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Master Class Episode 45

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Topic: - “How to file Patents: Understanding the Patent Filing Process in India”
Date: 1 st February 2022 from 04.30 PM to 05:30 PM
Venue: - Online
Speaker: -Mrs. Pooja Kumar, Founder Director, Innove Intellects LLP, Uttar Pradesh
Number of participants: - 74
Introduction: - This session featured: Mrs. Pooja Kumar, Founder Director, Innove Intellects LLP, Uttar Pradesh, India. The event was moderated by Dr. Surya Prakash, Associate Professor- SPM, IIHMR University, Jaipur and the Student coordinator is Mr. Anis Khan MBA PM Batch 12.
<p>Objective: Compelling and clear objective statement for "From Pill First to Health First... A Marketer's Travelogue", which seems to be a narrative or presentation exploring the evolving role of marketing in the healthcare or pharmaceutical industry:</p> <p>Objective:</p> <p>To provide a comprehensive understanding of the patent filing process in India, including eligibility criteria, types of patents, step-by-step procedural guidance, documentation requirements, and key legal considerations. The session aims to equip innovators, entrepreneurs, researchers, and startups with the necessary knowledge to protect their intellectual property effectively under the Indian Patent Act.</p>
<p>Salient Novel Points Covered:</p> <p>The Salient Novel Points of "How to File Patents: Understanding the Patent Filing Process in India", highlighting key takeaways and unique aspects of the Indian patent filing journey:</p> <p>Salient Novel Points:</p> <p>Definition and Scope of a Patent in India</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A patent protects a novel invention—product or process—that is new, involves an inventive step, and is industrially applicable. • India follows a "first-to-file" system, making early filing critical. <p>Types of Patent Applications</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provisional Application – For early filing with an incomplete invention (gives 12 months to file complete specs). • Complete Specification – Final, detailed application. • Other types: PCT National Phase, Divisional, and Patent of Addition.

Importance of Prior Art Search

- Conducting a pre-filing patent search helps check existing inventions and strengthens the patent application.
- Tools: IP India, WIPO, Google Patents, etc.

Legal Rights and Term

- A granted patent offers 20 years of exclusive rights, allowing the inventor to prevent others from making, using, or selling the invention without permission.

Role:

Role of "How to File Patents: Understanding the Patent Filing Process in India"

- Educational Resource for Innovators
- Practical Guide for Patent Filing
- Empowerment through Legal Awareness
- Bridge Between Innovation and Commercialization
- Connects to Global IP Systems

Challenges and Opportunities:

Challenges and Opportunities of Filing Patents in India

Challenges

Lack of Awareness & IP Literacy

- Many innovators are unaware of patent laws, processes, or the importance of timely filing.
- Results in missed opportunities or public disclosures that destroy novelty.

2. Complex Legal Language

- Patent specifications require highly technical and legal precision, making self-filing risky without expert help.

Lengthy and Bureaucratic Process

- The process from filing to grant can be time-consuming, especially under ordinary examination.
- Frequent office actions and objections may delay grant or lead to rejections.

4. High Costs for SMEs and Individuals

- Though subsidized schemes exist, professional drafting, filing, and legal fees can still be a burden for startups and solo inventors.

Opportunities

1. Government Support Programs

- Initiatives like Startup India, Make in India, and SIPP (Scheme for Facilitating Startups Intellectual Property Protection) offer fee reductions and IP facilitation.

2. Increasing Patent Culture

- Growing awareness of IP in academic institutions, incubators, and startups is

boosting India's innovation output.

Digital health tools, apps, and wearables allow continuous, personalized interaction with patients.

Greater use of AI, CRM, and real-time analytics for precision marketing.

3. Partnership Ecosystems

Collaboration across pharma, tech, NGOs, and governments enables more integrated care models and co-branded health initiatives.

4. Patient Empowerment

Patients actively seek information and expect education, transparency, and involvement.

Opportunity to be a trusted health guide rather than just a brand communicator.

While the Indian patent filing process presents challenges such as complexity, cost, and limited awareness, it also offers tremendous opportunities to safeguard innovation, enable commercialization, and support India's transformation into a knowledge economy. With the right guidance and support, filing a patent can be a powerful step in any innovator's journey.

Q &A and Interactive Discussion:

An engaging Interactive Discussion Format for a session titled "How to File Patents: Understanding the Patent Filing Process in India." This format is designed for classrooms, startup bootcamps, IP awareness workshops, or professional development events.

Interactive Discussion: How to File Patents in India

Objective:

To create an engaging and practical learning experience that helps participants understand the Indian patent filing process, common pitfalls, and strategic benefits through real-world scenarios and peer dialogue.

Future Scope:


1. Rising Innovation Culture in India
2. Integration into STEM and Business Education
3. Expanding Career and Entrepreneurship Opportunities
4. Support for Global Patent Filing
5. Digitalization and AI in Patent Filing
6. Strengthening Research Commercialization

The future of patent filing in India is dynamic, promising, and transformative. As innovation continues to accelerate, understanding how to file patents will become a **critical skillset**, driving value creation, career growth, and national progress. Empowering individuals with this knowledge is not just about protecting ideas—it's about **fueling India's innovation economy**.



How to File Patents?

Understanding the patent filing process in India

 Tuesday, Feb 1, 2022

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