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(Ministry of Commerce and Industry, Government of India)
Chair on IPR and Centre for Intellectual Property Rights
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Organizes

Expert Lecture by

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On

Interface between IPR and Competition Law

July 24, 2021 (Saturday)

Maharashtra National Law University, Nagpur
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VIRTUAL EXPERT LECTURE ON INTERFACE BETWEEN IPR AND COMPETITION LAW

Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade (Ministry of Commerce and Industry, Government of India) Chair on IPR and Centre for Intellectual Property Rights, Maharashtra National Law University, Nagpur under the Expert Lecture Series is organizing a virtual lecture on **'INTERFACE BETWEEN IPR AND COMPETITION LAW'** is scheduled on July 24, 2021.

ABOUT THE UNIVERSITY

The Maharashtra National Law University, Nagpur, an Institution with a students' centric outlook, was established by the Government of Maharashtra in 2015. The University started its academic activities from August 1, 2016 and is currently in its fifth year of academic pursuits with five batches of undergraduate degree course [B.A.LL.B.(Hons.) Five-Year Integrated Degree Course]; fifth batch of postgraduate degree program [One-Year LL.M.]; and three batches of Ph.D. programme. The University is pursuing excellence in legal and justice education under the visionary mentorship of the Chancellor, Hon'ble Shri Justice Bhushan Gavai, Supreme Court of India and dynamic leadership of Prof. (Dr.) Vijender Kumar, Vice-Chancellor of the University. The University is recognised by the University Grants Commission (UGC) and the Bar Council of India (BCI), New Delhi. It is also a member of Association of Indian Universities (AIU), New Delhi and Consortium of National Law Universities of India. The University has launched B.A.LL.B. (Honors in Adjudication and Justicing) Five-Year Integrated Degree Course, the first-of-its-kind in India; it aims to train and equip students for the entry level of Judiciary.

ABOUT THE DPIIT IPR CHAIR

The Scheme for Pedagogy & Research in IPRs for Holistic Education & Academia (SPRIHA) was launched in the year 2016 by the Department for Promotion of Industries and Internal Trade (DPIIT), Ministry of Commerce and Industry, Government of India. The IPR Chair was

established under the scheme at selected Universities in India and MNLU, Nagpur takes pride in being one for them. The chair was established to fulfill one of the objectives of the National IPR Policy of the Government of India which was to 'Strengthen IP Chairs in educational institutes of higher learning to provide quality teaching and research, develop teaching capacity and curricula and evaluate their work on performance-based criteria'. The Objective of the National IPR Policy is to strengthen the IPR framework of the country. The plan under the initiative of 'AatmaNirbhar Bharat', is to create more local brands and take them at a global outreach and Intellectual Property Rights play a key role in it. To achieve the objective of 'AatmaNirbhar Bharat,' the DPIIT-IPR Chair is organising several activities such as launching online programmes to increase awareness, seminars, expert lectures for imparting knowledge on the process of acquiring IPR, etc. with an intention to help the participants become self-reliant.

CONCEPT NOTE

The law on intellectual property seeks to strike a balance between the exclusive right of the owner and the social interest. Bainbridge sums up "in the area of intellectual property the law strives to reach a balance between conflicting interests to reach a justifiable compromise. Justifiable on the ground of protecting the private interest and promoting investment and providing benefits for society at large in terms of increased wealth, knowledge and employment". Intellectual Property Rights (IPR) consists of a bundle of legal rights conferred upon the owner of intangible property to acquire the monopoly to utilize commercially his intellectual creations. Competition Law regulates competition so that there is no adverse effect on the market. IPR grants durational limited monopoly preventing creation of unlimited dominant position in the market. The objective of competition law is to prohibit abuse of dominant position, formation of anti-competitive agreements and regulating combinations and mergers. IPR also plays a positive role in encouraging innovation, technology creation, promotion of new business etc. therefore the role of IPR is also necessary.

Competition law and intellectual property law has different occupied field and enacted to cater to distinct objectives. There is a need to understand the smooth functioning of both laws. Competition law regulates those practices which have an anti-competitive effect on the market

and thus hampering the smooth functioning of the market. On the other hand, IPR talks about the exclusive monopoly right to the holder. The non-excludable character that has been created by IPR causes standstill between the two essentially which creates an interface between two respective laws. Thus, it creates a battle between the IPR and Competition laws that need to be resolved cordially.

IPR and competition law are complementary to each other and should thus not be viewed in isolation, provided that their scope tends to differ and, in some circumstances, disagree to a significant degree. In order to achieve the objectives of widespread competition and consumer welfare, it is, therefore, necessary to promote a balance between IPR and competition law, while at the same time protecting creativity by granting inventors adequate protection to enable them to recover their investment in research and development.

SCHEDULE FOR EXPERT LECTURE

The Expert Lecture by **Ms. Isheta Batra**, IP Counsel & Founder, TrailBlazer Advocates Delhi, on '**Interface between IPR and Competition Law**' is scheduled on **July 24, 2021** at **11:00 am**.

Registration Details:

The registration to the expert lecture is open to

- Law students
- Academicians and Researchers
- Stakeholders
- Practising advocates and professionals

Registration Fee –There is no registration fee for the expert lecture. Prior registration to the expert lecture is **mandatory**.

Registration Link- <https://forms.gle/yBnK7TkJhkQ1Lpy5>

- * All participants will receive a link to the Expert Lecture which will be held using the online platform ‘Cisco Webex’ and all participants who have registered using the above link will receive the link by July 24, 2021.
- * All participants of the round table will receive an Electronic certificate (e-certificate)

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