

MINUTES OF THE MEETING TO DISCUSS THE PROGRESS OF
IPR CHAIRS SET UP BY THE
MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT & CSIR

A meeting to discuss the progress of the IPR Chairs set up by the Ministry of Human Resource Development & CSIR was held in the Chamber of Education Secretary on Thursday the 13th September, 2001 commencing at 11.00 a.m. at Shastri Bhawan. Shri M.K. Kaw, Education Secretary, chaired the meeting.

1. The list of participants may kindly be seen at Annexure-I.
2. Education Secretary opened the meeting by inviting comments from the Vice-Chancellors of Universities where IPR Chairs are being setup.
3. Prof. G.K. Mehta of Allahabad University informed that his University had received the corpus fund of Rs.1 crore from CSIR. The Executive Council of the University had decided that besides the Chairs, there should be two Cells:
 - (a) An IPR Co-coordinating Cell where teachers from various faculties would interact;
 - (b) An IP Cell that would be run on the interest received on the corpus fund. The idea is to create a regional center for inter-disciplinary research in which IPR is one part.
4. Prof. A.K. Kaul, Dean, Law Faculty, Delhi University, stated that the University would like the chair to develop as a South Asian Center for IPR studies. This would be an Inter Disciplinary Center and law would be one of the components. The University could however offer a piece of land for the Center.
5. Prof. Balu of Chennai University suggested that the terms and conditions of the bond could be made less stringent to enable the University to avail the grants released by the Ministry. There was no decision by Chennai University on to how to utilize Rs. 5 lakh received from the Ministry. The University wanted clear-cut confirmation that they would receive Rs.10 lakh per year for the Chair or a corpus fund of Rs. 1 crore.
6. Dr. Mohan Gopal, Director, National Law School University of India, informed that as far as the IPR Chair was concerned, the Executive Council of the School had decided that no Chair would be set up without at least an assured grant of Rs. 50 lakh. He further requested that a grant of Rs.50 lakh should be provided within five years with the yearly installment of Rs.10 lakh.
7. Smt. Bela Banerjee, Joint Secretary pointed out that the grant of Rs. 10 lakhs was an annual grant. At this stage, Financial Advisor pointed out that grant of Rs.10 lakh per year was more beneficial to the Universities than interest from a corpus fund considering the interest rate fluctuations. Education Secretary directed that a letter on the above be issued to the Universities assuring releasing Rs.10 lakh per year for the Chair.
8. Dr. Arun Nigevekar, Vice Chancellor, UGC, stressed on a multi-pronged strategy coordinated at Ministry of Human Resource Development or UGC level where three immediate areas should be looked into:
 - a) Producing legal experts on IPR;
 - b) Building a repository of material on IPR; and

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c) Providing advanced level of awareness for scientists.

9. After hearing the views of others, Shri Sanjay Narayan, Financial Advisor felt that UGC should fund the IPR Chairs in the long term. There should be a Central Unit within the Ministry, which would coordinate the functioning of the Chairs. Regarding funding the ministry may extend financial support for the first five years and after the 10th Plan the UGC could take over. He also suggested that any other expenditure involved in the functioning of the resource centers could be taken care of by the Ministry. It was pointed out by E.S. that transfer of scheme from the Co-ordinating Division, i.e. B.P.Division, to UGC will lose the focus and it need not be considered at this stage.

10. At the end of the meeting, Education Secretary directed that

(a) All universities to start functioning of the Chairs immediately. They may approach the Ministry for a further grant of Rs. 5 lakhs

(b) The funding by the department will continue in the 10th plan and the Universities are assured of Rs. 50 lakhs in the next 5 years in installments of Rs. 10 lakhs each per year.

(c) Within the next two months a meeting to be held with Department of Science & Technology & CSIR to discuss a general policy on IPR Education. The Vice-Chairman UGC will present a paper on the subject.

11. The meeting ended with the vote of thanks to the Chair.



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April 14, 2001

Ms. Bela Banerjee
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Department of Secondary Education & Higher Education
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Dear Ms. Banerjee.

It is with great pleasure that I am writing to you to thank you for your efforts that led to the prompt acceptance of our proposal for an IPR Chair at National Law School. We have received sanction orders for an amount of Rupees five lakhs and have duly acknowledged the same.

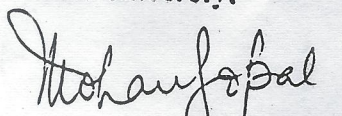
In our letter we had provided you with a detailed budgetary statement as to yearly expenses and the corresponding endowment amount. We had outlined the costs of supporting each of the independent activities. We appreciate that the Ministry is not in position to support all of the activities proposed and hence has reduced the amount granted. However, there has been no corresponding reduction of the obligations we are to undertake.

This mismatch between the obligations to be met and the amount sanctioned makes it difficult for us to execute the required bond with the Ministry. One way to go forward would be to treat the sanctioned amount of Rupees five lakhs as revenue expenditure for the year 2001-2002 to be used for staff and other resources while the corpus could be built in the next financial year.

Thank you for your kind consideration.

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Yours sincerely.


(DR. G. MOHAN GOPAL)

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19th March 2001

Shri. Maharaj Krishen Kaw,
Secretary,
Ministry of Human Resource Development,
Department of Secondary Education and Higher Education
Government of India
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Dear Shri. Maharaj Krishen Kaw,

Thank you for your letter dated 15th February 2001, which we received by post last week. Let me first express our deep appreciation to you and the Ministry of Human Resource Development for endowing a chair on intellectual property law. The chair will allow the National Law School to consolidate and strengthen our work in the area of intellectual property law.

