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Sub: Setting up of Intellectual Property Rights (IPR) Cell at North Lakhimpur College.

Ref.: Your Letter dated 12th August, 2023.

Sir,

Inviting a kind reference to the subject and letter cited above, we are pleased to accept your proposal in establishing IPR cell at your college. An amount of Rs 50,000/- (Rupees fifty thousand) only has been sanctioned for the establishment of the IPR Cell and to carry out the IPR related activities at your institute.

The Patent Information Centre (PIC) of ASTEC is supported by the Department of Science & Technology, Government of India and the Government of Assam, for guiding and facilitating inventors and innovators of the state for the protection of Intellectual Property. Since the year 2003, the PIC-ASTEC has been actively facilitating IPR activities in universities, autonomous colleges, and deemed universities, coordinating with the established IPR Cells to take up IPR-based activities, mainly patents.

The objectives of the IPR Cells are as follows:

1. To organize awareness programs on IPRs, especially Patents, in the centre and neighboring region,
2. To provide information to students, researchers, faculties and common people of the region regarding Patent filing and patentability of their work,
3. To extend support for Geographical Indications (GI), Plant Variety Protection & Farmers' Rights (PPVFR), Copyrights, proper documentation for Traditional Knowledge Digital Library (TKDL) etc.,
4. To maintain strong cohesion with PICs, Science & Technology based institutions and other departments of the state for channelizing Intellectual Property towards protection and implementation.

In this context, we would like to inform you the following few guidelines for smooth functioning of the IPR-Cell.

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1. The IPR Cell will facilitate students, researchers, faculties and other people of the region in the different IPR related activities without any charge and open for all.
2. The said IPR Cell shall be headed by a Coordinator (Assistant Professor/Associate Professor/Professor/Head of the Department) and have a team for carrying out the above-mentioned activities.
3. A Financial grant shall be provided from PIC based on the merit of the proposal and available budget, that shall be used to meet the objectives of the IPR Cell along with other financial assistance from the University/College, if provided. Furthermore, the financial grant shall be only provided subject to the availability of fund from the funding agencies.
4. The University/College should also provide dedicated space for functioning of the IPR cell, without any financial involvement.
5. At the end of each financial year, a performance report with 6-10 good quality photographs, the Utilization Certificates (U.C.) & Statement of Expenditure (SoE) have to be submitted from the IPR Cell to be intimated to Department of Science & Technology, Government of India through the PIC-ASTEC.

In this regard, I would like to request you kindly to send us an acknowledgement for setting up the IPR Cell, accepting the aforementioned terms and conditions, along with the names of the coordinator and other members of the designated IPR Cell.

I am looking forward for your kind cooperation to improve the IPR scenario of the state.

Yours Sincerely,

(Jaideep Baruah)

