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In Collaboration with

Govt. Kaktiya P.G. College, Jagdalpur, Bastar, Chhattisgarh

Is organising

National Workshop (Online)

On

HARNESSING COMMUNITY INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY ASSETS FOR RURAL EMPOWERMENT

20th SEPTEMBER 2025 (Saturday) at 2:00 PM – 6:00 PM

Platform: Microsoft Teams

FREE REGISTRATION!

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Registration Link: <https://events.teams.microsoft.com/event/9142f26e-13be-4f26-afb3-1ea768b98d25@60c982bd-2bea-4257-83ea-27b3c7bd3bd7>

DISTINGUISHED SPEAKERS

CONCEPT NOTE

Community Intellectual Property (CIP) refers to the collective knowledge, cultural expressions, traditional practices, biodiversity, plant varieties and innovations held by indigenous and local communities. This includes traditional crafts, folklore, medicinal knowledge, and agricultural practices. CIP holds immense potential for generating sustainable employment, particularly in rural and marginalized areas, by fostering entrepreneurship and preserving cultural heritage. Harnessing CIP for rural empowerment involves recognizing, protecting, and leveraging traditional knowledge, cultural expressions, and local innovations to generate economic benefits and preserve heritage. Strategies include the use of geographic indications for traditional products, the protection of cultural heritage through laws like Panama's sui generis system, and the application of flexible IP tools such as Creative Commons licenses for knowledge sharing. This process fosters sustainable livelihoods, strengthens local economies, creates employment, and empowers communities to participate actively in global markets. Harnessing community intellectual property (IP) assets for rural empowerment faces significant challenges, from mismatches with standard legal systems to issues of exploitation and poor governance. Legal complexities, economic and market exploitation, cultural-social challenges prevent communities from receiving fair benefits from their own knowledge, products, and cultural expressions. This national workshop aims to bring together policymakers, academicians, IP experts, NGOs, entrepreneurs, and community representatives to explore the role of Community Intellectual Property in employment generation. It will focus on identifying frameworks for protecting CIP, promoting its commercialization, and developing community-led enterprises that foster self-reliance and economic growth.

Sub-theme

- Geographical Indication & Traditional Knowledge
- Traditional variety of seeds & Farmers Rights
- Medicinal Plants
- Traditional Cultural Expressions (TCE)



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Note: E-certificates shall be issued to those who register and attend the workshop.