

IMPARTING KNOWLEDGE ON LATEST CORPORATE LEGAL AND INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY MATTERS

KNOWLEDGENTIA SECURES IP FOR CLIENTS IN MULTIPLE DOMAINS



Starts ups registered as private limited companies, sole proprietorships dealing in all kinds of goods, Professors from universities ; Knowledgentia Consultants has secured patents , trademarks and copyright for our clients working in diverse areas and sectors.

INDIA –UK INTERNATIONAL VIRTUAL CONFERENCE ON IP

04.05.2022-06.05.2022



Nottingham Trent University



Knowledgentia Consultants participated in an International Conference on Intellectual Property Rights was organised Online by the Panjab University from May 4-6, 2022 to commemorate World IPR Day and its theme of Youth and IPR. The conference was hosted jointly by Nottingham Trent University and the Panjab University evoking great response from academia and industry alike, acting as a forum for all to come together and exchange views for shared growth. The participants were eminent scientists and researchers from UK and India. Views from both countries were presented, and hopefully fruitful collaborations will emerge out of it in the future.

POSH TRAINING FOR ICC

Monday,30.05.2022



IMPORTANCE AND BENEFITS OF PREVENTION OF SEXUAL HARASSMENT (POSH) TRAINING FOR YOUR EMPLOYEES

Experts from Knowledgentia Consultants conducted an online POSH training session for Internal Complaints Committee members of Hitachi Lift India Limited on 30.05.2022 at 10.00 AM IST. We are glad to partner with various corporates to establish a safe and secure working environment for all.

START UP FUNDING SESSION WITH SHAHANK RANDEV

Tuesday,31.05.2022



Knowledgentia Consultants participated in an event conducted by SACC India in partnership with Startup Punjab. The event saw participation from around 60 startups in tricity and the session by Shashank Randev, founder partner of 100x VC raising funds for startup became the highlight of the event. With mushrooming of start ups across varied sector, tricity has indeed taken a giant leap in entrepreneurship sector in past few years.

UZBEKISTAN ADOPTS ITS FIRST LAW ON GEOGRAPHICAL INDICATIONS

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The Law on Geographical Indication has finally come into force in Uzbekistan. Though, a law had already been in force providing specifics for trademarks, service marks and names of place of origin of goods; adoption of this new law reaffirms how nations across the world are engaged in strengthening their IP systems in the post pandemic digital era. This new law defines Geographical Indications and introduces new rules and grounds for registration of and use. It also provides for registration of new national GI's, the right to use existing GI's and registration as well as recognition of foreign GI's. This law however does not provide any provisions for penalties for breach of the law. Uzbekistan currently having 2 National GI is expected to see many new registrations in the coming time with this new law.

WIPO TEMPORARILY SUSPENDS UA-DRP PROCEEDINGS

Ref:petosevic.com, Wednesday,04.05.2022



An announcement was recently made by Ukraine .UA domain operator Hostmaster on its website regarding WIPO Arbitration and Mediation Center temporarily suspending its domain name dispute resolution services on account of imposition of martial law in the

country. .UA Domain Name Dispute Resolution Policy shall remain suspended until further notice and no new registration requests shall be entertained. Ongoing military actions have been making it difficult for Ukrainian Registrars and parties to dispute to participate in arbitration proceedings. UA-DRP is a dispute resolution mechanism administered by WIPO Arbitration and Mediation Center. For a successful complaint it must be proved that complainant's trademark is identical or confusingly similar to domain name, domain name registrant has no legitimate rights and domain name is being used in bad faith. Domain name cancellation and transfer to complainant are few remedies available to the registrant.

FIRST GENDER AWARENESS AND SENSITISATION WORKSHOP AT ALLAHABAD HC

Ref: Aljazeera.co.in,Thursday, 05.05.2022



The first ever Gender Awareness and Sensitization session in Allahabad High Court was conducted by High Court's Internal Complaints Committee this year. The need for awareness of gender roles for better interpersonal relations between men and women and a positive working environment is being considered as one of the most important practices for any organization. The High Court by taking the lead and putting the laws and guidelines into practice through this workshop has definitely set an encouraging example for the rest of the country.

ALLOCATION OF FUNDS TO PROMOTE START-UPS

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**Ref:economictimes.indiatimes.com,
Friday,06.05.2022**



The Department of Pharmaceuticals has recommended allocation of a fixed percentage of not less than 1 percent of annual budget of institutes to fund and promote innovation and start-up related activities in the sector. Institutes are also eligible to take fixed percentage of equity in start-ups/spin offs companies in lieu of services and facilities they provide. The department has prepared some common guidelines on pharmaceutical innovation and entrepreneurship for academic institutions under its control such as NIPER. These guidelines have been based on National Innovation & Start up Policy 2019 which had been enacted to transform academic research into innovative and commercially applicable technologies/products, build a strong ecosystem for nurturing creativity and entrepreneurial activities thereby contributing to Self Reliant India Mission. These guidelines will evaluate entrepreneurial initiatives on regular basis using well defined impact assessment parameters such as IP filed, products developed and commercialized and employment generated and startups created. A proposal for relaxation in attendance for students so that they can devote time for their start up ventures is also in the pipeline. With a vision to promote Indian pharma sector as global leader for quality medicines, these policy guidelines which have been forwarded to all NIPERs will add great value to the ecosystem.

