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CIRCULAR

Index Institute of Dental Sciences, Indore is organizing a program entitled 'Role of Intellectual Property in Healthcare Sector' to enhance the skills and knowledge of the students. All the faculty members, interns and post graduate students are invited to attend the workshop. It will be held on 25/11/2023.

S. Ganguly

Dean
Index Institute of Dental Sciences,
Indore



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REPORT

Date : 25/11/2023

Venue : Lecture Hall No. 3, IIDS

Number of attendees : 25

A workshop was organized by Index Institute of Dental Sciences on 25/11/23 entitled 'Role of Intellectual Property In Healthcare Sector' by Mr.Gaurav Choubey and his team. The speaker introduced the topic to the students by addressing the importance of intellectual property serving as a driving force for innovation, research, and development. Mr. Gaurav emphasized on the significance of intellectual property in healthcare, examining how patents, trademarks, copyrights, and trade secrets contribute to the growth of the industry.

He also delved into the challenges and ethical considerations associated with IP in healthcare, emphasizing the balance between fostering innovation and ensuring affordable access to healthcare solutions. He stated healthcare sector as a dynamic and rapidly evolving field that heavily relies on innovation to address emerging challenges and improve patient outcomes. Additionally he explained that the intellectual property, patents, trademarks, copyrights, and trade secrets, plays a pivotal role in incentivizing innovation by providing legal protection for the creations and discoveries made by individuals and organizations in the healthcare industry. The speaker explained about each of them in detail as follows,

- **Patents in Healthcare:** According to him, patents are a cornerstone of intellectual property in the healthcare sector. They grant inventors exclusive rights to their innovations for a set period, encouraging investment in research and development. He added up tating that the pharmaceutical companies, in particular, heavily depend on patents to protect their investments in drug discovery and development. However, the balance between granting exclusivity and ensuring affordable access to life-saving medications remains a contentious issue.

- **Trademarks and Branding:** The speaker explained the role of trademarks as something vital in the healthcare sector for establishing brand identity and ensuring consumer trust. He stated that recognizable trademarks help patients and healthcare professionals identify and choose specific products and services. Branding also contributes to market competition, encouraging companies to maintain high standards and quality in their healthcare offerings, as per his studies.
- **Copyrights in Healthcare:** About the Copyright protection, the speaker mentioned that, it extends to original works of authorship, and in healthcare, this includes written materials, software, and creative content. Research papers, medical textbooks, software applications, and educational materials are all subject to copyright protection.
- **Trade Secrets and Confidential Information:** The speaker mentioned that, in addition to formal intellectual property rights, trade secrets and confidential information are crucial in healthcare. He added up stating that, companies often invest significant resources in research and development, and protecting proprietary information through trade secrets is essential for maintaining a competitive edge as per stated by him.
- **Challenges and Ethical Considerations:** He explained the role of intellectual property in healthcare is not without challenges. Balancing the need for innovation with concerns about access to essential medicines and healthcare services is a complex ethical dilemma. He emphasized stating that striking the right balance requires a multi-stakeholder approach involving governments, industry, and public interest groups.

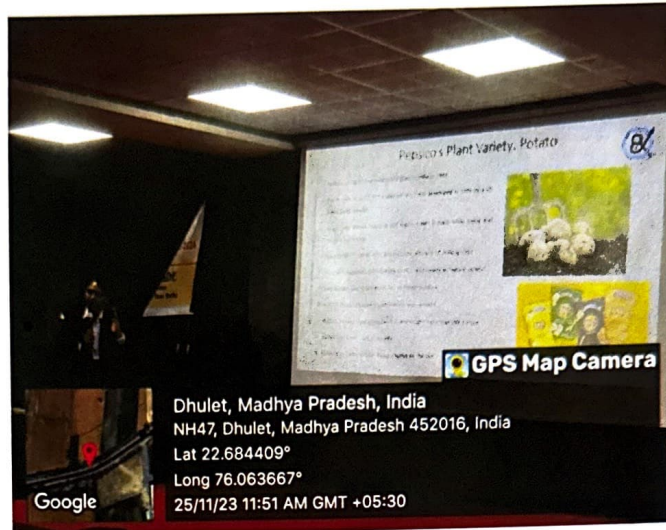
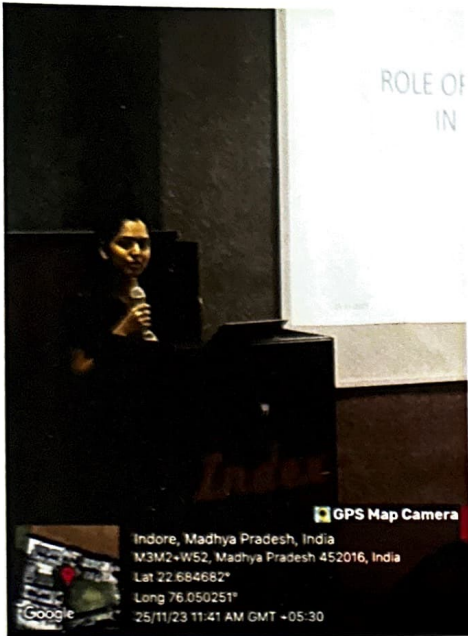
On the end note, he concluded by stating that, intellectual property is indispensable in the healthcare sector, driving innovation, protecting investments, and fostering competition. Following the session, Dr. Suparna Ganguly, Dean, Index institute of Dental Sciences, felicitated the speaker with a memento.

List Of Attendees

1. Dr. Geetika Pable
2. Dr. Purvee
3. Dr. Mahima Mathur
4. Dr. Anshul
5. Dr. Niraj Tikar
6. Dr. Arpita Chouhan
7. Dr. Guruprasann
8. Dr. Meenakshi Agrawal
9. Sanjana Rojatkar
10. Aastha Shukla
11. Nayla Sharma
12. Harshad Parmar
13. Jaya Soni
14. Dr. Priyanka Jaiswal
15. Fela
16. Ami Thakur
17. Mohak Jain
18. Hitesh Navare
19. Fiza Khan
20. Shaily
21. Chelsea Dhoke
22. Aruman Pandey
23. Chandani Jodhwani
24. Saloni Soni

**INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY RIGHTS IN HEALTHCARE SECTOR BY:
MR. GAURAV CHOUBEY**

Date: 25/11/23



**Role of intellectual property rights
in healthcare sector as explained by Mr. Gaurav Choubey**

Felicitation of the speaker



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