As requested by you, within the time available, we have put together a broad proposal for setting up of an IPR Chair at the National Law School of India University(attached). The proposal seeks to cover the points you had highlighted. If there is any further information that you may require, please do not hesitate to get in touch with us.

I look forward to hearing from you,

Yours Sincerely,

O/c
(DR. G. MOHAN GOPAL)

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February 15, 2001

Dear Dr. Gopal,

As a measure to promote teaching of and research in Intellectual Property Rights, this Ministry has decided to set up an IPR Chair in your University.

2. I shall be grateful if you could kindly send your comprehensive proposal with the following details so that action could be taken either in the way of extending financial assistance by this Ministry or by recommending to WIPO for extending such assistance:

- (a) A write-up on the status and history of the institution
- (b) Write-up on the activities undertaken by the institution in the area of intellectual property rights so far.
- (c) Present infrastructure so far as teaching/research in IPR is concerned.
- (d) Need and justification for setting up of IPR Chair in the institution
- (e) Detailed financial estimates for setting up of IPR Chair.
- (f) Institution's own resource for setting up of IPR Chair.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

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Proposal For A Chair in IPR Law at NLSIU

The National Law School of India University, Bangalore was established by the National Law School Of India Act, [Karnataka Act 22 of 1986]. This University was the product of a four decade long reform effort that involved the country's brightest minds in the Bar, Bench and Legal Academy. This autonomous University was expected to be - and has become -- the flag bearer of reform in legal education and legal reform in India.

In a short span of 13 years NLSIU has emerged as the premier school of legal education, research and policy reform. During this period, NLSIU has established an accomplished post-graduate and under-graduate legal programme as well as a cluster of policy focused research centres. This combination of teaching and research programmes endows the Law School with a strong and dynamic intellectual ethos.

During the Uruguay round of the GATT negotiations, negotiating developing countries keenly appreciated the absence of a dedicated core of legal professionals who had a deep understanding of intellectual property issues. After the TRIPS agreement was signed the scientific and technology communities in the country were eager to cope with the new environment by advancing their understanding of Intellectual Property. At that point, NLSIU was the only institution in India that offered a regular graduate course in Intellectual Property and was uniquely positioned to take on that role.

In 1995 Dr. N. S. Gopalakrishnan, then faculty of NLSIU, mooted the idea of a Centre for Intellectual Property Rights Research and Advocacy (CIPRA). In 1998 CIPRA was established with a mandate of establishing a public interest IPR Centre. In the last three years CIPRA has gone from strength to strength, and has established itself as one of India's leading Intellectual Property Research and Advocacy centres.

CIPRA is currently Co-ordinated by Mr. Sudhir Krishnaswamy, who graduated from NLSIU in 1998 and then went onto complete a Research Masters at the University of Oxford. The Centre works with two National Law School - Infosys Research Scholars pursuing research degree programmes in the field of

Intellectual Property. Part time student research associates, student volunteers and our able support staff make up the rest of our team.

The activities organized by CIPRA include:

TEACHING:

- Undergraduate and post-graduate courses in Intellectual Property
- A module on IPR in the Master of Business Laws distance education programme .

CAPACITY BUILDING:

- Organising and conducting regular teacher training programmes for universities including the IIT's, IIMs and IISC.
- Building networks and mutually beneficent relationships with intellectual property professionals in Industry, Academy, Government and the NGO sector.

PROGRAMMES:

1. We have worked closely with WIPO and the Ministry of Human Resource Development to organize:
 - A National Workshop in IP Laws, 1997.
 - Workshop on IPR Rights and Patents laws at the National Institute of Advanced Studies IISC, Bangalore, 1998.
 - Training programmes on "IPR Laws and Practice" for staff at corporate entities including Dr. Reddy's Laboratories and Reliance Industries.
2. We have collaborated with the Ministry of Science and Technology to design and set up a comprehensive web portal on Indian Intellectual Property Law at www.iprlawindia.org. This Website is the most comprehensive web portal on Intellectual Property Law in India.
3. We have collaborated with and advised the various Ministries of the Union and State Government in the design an implementation of Intellectual Property Law. Our recent work includes
 - * Ongoing consultations with The Karnataka State government on the Karnataka State Zero-Piracy Policy on Computer Software 2001.

- * The Inter-Ministerial group of the Union Government on the Protection of Indigenous Knowledge 2000.
 - * The policy formulation and drafting of recent amendments to the patent, copyright and trademarks bills, 1999-2000.
 - * The consultations related to the Bio-diversity bill 2000.
 - * Dr. N.S. Gopalakrishnan, then faculty at NLSIU, was a member of the Government of India's negotiation team of the WIPO database treaty.
4. The Centre is currently involved with the School of Oriental and African Studies London, the Institute of Development Studies Sussex, ACTS Kenya and Research Information System, New Delhi in a comprehensive research study on the "International Governance Structures of Modern Biotechnology".
 5. We have also commissioned research papers to study and evaluate evolving policies in the fields of:
 - ◆ Geographical Indications
 - ◆ Digital Copyright
 - ◆ Zero Piracy Policy on Computer Software

In the next two years CIPRA aims to

- establish the leading national and global research centre for intellectual property law in a developing country.
 - To do this we intend to establish an IPR Resource and Documentation Centre that is a repository of IPR related materials generated globally and locally. This resource centre would support 5 full-time research associates who will pursue their research activities supervised by a Professor of Intellectual Property Law who will be the Chair holder.
- Engage with government, industry and civil society groups for the development of intellectual property policy and law the public interest. To do this, we wish to undertake
 - Training programmes for Lawyers, Judges, Industry and Government
 - to develop an effective dissemination strategy whereby research at the centre can influence the development of broader public policy
 - The use of conferences, seminar and travel by research associates to take part in national and international negotiations and events.

