



Online International Workshop

On

WOMEN AND INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY RIGHTS

Organised by

CIRF-in-IPHD Center at Chanakya National Law University, Patna

Date: 14th May, 2023 **Time:** 10: 00 AM – 1:00 PM

Mode: Microsoft Teams Application

Event Report

The CIRF-in-IPHD at Chanakya National Law University, Patna organised an online International workshop on the topic "**Women and Intellectual Property Rights**" on 14th May, 2023 from 10: 00 AM to 1: 00 PM through MS Teams application. The workshop was attended by more than 50 students. The event was coordinated and moderated by Prof. Dr. Subhash Chandra Roy, Director of CIRF-in-IPHD.

The workshop aimed to explore the intersection of gender and intellectual property (IP) law, highlighting the unique challenges and opportunities faced by women in this field. With a diverse panel of experts and engaging discussions, the event sought to raise awareness and promote equitable access to IP for women innovators and creators. Hon'ble J. Mridula Mishra, Vice-chancellor, CNLU inaugurated the workshop with her address message on the theme of the workshop. The workshop was graced with the presence of the distinguished resource panel comprising **Dr. Annamma Samuel** (DPIIT-IPR Chair Professor, GNLU, Gujarat); **Dr. Sree P. Sudha** (DPIIT-IPR Chair Professor, DSNLU, Vishakhapatnam); **Prof. Manoj Mishra** (Electrical Engineering, College of Science and Technology, Phuentsholing, Bhutan); **Prof. Dr. Pritam Deb** (DPIIT-IPR Chair Professor, Tezpur University, Assam); **Dr. M. Sakthivel** (Assistant Professor, Indraprastha University, New Delhi); **Ms. Taslima Jahan** (Consultant and Academic of IP, Dhaka, Bangladesh); **Dr. Sreenivasulu N.S.** (Professor of Law, NUJS, Kolkatta) and **Prof. Amritha V. Shenoy** (Assistant Professor, Kathmandu School of Law, Nepal).

Throughout the session, the resource persons highlighted the key challenges/barriers faced by the women primarily being lack of awareness & education, accessibility to resources, gender bias and absence of supportive networking and mentorship. After discussing the current position of women in the field of IPR and the challenges faced by them, the speakers drew the attention towards the proposed initiatives that could improve and foster women growth in the field of IPR.

The intersection of women and intellectual property rights is an area ripe for development and empowerment. By addressing the barriers women face and promoting their contributions to innovation, we can create a more equitable IP landscape. Such workshops serve as a foundation for discussions, initiatives, and collaborations aimed at supporting women in the realm of intellectual property. The workshop successfully highlighted the critical role of women in the field of intellectual property and the importance of ensuring equitable access

to IP rights. The discussions and exchange of ideas at the event empowered the attendees to take active steps towards promoting gender equality in innovation and creativity.

SNAPSHOTS








