# SIMATS DEEMED University

# **Patents and Copyright facilitation**

SIMATS houses an active Patent Facilitation Committee (PFC) for creating awareness and extend assistance on protecting Intellectual Property Rights (IPR) including Patents and Copyright. In addition to this, PFC also provides assistance to the inventors from SIMATS and other educational organisations to find out the potential of patents and assessment of the invention.

The central vision is to protect and promote intellectual property rights and encourage innovation and creativity among the students and faculties. PFC is also envisaged to facilitate the establishment of new start-ups. PFC at SIMATS is a single window system which provides facilitation and awareness on Patents and Copyrights among students, faculties and researchers.

Regular workshops one IPR awareness were conducted by the university Intellectual Property Right (IPR) Cell. The IPR cell organises the events for both undergraduate as well as postgraduate students. The members of the intellectual registration office were called as speakers to share their knowledge on patent filing. This workshop was first initiated as a stepping stone in the institute to create awareness in IPR.

The university has filed more than 300 patents till date and around 300 patents were published and more than 15 patents were commercialised. Total 10 workshops in IPR have been organised, 200 participants have benefited. The workshop focuses on the steps to file a new patent, patent drafting.

### **Objectives**

- 1. To enable understanding, Identifying and applying of Intellectual Property for new innovative ideas.
- 2. To provide IP Protection, Awareness and Training, Counselling and Advisory Services.
- 3. To educate and facilitate Start-ups on technology management and IPR
- 4. To sensitise stakeholders, students, faculties and researchers on IPR policies and procedures.
- 5. To facilitate the emergence of New Start-Ups

## **Functioning of PFC**

#### **Facilitation of IPR Protection**

PFC works closely with students and faculties at SIMATS to identify potential ideas/designs/innovations which could be translated into IPRs. The filtered and shortlisted ideas/designs/products will be assessed for its suitability for IP protection. It supports patenting of innovative ideas, filing, prosecuting patent and IPR applications. Apart from this, drafting and filing of patents are mediated through patent attorneys of PFC. The filing cost is entirely borne by the university and reimburse the fees spent for filing international patents. The entire process is mediated by the Techno legal team of PFC.

#### **Building IP Awareness and Training**

PFC strives to inculcate IP culture at SIMATS. Periodically organising awareness programs, training sessions for students and faculty development programs on IPR for faculties and researchers is a mandate of PFC.

## **Providing IP Information and Counselling Services**

PFC is responsible for facilitating patent drafting and other informations on IPR. The members of SIMATS can visit PFC and undergo counselling sessions on IPR implications. Counselling on patent commercialisation, invention promotion and Technology transfer is facilitated by PFC.

## Supporting Documents:

1. List of patents/Copyrights and the year they were published/awarded