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Intellectual Property represents the product/process emanating from the creativity of the human mind, human intellect and creative ideas. It can be an Invention, original Design, Trademark, artistic creation etc. In earlier times, physical or tangible assets like movable and immovable properties fetched the maximum value and the owner had an exclusive right over it. With time, new ideas cropped in, new concepts and means for the progress of mankind were thought of & new inventions came to the forefront, which brought about industrial, economic and cultural development in the society.

Given the relevance of IPR for working professionals in industries and academic institutions a National Symposium on "Intellectual Property Rights in Industry and Academia" was organized by the Department of Chemistry on 25th April 2024 in Hall-3 of the Central Auditorium building on the campus. The event was organized under the aegis of the Intellectual Property Awareness Mission (NIPAM), an initiative of the Government's "Azadi ka Amrit Mahotsav", which aims to provide awareness of intellectual property and its rights to 1 million students. The mission also aims to inculcate the spirit of creativity and innovation to students of higher education and ignite and inspire the students of colleges/Universities to innovate and protect their creations. The activity was also aligned with the Sustainable Development Goals 4 (Quality Education) and 8 (Decent work and Economic Growth).

For the inaugural session, **Dr. Shamim Ahamd**, Director and Head of IP & Legal at Aurigene Oncology, a specialized biotech company that focuses on oncology and operates as a subsidiary of Dr. Reddy's Laboratories was invited as the Chief Guest on the occasion, whereas **Prof. Syed Aqeel Ahamd**, Director,

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Human Resource Development Centre, Integral University was invited as the Guest of Honour. Professor Wahajul Haq, Dean, of Research and Development was also present on the occasion. After the welcome of the guests by Dr. Tahmeena Khan, Organizing secretary, Dean Faculty of Science, Head, Department of Chemistry, and convenor of the symposium Professor Abdul Rahman Khan delivered the welcome address and emphasized the importance of IPR awareness among researchers and students. He also appreciated the efforts of the organizing secretaries Professor Malik Nasibullah and Dr. Tahmeena Khan. Prof. Ageel Ahamd also lauded the efforts by the department to organize the event on a pertinent topic. Professor Wahajul Haq in the address shared the roles and responsibilities of the IPR cell of the university and how the institution is helping the researchers in patent filing and granting. The last address of the inaugural session was delivered by Dr. Shamim Ahamd who praised the university campus and hospitality during his first visit to the university. After his address, Dr. Tahmeena Khan in her concluding remarks shared that 140 registrations were received for the symposium from different institutions including Aligarh Muslim University, Aligarh, Banaras Hindu University, Varanasi, University of Lucknow, Isabella Thoburn College, Lucknow, Rajat P.G. College, Lucknow, St. John's College, Agra, Indian Institute of Information Technology-Allahabad, Jaipur National University, Jaipur, Shivnath Agarwal College, Mathura and Om Sterling Global University, Hisar and Integral University, Lucknow. The inaugural session ended after a memento presentation to the dignitaries and the organizing secretaries.

Technical Session I

The first expert speaker was **Dr. Shamim Ahamd**, Director and Head of IP & Legal at Aurigene Oncology (a Subsidiary of Dr. Reddy's Laboratories). He was introduced by **Professor Malik Nasibullah**. Dr. Ahmad gave an overview of IPR and encouraged the students to search and read patents online. He took simple examples to explain patent filing and explained what not to do during patent filing. He discussed patent searches for business purposes and various free and paid sites to access patents. Overall the session was very interactive and engaging. The students asked several questions on various aspects related to patent filing.

Technical session II

The second speaker of the day was **Dr. Shahida Umar**, Assistant Controller of Patents and Designs, Patent Office-Delhi, Ministry of Commerce and Industry, Govt. of India. She joined the programme through Google Meet. She was introduced to the audience by **Dr. Tahmeena Khan**. Trained in Fostering Innovation and Commercialisation of Intellectual Property Rights from Copenhagen Business School Executive Fonden, Denmark, Dr. Umar very ably explained the different examples of IPR through attractive illustrations. Later on, she described the patent filing procedure in India in detail and the different formalities and forms associated with patent filing. She shared information about the Indian Patent Office and its branches across the country. She also shared the different web addresses to access the information about filing.

After the second lecture, an impromptu quiz was organized for the students comprising ten questions. The winners were given prizes.

The vote of thanks was proposed by **Dr. Shahla Tanveer**, Assistant Professor, Department of Chemistry, which was followed by the National anthem and high tea for the participants.

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