

SCHEME FOR INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY EDUCATION, RESEARCH AND PUBLIC OUTREACH

BP and Copyright Division is implementing a scheme namely Scheme for Intellectual Property Education, Research and Public Outreach to create awareness among the general public intelligentsia etc. on IPR Copyright & WTO Studies. The new scheme has been evolved by merging the following three schemes:

- i. Scheme for Financial Assistance on Intellectual Property Right Studies
- ii. Organizing Seminars and Workshops on Copyright Matters; and
- iii. Scheme for Financial Assistance on WTO Studies

2. OBJECTIVES

- (i) Encourage study of intellectual property rights in the universities and other recognized institutions of higher education.
- (ii) Creating public awareness about copyright and IPR matters among public and academic community
- (iii) Developing and encouraging study in specialized courses in IPRs in higher education system
- (iv) Training of enforcement personnel, namely State police/custom officials about copyright and related issues
- (v) Organizing seminars and workshops on copyright matters/IPRs matters in colleges, universities, and other recognized institutions.
- (vi) Creating knowledge resources on WTO matter
- (vii) Developing inputs for policy formulation on WTO matters
- (viii) Developing negotiation strategies on WTO
- (ix) Developing course awareness on WTO matters; and
- (x) Evolving strategies of Regional Cooperation and Regional Trading Arrangements

3. SCOPE

Under the scheme, expenditure may be incurred by the Ministry directly or financial assistance be given to UGC recognized University, other recognized educational institution, registered voluntary organizations, registered copyright societies for the following purposes:

4. Purposes:

- (i) Institution of chairs for Intellectual Property Rights Studies for Higher Education and also on WTO studies
- (ii) Organizing national/international workshops for developing teaching/learning material including syllabi
- (iii) Organizing seminars, workshops, etc., on study of Intellectual Property Rights and GATS
- (iv) Setting up of a Depository for IPR and WTO literature/material/case studies at a nodal institution
- (v) Preparation of instructional material for various levels of IPR Courses/GATS in education services for direct teaching as well as teaching through distance education mode including commissioning of suitable resource persons for the purpose.
- (vi) Organizing orientation and training programmes for potential faculty of teaching IPR and courses on GATS: WTO Regime.
- (vii) Provision of scholarships and fellowships for conducting research in economic, social, legal and technological aspects of new and emerging IPR areas/WTO:GATS International areas of interests to the country.
- (viii) Holding meetings of the Academic Advisory Committee set up by the Ministry of Human Resource Development
- (ix) Organizing national or international seminars on copyright and neighbouring rights issues.
- (x) Organizing training courses on enforcement of copyright law, and
- (xi) Holding Regional level meeting and organizing meetings with persons from the SAARC and Asian and Pacific Region.

- (xii) Organizing Regional Level meetings for developing Regional Trading Arrangements

5. Eligibility:

- (i) UGC recognized universities, institutions deemed to be universities and colleges and institutions affiliated to recognized universities in the area of IPRs and Copyright Matters
- (ii) Educational institutions recognized by a State or Central Government or be a university/institution set up by an Act of Parliament or a State legislature.
- (iii) Copyright Societies registered under the Copyright Act, 1957 with the Government of India in the area of copyright matters.
- (iv) Voluntary organizations of authors, publishers, artistes, performers, film producers, book sellers, computer software producers or dealers, etc., engaged in copyright activities which are registered under the Societies Registration Act, 1860 (Act XXI of 1860).

6. Conditions for Grant/Assistance

- (i) The university or institution should be recognized by the University Grants Commission.
- (ii) The voluntary organization should be a registered society under the Registration of Societies Act, 1860 (Act XXI of 1860). It should have been in existence at least for three years.
- (iii) The educational institution should be a recognized one by a State or Central Government or be a university/institution set up by an Act of Parliament or a State legislature.
- (iv) Before the amount is paid, a bond has to be executed by the organization in respect of the grant. The organization receiving grant shall have to give an undertaking that no grant-in-aid has been received from any other authorities of the Central or State Governments and that a grant-in-aid for the same purpose has not been applied for by the organization to any of those authorities.

- (v) The organization shall have to give an undertaking that the grant shall be utilized for the purpose, and only for the purpose, for which it is sanctioned. Failure to do so shall render the organization liable to refund to the Government the grant in full with such interest thereon as the Central Government may decide.
- (vi) Before the grant is released, the grantee will be required to execute a bond in respect of the grant. The grantee shall have to give an undertaking that no grant-in-aid has been received by the grantee from any other authority of the Central/State Government and that a grant or financial aid has not been applied for by the grantee to any of those authorities, for the purpose for which the grant is applied to.
- (vii) Separate accounts for the grant will be maintained and any information sought by the Government of India will be furnished within the stipulated time.
- (viii) A utilization certificate certifying that the amount has been utilized for the purpose for which it was sanctioned, and duly supported by a statement of audited accounts, from a Chartered Accountant, shall be furnished within one year from the date of receipt of the grant.
- (ix) The accounts related to the purchases made out of the grant shall be made available for inspection by an officer authorized by the Government of India. The accounts shall also be open to be checked by the Comptroller and Auditor General (C&AG) of India or his nominees at his discretion.
- (x) The grantee shall prepare and maintain a record of all assets acquired wholly or substantially out of the grants received under the scheme. Such assets shall not be disposed off, encumbered or utilized for other purposes without prior sanction of the Government of India.
- (xi) The decision of the Secretary to the Government of India in the Ministry of Human Resource Development (Department of Secondary and Higher Education) on the question whether there has been breach

or violation of any of the terms and conditions appended to the grant shall be final and binding on the grantee.