RECORD-BREAKING PATENT FILINGS BY ISRO

**Ref:timesofindia.indiatimes.com,
Wednesday,18.05.2022**



The India Space Research Organisation, has 193 active patents, 73 copyright and 13 trademarks to its name as of may 2022. Apart from developing technologies and processes, ISRO has also been actively engaging in transferring technology to private industry. Majority of tech transfers are in the field of electronics & computer based technology as well as telecom broadcasting, chemical and special materials from single largest cluster. Clearly, the future of the mankind rests on how much potential frontier technologies have and to what extent the same can be utilized by humans.

SHARING RESEARCH INFRASTRUCTURE AT LOWER COST

**Ref:economictimes.indiatimes.com,Sunday,
22.05.2022**



With the release of Centre's Scientific Research Infrastructure Sharing Maintenance and Networks guidelines, for sharing scientific equipment at small cost, it will now be easier for researchers from smaller cities to access expensive research infrastructure at state- funded institutions. These guidelines also seek to

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incentivize the institutions by rating them for extent of participation in the initiative which may have a bearing on funds they receive in the future. With this initiative, there is expected to be improvement in the efficiency of public expenditure by sharing of expensive and state of the art publicly funded research infrastructure. Promoting domestic instrumentation industry by encouraging universities and research and development institutions to set up start-ups to manufacture research instruments and develop workforce for its maintenance will be a crucial initiative of these guidelines. Individual researchers availing these facilities will continue to enjoy intellectual property rights provided they acknowledge the benefit received by accessing and sharing the research infrastructure. Special Purpose Vehicle is expected to set up for implementation of these guidelines under overall control and supervision of Department of Science and Technology.

SECTION 63 OF COPYRIGHT ACT IS COGNISABLE AND NON-BAILABLE Ref:barandbench.com,Monday, 23.05.2022



The Supreme Court in the case titled *Knit Pro International v State NCT of Delhi 2022* LiveLaw (SC) 505 has recently held that offence of copyright infringement under Section-63 of the Copyright Act is cognizable and non-bailable offence. In this case, an application was filed under CrPc seeking directions from Chief Metropolitan Magistrate for the registration of FIR for offences under Copyright Act and IPC. After registration of FIR, the accused filed a write petition in the high court seeking quashing of criminal proceedings on the grounds that

offence under Section-63 of the Copyright Act is not cognizable and is non-bailable. The High Court subsequently quashed the FIR. In appeal proceedings, the Apex Court set aside the orders passed by High Court noted that maximum punishment that can be imposed under Section 63 would be three years and therefore, the Magistrate can sentence the accused for three years imprisonment as well. This makes this offence a cognizable and non-bailable one.

2021 MILITARY GENDER ADVOCATE OF THE YEAR AWARD

Ref:un.org,Tuesday, 24.05.2022



Military Observer, Major Winnet Zharare is the first Zimbabwean Peacekeeper to win the prestigious- United Nations “Military Gender Advocate of the Year Award”. This award recognizes dedication and efforts of an individual military peacemaker in promoting principles of United Nations Resolution 1325 on women, peace and security. Major Zharare, has been advocating for gender parity and women’s participation in an environment where they are traditionally excluded from decision making ensuring that patrols included both women and men. She has been successful in encouraging men and women to work together in farming and in construction of dikes around Bentiu town to alleviate food shortages and prevent further displacements.

LICENSE TO PLAY SONGS DURING WEDDINGS

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In the case titled Novex Communications Private Limited v. Union of India & Anr, Punjab & Haryana High Court quashed a public notice issued by Registrar of Copyright stating that usage of sound recordings during the course of religious or marriage ceremonies does not require obtaining any license as the same does not amount to copyright infringement. Thus, HC order unequivocally clarifies requirement of a license for playing music and sound recordings during festivities associated with weddings. The petitioner in this case is a satellite channel distributing company involved in broadcasting media solutions. This company is owner of established music labels and authorized agent of Yash Raj Films Private Limited for valuable consideration. All agreements confer public performance rights in sound recordings that include communication of sound recordings during live concerts as well as events. HC order clarified that public notice cannot override provisions of Copyright Law and is violative of doctrine of separation of power.



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