also shared his practical advice on navigating complex legal frameworks and maintaining robust trademark portfolios in a rapidly changing market. The webinar

involved active participation from the students through constant questioning and healthy discussion on the emerging trends in the IP law.

4. <u>One Day workshop on "Understanding the Balance of Traditional IP Rights</u> <u>and Open Access Initiatives" [30th September 2023]</u>

The centre in virtual collaboration with National Intellectual Property Awareness Mission (NIPAM), a professional body under the aegis of the Department for Promotion of industry and Internal Trade (DPIIT) conducted One Day workshop. The workshop was headed by, Mr Saurabh Trivedi who is a founder of IP Samdhan. The event provided a platform for dynamic discussions on the interplay between conventional intellectual property rights and the growing movement towards open access. Participants included a diverse group of IP professionals, academics, policymakers, and industry stakeholders who shared insights and experiences on how to effectively balance these two paradigms. The workshop featured engaging presentations on the benefits and challenges of open access, the legal frameworks governing traditional IP rights, and the potential for innovation and collaboration when these two approaches are harmonized. Attendees left with a deeper understanding of how to navigate the complexities of IP management in an era where open access is increasingly prioritized alongside traditional IP protections.



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UPCOMING EVENTS (July 2024-May 2025)

- 1. Intellectual Property Rights Workshop
- 2. <u>International Seminar</u>
- 3. <u>Credit course</u>