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- Legal Education and Capacity Building in the intellectual property community
 - Upgrading the current IPR website into a complete learning tool on the web.
 - introducing a LLM programme in Intellectual Property as well as a Post-graduate diploma in IPR that is offered through the distance education method.

In order to achieve these objectives, CIPRA has taken incremental albeit small steps. We have began the process of consolidating all our IPR Materials at a temporary space. NLSIU will endeavour to provide CIPRA with strong institutional support and guidance, both intellectual and administrative. Besides, these NLSIU can guarantee the highest standard of intellectual endeavour with a proven track record of delivery on research projects. The existence of a strong, teaching tradition in IP as well as a strong network with its alumni who are emerging as the young stars in the Intellectual Property Bar across the country will contribute immensely to the development of such a CIPRA.

The Chair on IPR will play a significance role in enabling CIPRA to achieve all these objectives set out above. The Chair on IPR will help support:

1) One Professorship in Intellectual Property Rights -	Rs. 375,000 per annum
2) Two Full Research Assistantships/teaching staff -	Rs. 340,000 per annum
3) Two full time Documentation and Support Staff -	Rs. 270,000 per annum
4) A Research fund - Documentation -	Rs. 50,000 per annum
Subscription to Leading Journals and Books -	Rs. 200,000 per annum
Research Related Costs including	
Travel and Contingencies -	Rs. 100,000
5) Dissemination Strategies	
Publication of Annual Journal -	Rs 30,000
Annual National Conference -	Rs 200,000
Two Training Programmes a Year -	Rs 60 000
6) Administrative Costs -	Rs 100,000
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Total Costs	<hr/>
7) Institutional fee @ 20% of costs -	Rs 345,000
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Grand Total - ✓	Rs 20, 70, 000 per annum
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To support this Chair on IPR Laws, an endowment of Rs 207,00,000 will be



needed, generating an interest of 10% an annum.
(Please note that the above does not include infrastructure (space/technology) costs).

February 14, 2000

Dear Dr. Rao,

I am sending herewith a detailed blue print of our program on learning IPR through internet. As I told you, we have developed a Web site on IPR which is going to be inaugurated soon. I am requesting the Hon' Minister for Education to inaugurate the same in the month of April just after the budget session.

Now that the Web site is already existing, education through the internet can start with the learning modules that we intend to place in the Site. We also propose to have a print copy of the same for those who do not have regular access to the net and supplement the same with audio and video facilities to enable the learners to get the feel of class room at home. We have enclosed a file that has thoughts on this line.

One of our faculty, Ms Srividhya, has been deputed to attend the Meeting of the Core Group on the Amendment of the Copyright Act. Ms Srividhya has been attending these meetings earlier. She is also master minding the development of the web site on IPR. Please feel free to discuss all the issues related to the enclosed proposal with her. Ms Srividhya can take care of the all your queries and needs. I also want to point out that Mr Suprio Das Gupta who has gone to talk an advanced course on IPR is also due to return this September from the USA. Together the team can work on this. We hope, we are able to launch the Learning web Site program successfully.

I am sorry that I am unable to attend the committee meeting on account of pressure of work. I will appreciate in the future if you can give me a little advance notice so that I can fit the meeting to my schedule.

Sincerely,

Dr. N. L. Mitra

Dr. P. H. Sethumadava Rao
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New Delhi

III. CONTENTS OF THE WEB-SITE

Under the guidance of Prof.N.L.Mitra, Prof. A. Jayagovind and Prof. G S Srividhya. and Prof. R. Muralidharan work as a team for the development of the web site including the selection and the presentation of the learning material to be included in the Site and the other relevant materials for the Learning Web-Site. They take full responsibility for the assurance regarding all the legal requirements concerning use of the materials.

At the same time, experts from different areas like industry, researchers and such others with specialization and knowledge of the IPR, are periodically consulted and their advice and suggestions are on the site and its developments are relied on to ensure that the Web-site performs its functions. As the project grows, an expanded group of experts and advisors will be constituted. One of the main resources that is contemplated to be included will be to use the knowledge and expertise of ATRIP members (Association for the Advancement and Teaching and Research in Intellectual Property), an organisation of Law Professors by taking guidance from them.

The contents of the Learning Web-site will be supplied in three formats:

- 1) HTML with associated images, etc.,
- 2) Intermediate electronic format in ASCII, MS-WORD, Word Perfect, etc., and
- 3) Print form.

The IP Learning Web-site has been registered in the name of www.iprlawindia.org. The inauguration of the Site is scheduled for the month March and the Honorable Education Minister would be invited for the same. The beta testing was under the name www.aptech-worldwide.com/.

The layout of the website contents will be as follows:

- (f) Strengthen the global movement of vigilantly protecting the IP and industrial interest
- (g) Running law courses on the Indian IP laws towards furthering the system for the implementing authorities, international diplomats etc.
- (h) Conducting researches at various levels on IPR related issues both on fundamental and applied basis.
- (i) Keeping in close touch with WIPO and the Ministry of Education for the fulfillment of various obligations of WIPO.

