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To
The Registrar,
Veer Narmad South Gujarat University,
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Sub: Establishment of IPR Cell at Uka Tarsadia University by PIC -GUJCOST, Gandhinagar.

Ref: SSIP/10361/2021 dated 16/07/2021.

Dear Sir,

Greetings from Gujarat Council on Science & Technology (GUJCOST), Gandhinagar.

With reference to the above, we have received an Institutional agreement for sanctioning IPR Cell in your esteemed Veer Narmad South Gujarat University and we are happy to let you know that we will be pleased to establish IPR Cell at your organization.

Further, we are enclosing herewith the copy of institutional agreement signed by both the parties for your reference. We look forward for a successful and proactive relation from your institute in increasing the patent filing activity of the State of Gujarat.

We look forward to your kind support and cooperation in this regard.

Thank you and with kind regards.

Yours sincerely,

(Narottam Sahoo)

Encl: As above

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INSTITUTIONAL AGREEMENT

Establishing an IPR Cell at

Veer Narmad South Gujarat University

by

Gujarat Council on Science and Technology

Preamble

A Patent Information Centre (PIC), Gujarat has been set up under Gujarat Council on Science and Technology at Gandhinagar in collaboration with Patent Facilitation Centre, Technology Information, Forecasting & Assessment Council (TIFAC), Department of Science and Technology, Government of India, New Delhi. This center is providing regional level services regarding various Intellectual Property Rights. Patent Information Centre in collaboration with TIFAC is facilitating for the patent search and Patent registration for the Academic and Research Institutes. Patent Information Centre (PIC) is also providing general awareness on patent & specific issues related to other IPRs by organizing Seminar, Conference and publication of Information material on Intellectual Property Rights to create a strong IPR base in the state, to enhance the quality of Invention, innovation to increase the number of Intellectual Property Registration from the state. Patent Information Centre(PIC), GUJCOST have established IP facilitation Centre from the Ministry of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises especially for MSMEs.

Objectives of GUJCOST

- Creating awareness and understanding relating to patents and the challenges and opportunities in this area including arranging workshops, seminars, conferences etc.
- Providing patenting facilities to scientists and technologists in the country for Indian and foreign patents on a sustained basis
- Keeping a watch on developments in the area of IPR and make important issues known to policy makers Scientists, Industry etc.
- Introducing patent information as a vital input in the process of promotion of R&D programmes.

Establishment of IPR Cells in Universities of the state

For creating awareness and providing services and technical support on Intellectual Property Rights (IPRs), PIC of GUJCOST Gujarat establishes IPR Cells and render technical support to the established IPR Cells.

GUJCOST currently has established IPR cells at six universities in Gujarat which are given below

1 The M.S. University of Baroda, Vadodara
2 Gujarat University, Ahmedabad
3 Sardar Patel University, Vallabh Vidyanagar
4 Saurastra University, Rajkot
5 Sardar Krushinagar Dantiwada Agriculture University, Dantiwada
6 Parul University, Vadodara

The following parties:

GUJARAT COUNCIL ON SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (GUJCOST)

and

Veer Narmad South Gujarat University

Agree on the following

1. **Aim of the Agreement:**

   The aim of the present agreement is to define the procedures for the establishment of a IPR Cell at **Veer Narmad South Gujarat University** by **Gujarat Council on Science and Technology.**

   This agreement sets out the task, composition and organization of the IPR Cell and the conditions governing its implementation and management.

2. **Objective of the IPR Cell**
   The overall objective of the IPR Cell is to support intellectual property rights system in the university to foster creativity and innovation, thereby promoting entrepreneurship.

