

Inauguration of three days workshop on “Interfacing Innovation and IPR for Licensing and Commercialization of Technology in the Changing Global Scenario with special reference to microbial genetic resources”

A three days workshop on “Interfacing Innovation and IPR for Licensing and Commercialization of Technology in the Changing Global Scenario with special reference to microbial genetic resources” from 18-20th Dec., 2014 is being held at NBAIM Mau as an activity under ICAR plan scheme “Intellectual Property Management/Commercialization of Agriculture Technology” with Dr. Renu, Senior Scientist cum ITMU, Member Secretary, NBAIM assisted by Dr Pawan Kumar Sharma, Principal Scientist; Dr K Pandyan, Scientist and Mr. Udai B. Singh as workshop coordinator. In total there are 20 registered participants. Beside this scientific, technical and administrative staff of NBAIM are also attending the workshop.



Three days long activity of workshop is divided into inaugural session, technical sessions, and hands on practical exercise session and plenary session. The first day activity included inaugural session coordinated by Dr. P.K. Sharma, started with the address by Dr. A. K. Sharma, Director NBAIM who welcomed Expert Guest Sh. R. Saha, Former Advisor, DST & Ex Director, PFC, TIFAC, GOI and Trainee participants. He stressed on the need to have awareness about technical details on protection of intellectual property and maximizing its usage through commercialization of technologies in the current global scenario. Dr. Alok Kumar Srivastava gave a brief about activities of NBAIM, its developmental stages, activities and achievements. Dr. Renu, workshop coordinator, gave brief on concept and objectives of due workshop and importance to bridge the knowledge gap on IP issues among researchers/innovators from applied point of view. A Technical Bulletin on “Intellectual Property Rights: Facts and Procedure in India” published by Director, NBAIM alongwith informative brochures on IPR were distributed with the workshop kit. Dr. K Panidiyan, Scientist, NBAIM proposed vote of thanks.

Lead lecture on “Overview of IPR- current scenario” was presented by Sh. Saha who gave a very detailed insight into various forms of intellectual property rights with examples and various acts pertaining to it in India.

Post lunch Technical Session 1 was chaired by Sh R Saha and rapporteur of the session was Dr K. Pandiyan. Dr P.K. Sharma, Principal Scientist, NBAIM gave lecture on “Patenting of Microbes”. He highlighted the historical development in patenting of microbes and microbiological process and comparison of patenting laws in different countries alongwith India. Shri. R. Saha elaborated on “Valuation of patents” explaining how to calculate cost of the patent. Mr Swapnil Gawande, Legal Advisor (IPR), Amrawati gave lecture on “Introduction to Intellectual property rights, application filing and procedure” All the lectures had active discussions and participation from audience end.