IN WITNESS whereof the parties hereto have executed this agreement (in duplicate) on the day, month and year first hereinabove appearing:

Signed and Delivered by _____
On behalf of WIPO.

Signed and Delivered by _____
On behalf of the Ministry of Education, Government of India, New Delhi.

Signed and Received by _____
On behalf of the National Law School of India University, Bangalore.

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account. Any income generated by this grant shall be applied in accordance with the terms of this Agreement exclusively for costs associated with the Chair.

3. WIPO through the Department of Education and the University shall constitute a Joint Consultative Group which shall discuss, formulate and evaluate the work programme to be assigned to the Chair of discharge of the responsibilities undertaken through this Memorandum.
4. The University shall select through the established procedures of the University and in consultation with the Ministry of Education, Government of India, a person with qualification and experience in the discipline as is prescribed by the Statute of the University.
5. The tenure of the Chairperson is ordinarily for a period of two years which can be renewed for equal periods from time to time subject to satisfactory performance, the age of retirement and fulfillment of other conditions as per service conditions of the University.
6. The Chairperson shall keep in close touch with the Ministry of Education, Government of India and shall meet the research requirement of the Department from time to time as a priority activity.
7. The responsibility of the Chairperson, inter alia, shall be –
 - (a) Designing various courses on intellectual property for the undergraduate and post graduate program for this University.
 - (b) Organizing and running regular teacher's training program for the teachers teaching IP laws in various Universities, IITs, IIMs IISc and other engineering and agricultural colleges. Each year there shall be two such programs for about 3 to 4 weeks to be completely residential in nature for which the University shall either generate its own fund or seek assistance from other funding agencies including the Government of India.
 - (c) Organizing and running training programs for the management officials for the industrial and government officials, NGOs and other who are also engaged in the process of implementation of IP Laws.
 - (d) Helping the Government in revising, amending and updating the IP laws of the country and continuing research on the changes and the various IP related aspects that are required to be made in view of the TRIPS obligation.
 - (e) Bringing out literature, case laws and case studies in IP Laws and practice in the country with and without the comparative structure relating to the world standards.

This MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING ("Agreement") made at Bangalore this Eighteenth Day of April Two Thousand between

World Intellectual Property Rights (WIPO) through The Ministry of Human Resources Development, Department, of Education, Government of India, New Delhi -110011, hereinafter referred as MOE, which expression shall, unless repugnant to or inconsistent with the context, mean and include its successors and assigns of the ONE PART.

AND

NATIONAL LAW SCHOOL OF INDIA UNIVERSITY, a University established by a Statute of the Legislature of the State of Karnataka, and having its principal address as National Law School of India University, Post Bag No. 7201, Nagabhavi, Bangalore - 560072, hereinafter referred to as the "University" or "NLSIU", which expression shall, unless repugnant to or inconsistent with the context, mean and include its successors and assigns of the OTHER PART,

WHEREAS

1. The University desires to establish, maintain and operate within the University, a Chair on Intellectual Property Rights Research and related Laws in order to systematically impart knowledge on skills on treaty negotiations and on substantive laws and practices in all intellectual property related laws under WIPO and WTO;
2. The Ministry of Human Resources Development, Department of Education is agreeable to assist in the establishment and endowing the Chair at the University to develop legal knowledge and skills in all matters related to WIPO and WTO;
3. The parties have decided to reduce the terms and conditions agreed upon, into writing and appended hereinafter to this Memorandum of Understanding;

The Terms and Conditions of this Agreement witnesseth as follows:

1. The University shall create a Chair for Intellectual Property Rights and related Laws and the Chair shall be named, "WIPO Chair on Intellectual Property Rights".
2. WIPO through the Department of Education, Government of India shall give a USD 100,000 to the University in two equal installments for creating the endowment of the Chair, which amount is to be kept by the University in an annual interest bearing

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MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

BETWEEN

THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT,
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, GOVERNMENT OF INDIA

NEW DELHI

AND

NATIONAL LAW SCHOOL OF INDIA UNIVERSITY
BANGALORE

THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT,
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, GOVERNMENT OF INDIA

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Some of the broad objectives as contemplated by us for the chair are :

1. Designing regular courses for IPR for undergraduate and post graduate Programs
2. Organizing and conducting regular teachers training program teaching IP laws in various Universities in India including the IITs, IISc, IIMs and other engineering and Agricultural colleges. Each year there shall be 2 such programs for about 3 to 4 weeks duration in IPR Law and practice.
3. Organizing and conducting training programs in IPR laws for the management officials of the Industrial houses, NGOs and other who are also engaged in the implementation of IP laws.
4. Helping the Government in revising, amending the IP laws and continuing research on the changes and the various IP related aspects that are required to be made in view of the TRIPS obligation.
5. Bring out literatures and case laws and studies on IP laws and practice specially with a comparison of the foreign laws to enable the India legal system and compliance to reach world standards.
6. Strengthen the global movement of vigilantly protecting the IP and industrial interest
7. Running law courses on the Indian IP laws towards furthering the system for the implementing authorities, international diplomats etc.
8. Conducting researches at various levels on IPR related issues both on fundamental and applied basis.
9. Keeping in close touch with WIPO for the fulfillment of various obligations of WIPO.