- (xii) Grant under this scheme shall not be given for meeting previous liabilities or debts.
- (xiii) Government of India reserves the right to reject any application for grant without assigning any reason at any stage.
- (xiv) The grantee must be open to membership to all citizens of India without distinction of caste, creed or religion.
- (xv) The grantee in receipt of the grant under the scheme shall be liable to refund full grant with interest thereon as determined by the government, in case of failure to fulfill any of the terms and conditions of the grant.

7. EXTENT OF ASSISTANCE

In case of national seminars and workshops, grant will be given as lump sum basis and in other cases grants will be sanctioned for approved items of expenditure.

8. SCREENING OF PROPOSALS/APPLICATIONS FOR GRANT

All proposals/applications received for consideration under the scheme shall be considered by a Committee under the chairmanship of Joint Secretary in charge of the Book Promotion and Copyright Division, Department of Secondary and Higher Education, Ministry of Human Resource Development, Government of India.

9. PATTERN OF ASSISTANCE

Grant shall be granted only for the purposes as mentioned. Normally, it shall be released in installments with last 25 per cent after receipt of Utilization Certificate and audited statements for the previous installment(s). This condition may be waived on the recommendation of the Committee.

10. PROCEDURE FOR SUBMISSION OF APPLICATIONS

10.1 All applications with full details in the prescribed format should be submitted in seven copies to:

The Secretary
Department of Secondary and Higher Education
Ministry of Human Resource Development
BP & Copyright Division
B2/W3, Curzon Road Barracks
Kasturba Gandhi Marg
New Delhi-110 001

10.2 Each application should inter-alia, contain the following information:

- i. The Name of the Institution/Organization
- ii. Whether the institution is recognized by the University Grants Commission, if so, reference number
- iii. Whether educational institutions is recognized by a State or Central Government or be a university/institution set up by an Act of Parliament or a State legislature.
- iv. Whether affiliated to any recognized university or deemed to be university, if so the name of the university or deemed to be university.
- v. Whether the voluntary organization is a registered society under the Registration of Societies Act, 1860 (Act XXI of 1860). A copy of the relevant document.
- vi. An undertaking that once the estimates of expenditure are approved as reasonable and the grant assessed on the basis of these estimates, they shall not be modified by the institution without prior approval of the sanctioning authority of the grant
- vii. Full justification with details will be necessary for the estimates of expenditure

- viii. A statement of grants received during the last three years from the State Governments/Central Government or other bodies indicating in each case:
- (a) The purpose for which the grant was obtained
 - (b) How it was utilized
 - (c) Progress made in the Programme for which assistance was given and
 - (d) Whether all conditions to previous assistance were duly observed.

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APPLICATION FORM

- Important
- 1 To be submitted in **Ten** copies. The format given below should neatly typed on separate sheets given item-wise information
 - 2 Application in an incomplete form will not be entertained

1. Particulars of the Institution
 - (i) Name of the institution:
 - (ii) Complete postal address:
2. Whether the institution is recognized by the University Grants Commission, if so, reference number
3. Whether affiliated to any recognized university or deemed to be university, if so, the name of the university or deemed to be university.
4. Whether voluntary organization registered under Societies Registration Act, 1860 (Act XXI of 1860) and in existence at least for three years after registration.
5. Purpose of grant
6. Duration of the programme
7. Detailed estimates of expenditure with break-up of the proposed programme/project for which grant is sought
8. Amount of grant required
9. Any grant-in-aid received by the University/Institution/Voluntary Organization/Society from any other authority of the

Central/State Government or any other source for the same purpose for which the grant is sought to be obtained?

10. List of documents to be attached
 - i. An undertaking that once the estimates of expenditure are approved as reasonable and the grant assessed on the basis of these estimates, they shall not be modified by the institution without prior approval of the sanctioning authority of the grant
 - ii. The latest available Annual Report, if any.
 - iii. A copy of the audited accounts of the institution for the previous financial year together with a copy of the last balance sheet, if any.
 - iv. A statement of grants received during last three years from State Government or other bodies indicating in each case:
 - (a) The purpose for which the grant was obtained
 - (b) How it was utilized
 - (c) Progress made in the programme for which grant was received, and
 - (d) Whether all conditions of previous grant were duly observed.