3. **Functions of the IPR Cell**
   The functions of the IPR cell shall include:
   - Conduct IPR awareness programmes in collaboration with PIC of GUJCOST.
   - Shall strive to provide the information to students, researchers, faculties and scientists about the need for protection of their creations and ways for protection of their inventions through IP.
   - Shall conduct seminars and conferences in the IPR domain and avail the funding facility of GUJCOST.
   - IPR cell shall organize customized programs for the specific needs of Inventor, entrepreneur, creator of arts, institute etc.
   - Shall include IP as a part of curriculum at the appropriate level (UGC mandate).
   - Shall conduct idea competitions and/or solicit inventions and grant prizes to the winners along with analyzing potential patentability of the product/process at least once a year
   - Shall adopt necessary means to connect with National IPR Policy and related campaigns like Make in India, Digital India, Skill India, Start-up India, Smart Cities, and other initiatives in the future.
   - Shall provide guidance to researchers on National priority areas of research.
   - Should provide activity report and outcome at the end of the year, including number of Patents, TM, Designs filed.
   - Should submit Utilization Certificate and Statement of Expenditure of the granted support by the end of financial year (If financial support is provided by GUJCOST)

4. **Duties of GUJCOST**

- GUJCOST will provide all technical support and academic collaboration to the IPR cell as a facilitator.
- GUJCOST can facilitate analyzing patentability of the inventions referred through IPR Cell at the host institute. Upon establishing patentability, facilitation is extended in filing the patents. The statuary fee for filing patents at patent office should be taken care by the host IPR Cell of the University.
- Provide information and render advisory support to conduct seminars, conferences, workshops etc. on IPRs as requested by the established IPR Cell.
- Direct and advise specific requests related to the services of host institutions as necessary

5. **Duties of the IPR Cell**

- To provide an IPR Cell coordinator and provide the coordinator contact information to GUJCOST to ensure that the center is operational on a full-time basis.
- Facilitate IPR applications filings by the university students, faculties, researchers, and scientists.
- Increase awareness of IP among universities and their affiliated colleges through IPR cells.
- The institute shall at least forward 20-50 patents in a year to PIC/GUJCOST for facilitation.
- Promote academic, industrial and business institution collaborations for promoting entrepreneurial development.
- To nominate at least one personnel from students, faculties, scientists or researchers for IPR related seminars organized by GUJCOST upon request.
- Maintain online record of the IPRs filed every year for IPR portfolio analysis.
- Provide GUJCOST with yearly activity reports in the prescribed format or as and when requested.

6. **Confidentiality**

- The parties will freely exchange information within the framework of this agreement.
- In case the information shared by a party is confidential, the other party shall be informed about such nature of the information in writing. In absence of any such communication, parties shall not be bound to treat the information shared under this agreement as confidential.
- Under no circumstances will restricted information or the one specified by either party as confidential be transferred to a third party by a Party without prior written consent of the other party.
- Any publication, document and/or paper arising out of joint work conducted by the parties pursuant to this agreement will be jointly owned. The use of the name, logo and/or official emblem of the Parties on any publication, document and/or paper will require prior permissions of both Parties.

7. **Disputes:**

- Any dispute which may arise in connection with the implementation, interpretation or application of this Institutional Agreement will be settled amicably between the parties through mutual consultations.

8. **Entry into Force:**

- This Agreement will come into effect on the day of its signature and will remain in force for a period of two (02) years. After the said initial period, the Agreement will be automatically extended for further periods of two years, unless one of the Parties notifies the other Party of its intention to terminate the Agreement, by sending a notice in writing at least 30 calendar days before the end of the then-current two-year period.
- This Agreement may be amended by the joint decision of the Parties, formalized by an exchange of written communications, specifying the date of its entry into force.
- Either Party shall communicate with the other, with at least thirty (30) days' notice, of its decision to end its participation in this Agreement.

Signatures

Name: Dr. Jaydip Chaudhari

Designation: In-charge Registrar

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I/C. Registrar
Veer Narmad South Gujarat University,
Surat-395 007.

(For Veer Narmad South Gujarat University)

Witness

1) Signature

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Address : Department of Bio-Science

2) Signature

Name Dr. Gaurav Shah

Address Department of Bio technology

Signatures

Name: Dr. Nasottam Sahoo

Designation: Advisor & Member Secretary, GUJCOST

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Gujarat Council on Science & Technology
Science & Tech. Department
Gandhinagar

(For Gujarat Council On Science and Technology)

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1) Signature

Name : Vatsal Tanna.

Address : GUJCOST, Gandhinagar.

2) Signature

Name Poonam Bhangara

Address GUJCOST, Gandhinagar