You can review our earlier communication in which we had indicated our objectives to be achieved through the Center for IPR Research and Advocacy under the Chair. For your reference I am enclosing the draft copy of the MOU as well. This is based on the terms and conditions in the Memorandum that we signed with the Ministry of Commerce for the establishment of a Chair in 1998.

Regards

N L Mitra

April 18, 2000

Dear Sir:

This is with reference to your letter dated April 6, 2000 towards the establishment of a "WIPO chair on IPR Studies and research" at the National Law School of India University. I must thank you personally for taking the initiative to establish the Chair which we are attempting from 1997 without any luck. In fact having established a Center for IPR Studies and Advocacy in NLSIU in 1997, we did conduct several courses, some of which were conducted with WIPO and the Ministry such as:

1. National Workshop on IP law , 1997
2. Training program on IPR for faculty of IITs, IIMs, IISc and various other reputed institutions with the assistance of the Government of India, June 1998.
3. Workshop on IPR rights and Patents laws organized by the NLS at the National Institute of Advanced Studies (NIAS) IISc Bangalore, 1998.
4. A series of law shops which were targeted for the corporate lawyers. We have trained corporate lawyers from big corporate houses like Dr Reddy's laboratories, Reliance Industries etc on IPR Laws and Practice.
5. We have also been funded by the Ministry of Science and Technology for the creation of a web site on IPR which has been completed. The site is due for inauguration and can be viewed at www.iprlawindia.org. We are also in the process of conducting web based training on IPR law and are hoping to get funding for which we have submitted a detailed proposal to you. This training site shall bring the class room to the home of the learner.

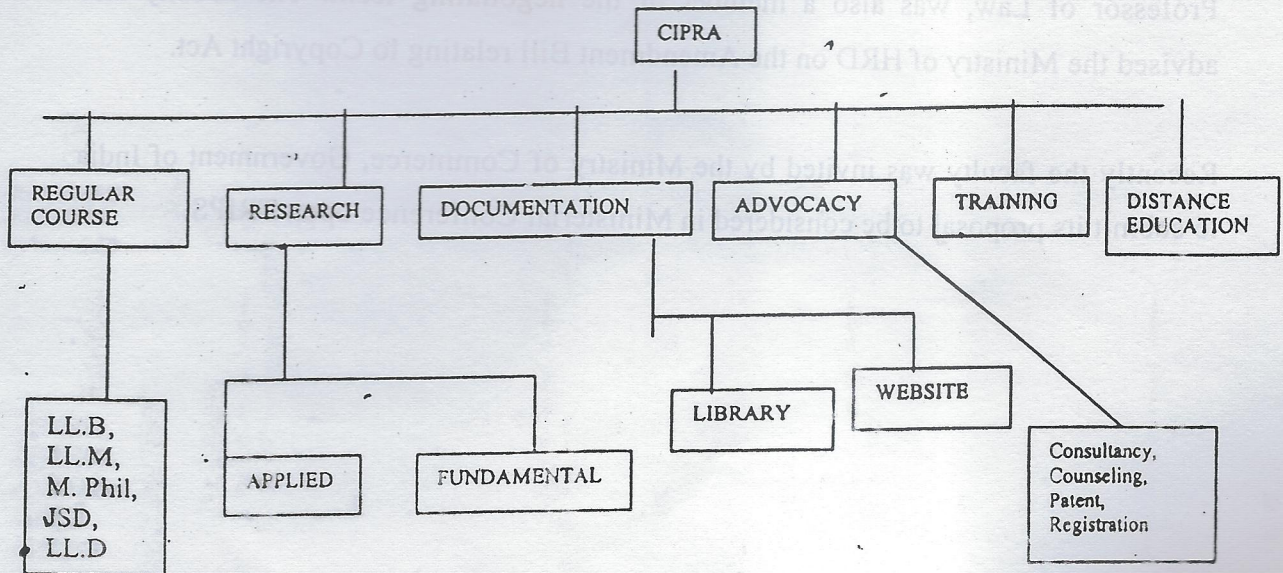
The NLS has been very keen on furthering and developing the knowledge base on IPR. We had written a letter to Dr Kamal Idris of WIPO way back in the year 1997 towards the establishment of a chair on this subject. I have enclosed a copy of the letter herewith for your perusal. We at the National Law School remain indebted to you for your initiative.

CENTRE FOR INTELLECTUAL PROPRETY RIGHTS, RESEARCH AND ADVOCACY (CIPRA)

I. GENESIS OF THE CENTRE

During the GATT negotiations, the country felt the need of Intellectual Property experts. During that time it was felt that in the next millennium, India would be contributing a large share in the development of the International Trade and development of Intellectual property. Immediately after signing the GATT, the scientific and technology communities felt the need to set up a committee to look into the matter. IISc., IITs, IIMs and the Agricultural Universities of the country came forward to join the committee. At that time, NLSIU was the only university where Intellectual Property was taught seriously in the regular undergraduate programme. The idea was mooted by Prof. N. S. Gopálakrishnan, the then faculty of NLSIU, to set up a Centre for Intellectual Property Rights Research and Advocacy. That was in the year 1995. Slowly, the Centre was institutionalized through its different activities from the beginning of 1997.

The Centre was institutionalized with the following mandates. The Centre is operating under two different cells within it. One dealing exclusively with Copyright and related matters, the other dealing with Patent and Technology matters. The Centre has both in-hose faculty who are qualified Patent Agents and also outside attorneys attached to it. At present, the Centre works as an adviser to Government Ministries and also both Public and Private research institutions.



I. THE ACTIVITIES OF CIPRA

TEACHING:

In the curriculum of NLSIU, Intellectual Property Rights Law teaching plays a very important role. It is taught as a regular course in the undergraduate programme. Besides this, various specialized aspects of IPR law are also offered as a part of the seminar courses in the same programme, such as, *Intellectual Property Regime of Bio-resource Management; Computer Law and Intellectual, Property and Industrial Property Licenses and Material Transfer Agreement*. Intellectual Property Rights Law is also taught in the Post-graduate Program as part of their specialized training under the leadership of Department of Business Law. Prof. Suprio Dasgupta and Mr. R. Muralidharan conduct the whole teaching programme. Other experts in this field also visit the classrooms for guest lectures.

RESEARCH:

The Centre has two-cells one deal with Copyright and related matters and the other deals with Patent and Technology related matters. It has also conducted research projects for Ministry of HRD, Department of Education; Ministry of Commerce; Ministry of Environment and Forest. The Centre has helped in drafting the Bio-diversity Legislation of the Government of India.

The Faculty of CIPRA was involved in helping the Government of India on negotiation of the Database Treaty of WIPO. Prof. N. S. Gopalakrishnan, Additional Professor of Law, was also a member of the negotiating team. The Faculty also advised the Ministry of HRD on the Amendment Bill relating to Copyright Act.

Recently the faculty was invited by the Ministry of Commerce, Government of India to submit its proposal to be considered in Ministerial Conference upon TRIPS.

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DOCUMENTATION:

The Centre is in the process of developing its specialized Library on Intellectual Property. The Centre has also a plan to convert the present form of library to a digital one. In the process, the Centre foresees to work as a repository to all sorts of information relating to intellectual Property.

The Centre through this present proposal plans to launch an Intellectual Property Learning Web site.

TRAINING:

The Centre has undertaken training programs on IP for the Law teachers, Scientists, Engineers, Management personnel and advocates. It has conducted several training workshops and teachers' training programs during 1997 and 1999.

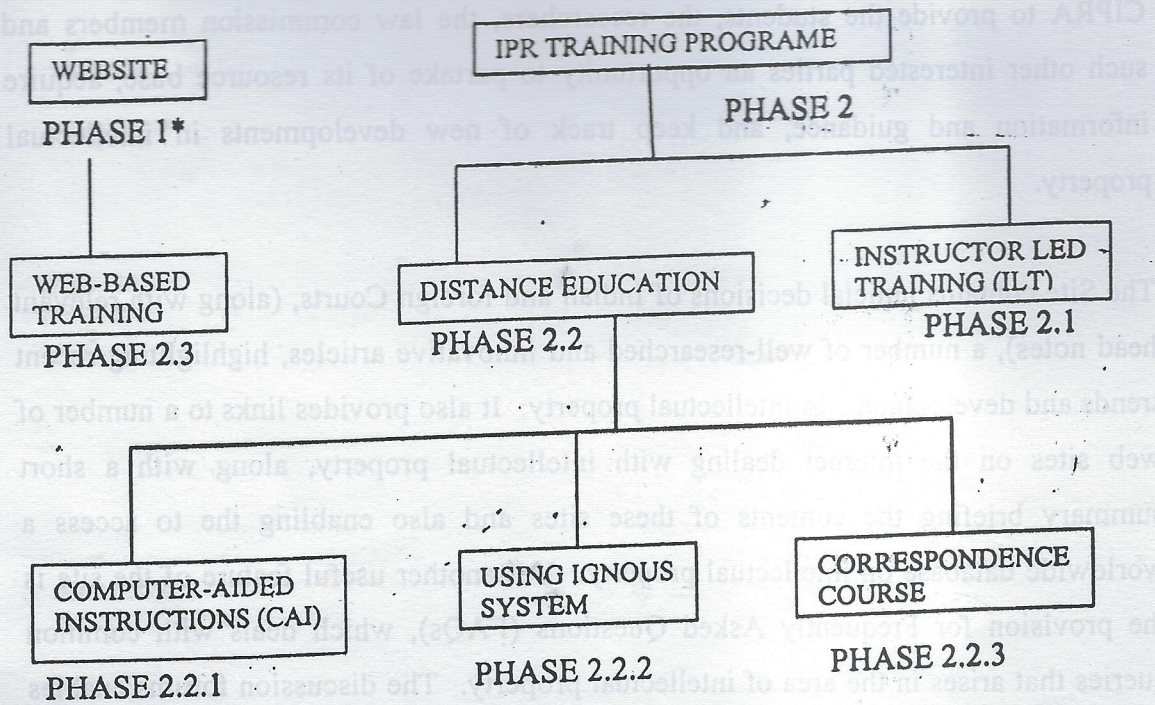
ADVOCACY:

The Centre offers consultancy and advocacy to various Ministries of the Central Government. To name the few are - Ministry of HRD, in Copyright and related matters; Ministry of Commerce in WTO matters, Ministry of Environment and Forest in Bio-diversity related matters; etc. The Centre also offers consultancy and advocacy to different research institutes both in public and private sectors.

DISTANCE EDUCATION:

NLSIU already has a Distance Education programme in *Master in Business Law, Post-Graduate Diploma in Medical Law and Ethics, Post-Graduate Diploma in Environmental Law and Diploma in Human Rights Law*. The Centre has a plan to offer *Master in Intellectual Property Law of Lawyers and Executives*.

IV. DETAILED PLAN



- PHASE 1 - COMPLETED
- PHASE 2 - TO BEGIN

V. PROPOSAL FOR ESTABLISHING THE IPR TRAINING ACADEMY

The CIPRA has started a comprehensive web-portal on IPR. The site was live on Sunday, 22nd October 2000. Dr. R. A. Mashelkar was the Chief guest of the function. The CIPRA is now ready to start the next phase of the activities as envisaged during the conceptual period of the Centre.

Towards that goal, the Centre now proposes to establish a Training Academy for capacity building in the country on IPR issues. The Academy will impart training to different groups of professionals. The Academy proposes to design sector modules for different training groups. For examples, one training module for Scientists, Engineers and Technologists; one for Bar and Bench members, one for government officials, one for Information Technology sectors, one for Bio-technology and Pharmaceutical

WEB SITE

CIPRA has also ventured into web-based awareness with the support of NISSAT into the creation of a comprehensive web site on IPR laws. The web site is an effort by CIPRA to provide the students, the researchers, the law commission members and such other interested parties an opportunity to partake of its resource base, acquire information and guidance, and keep track of new developments in intellectual property.

The Site contains judicial decisions of Indian and foreign Courts, (along with relevant head notes), a number of well-researched and innovative articles, highlighting recent trends and developments in intellectual property. It also provides links to a number of web sites on the internet dealing with intellectual property, along with a short summary briefing the contents of these sites and also enabling the to access a worldwide database on intellectual property. Yet another useful feature of the site is the provision for Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs), which deals with common queries that arises in the area of intellectual property. The discussion forums enables the users to post discussion issues and get them clarified in the Site itself. There is also a provision by which the law school can be contacted for consultancy and queries can be posted.

CIPRA seeks to highlight issues to focus on the IPR needs of developing countries. It also seeks to enhance the country's knowledge base in areas where there is little interest at present, but which are likely to emerge at the forefront of controversy in the future. In order to ensure that the country is not found lacking then, CIPRA plans to provide the country with the tools for responding to the future. These include, at the moment, areas such as Information Technology (IT), biotechnology, breeder's rights, traditional knowledge, trade secrets, etc.

The IP Learning Web-site has been registered in the name of www.iprlawindia.org.

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6. Teachers of multi-disciplinary subjects.
7. Government personnel.
8. NGO activities

VIII. YEAR WISE FINANCIAL REQUIREMENT OF THE PROJECT

(All the figures in Lakhs)

Serial No.	Item	Estimated cost for the 1 st year	Estimated cost for the 2 nd year	Estimated cost for the 3 rd year
1	Non-recurring	27,50,000		
2	Recurring cost for Office-management	02,88,000	02,88,000	02,88,000
3	Recurring cost for Training-Programms in a year	17,70,000	17,70,000	17,70,000
Total		48,08,000	20,58,000	20,58,000

(Figures in Lakhs)

Grand total of the estimated cost for 3 years	89,24,000
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ITEMIZED ESTIMATED COST

A. NON-RECURRING ESTIMATED COST:

(All figures or in Lakhs)

Serial No.	Items	Estimated cost
1	Publishing Reading Materials	15,00,000
2	Professional fee for Commissioning the work for preparing reading materials	05,00,000
3	Library documentation for the Academy	05,00,000
4	One Computer	50,000
5	One Printer	20,000
6	One UPS	10,000
7	One MS-Office Software	20,000
8	One Photocopier	1,50,000
	Total	27,50,000

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sectors and one for law teachers. The Academy proposes to conduct 6 such training programs in a year.

The Centre is seeking financial assistance, for both recurring and non-recurring expenditures for three years, to the tune of Rs. 89,24,000/-. Details are provided below.

The Centre also proposes to charge the participants of the training programmes and the amount collected from the training programme will be either ploughed back to the website for its annual maintenance or will be deposited in the correspondence fund to be created for the annual recurring cost of the Centre.

VI. OBJECTIVES OF THE TRAINING ACADEMY

1. To impart high quality training, in terms of content and organization.
2. To develop a faculty of experts on Intellectual Property.
3. To cater the needs of different professional sectors to equip themselves with the issues on IP.
4. To sensitise the scientists, science and technology personnel the important of Intellectual Property protection.
5. Conduct 10 Training courses in a year for various groups.
6. To develop an IP Advocacy Centre to serve mostly the science and technology.
7. Provide counseling, consultancy and advice to Government institutions, Universities and higher institutes of learning and NGO's

VII. BENEFICIARIES OF THE TRAINING PROGRAMME

1. Members of Bar and Bench.
2. Members associated with Patent, Trademarks and Copyright formalities.
3. People participating in negotiating Indian interests in International Intellectual property regime.
4. Teaching Community.
5. Science and Technology personnel.

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RECURRING EXPENDITURE FOR TRAINING PROGRAMME

Serial No.	Item	Estimated cost
1	5-day training Course for 25 participants @ Rs. 1,000/- per day including Boarding, Lodging and reading material	1,25,000
2	Traveling Allowances and Honorarium for outside Faculty (Return Air fare for 4 persons)	60,000
3	Institutional Ousted Charge, @ 40%	90,000
4	Misc.	20,000
5	Total	2,95,000
6	Total Requirement for 6 such training programs	17,70,000

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B. RECURRING EXPENDITURE OF OFFICE MANAGEMENT FOR A YEAR

Serial No.	Item	Estimated cost
1	Faculty Coordinator @ Rs. 15,000/- per month	1,80,000
2	One Secretarial Assistant @ Rs. 5000/- per month	60,000
3	One Office Assistant @ Rs. 4000/- per month	48,000
	Total	2,88,000

NATIONAL LAW SCHOOL OF INDIA UNIVERSITY

IPR CHAIR - Detailed budget estimate for the XI Five Year Plan [2007-08 to 2011-12]

Sl.no	Head	2007-2008 Rs.	2008-2009 Rs.	2009-2010 Rs.	2010-2011 Rs.	2011-2012 Rs.	TOTAL Rs.
1. NON RECURRING							
1	Equipment & accessories; Laptops, updated server, latest networking accessories, Office equipment, Web-resources such as subscription to online patent search facility, online journals	2000000	-	-	-	-	2000000
2	IP depository (Books, Journals, Subscription to Journals)	1500000	-	-	-	-	1500000
2 RECURRING							
1	Chair Professor Salary	731000	746000	766000	791000	821000	3855000
2	Research Assistants - Two - High Level fellowships of Rs.15000/- per month each & contingency of Rs.20000/- per month	600000	600000	600000	600000	600000	3000000
3	Ph.D. Fellowship @Rs.10000/- per person for 5 persons	600000	600000	600000	600000	600000	3000000
4	Administrative Assistant @ Rs.8000/- per month	96000	96000	96000	96000	96000	480000
5	Sub -Staff One @ Rs.4000/- per month	48000	48000	48000	48000	48000	240000
6	Domestic Travel (5 Trips / Year) including TADA	130000	140000	150000	160000	170000	750000
7	Publication of Journal	100000	100000	100000	100000	100000	500000
8	Publication of News Letters	100000	100000	100000	100000	100000	500000
9	Website maintenance	100000	100000	100000	100000	100000	500000
10	Overheads	50000	60000	70000	80000	100000	360000
	TOTAL	6055000	2590000	2630000	2675000	2735000	16685000

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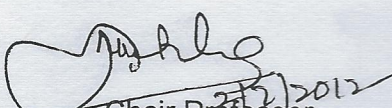
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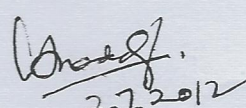
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Ministry of Human Resources Development (MHRD) Chair on IPR
Detailed Requirements of Funds for 2012-2013

Sl.No.	Head	Expenditure from April to June 2012	Expenditure to be spent from July 2012-March 2013	Total
I. NON RECURRING				
1.	Equipment & accessories, Laptops, updated server, latest networking accessories, office equipment, web resources such as subscription to online patent search facility, online journal			
2	IP depository (Books, Journals, Subscription to Journals)			
II. RECCURING				
1.	Chair Professor Salary	182239	1698622	1880861
2.	(a). Research Assistant (b). Research Assistant	75,000 -----	225000 200000	5,00,000
3.	Ph.D. Fellowship			
	@ Rs.12,000/- per month earn & contingency of Rs.25000/- per year for two fellowships)	-----	108000 12500	120500
4.	Supporting staff - Documentation assistant -Sub staff	206667 128333	413333 256667	620000 385000
5,	Travel Expenses	25333	174667	200000
6.	Publication of Journal and Subscription of IP journal		100000	100000
7.	Publication of newsletters		100000	100000
8.	Website maintenance and purchase of IP related books		100000	100000
9	Workshops/Conferences	NIL	6,50,000	6,50,000
10.	Miscellaneous expenses	2646	97354	100000
			Grand Total	4756361



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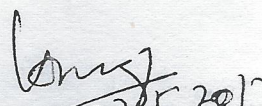

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Revised- Detailed requirements of funds for 2013-2014

Sl. NO	Head	Expenditure to be spent from April 2013 to March 2014	Total
I. NON RECURRING			
1.	Equipment and accessories, Laptops, updated server, latest networking accessories, office equipment, web resources such as subscription to online patent search facility, online journal		
2	IP depository (Books, Journals, Subscription to Journals)		
II.RECURRING			
1.	Chair Professor Salary	24,09,237-00	24,09,237-00
2.	(a) Research Assistant (25000 x 12) (b) Research Assistant (25000 x 12)	3,00,000-00 + 3,00,000-00	6,00,000-00
3.	Ph.D Fellowship :		
	(a) 1 st Year - 2 Jr Research Fellowship @ Rs.12000/- Per Month each + Contingency grant Rs.25,000/- Per Year to each fellow = (RS.1,44,000 +25000= Rs.1,69,000 x 2) (b) Departmental assistance for infrastructure 3000 x 2 (c) House Rent allowances 30% per year (12000 x 30% x 12 x 2)	3,38,000.00 + 6,000 + 86,400	4,30,400-00
4	Supporting staff - Documentation assistant - Sub staff	6,54,054-00 + 4,20,608-00	10,74,662-00
5	Travel Expenses	2,00,000-00	2,00,000-00
6	Publication of Journal and Subscription of IP Journal	1,00,000-00	1,00,000-00
7	Publication of Newsletters	1,00,000-00	1,00,000-00
8.	Website Maintenance and purchase of IP related books	1,00,000-00 + 10,00,000.00	11,00,000.00
9	Workshops/ Conferences	6,50,000-00	6,50,000-00
10	Miscellaneous expenses	1,00,000-00	1,00,000-00
		GRAND TOTAL	67,64,299-00


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