

Inauguration of “SCOP: Center for Innovation and IP Management” at Sinhgad College of Pharmacy, Pune and one day international e-symposium on “Understanding IP for Scientists and Scholars”

Pharmacy Colleges under the aegis of Sinhgad Technical Education Society drafted the IP Policy in order to strengthen the IIC and CIIE activities to be conducted as part of MHRD, GOI initiatives for STES Pharmacy Colleges. Sinhgad College of Pharmacy (SCOP) inaugurated “SCOP: Center for Innovation and IP Management” on 29th November 2020. The IP Policy draft was released for the review by IP experts. The “SCOP: Center for Innovation and IP Management” was inaugurated at the auspicious hands of Prof Umesh Banakar, a renowned academician and an independent consultant to Pharmaceutical Industry and IP expert in USA. Considering the importance of IP, a one day international e-symposium on “Understanding IP for Scientists and Scholars” was also conducted on 30th November 2020. The e-symposium was organized as part of NPW 2020 and was jointly organized by BVDU Poona College of Pharmacy, STES Sinhgad College of Pharmacy on IPA Platform Pune branch.

Dr Abhay Jere, Chief Innovation Officer, MHRD, GOI gave the opening remarks as Chief Guest and Dr B K Sahu, Regional Maganer (IPR and TOT), NRDC, GOI was one of the Eminent Speakers. Dr Jere and Dr Sahu emphasized on the role of IP creation and protection in academia and highlighted the role of government bodies in the same. Dr A Panel discussion was held on the occasion which was chaired by Dr Hemant Dande, President and Chief Operating Officer, Raptakos, Brett and Co, Mumbai. Dr Umesh Banakar, an internationally renowned IP expert was the Guest of Honour for the same where he emphasised on not only the creation but the management of the IP. Dr Anant Paradkar, Director, Center of Pharmaceutical Engineering, Bradford University, UK delivered a talk on “Managing innovation in academic set up.”

Dr K N Gujar, Principal SCOP and member – secretary of the IP Policy welcomed all the guests for the inauguration. Dr Rajshree Gude, Professor of Pharmaceutics, Goa College of Pharmacy, Goa, Dr K G Bothara, Principal, Sinhgad Institute of Pharmacy, Dr S D Sawant, Principal, Smt. Kashibai Navale College of Pharmacy and Dr M P Mahajan, Principal Sinhgad Institute of Pharmaceutical Sciences, Lonawala were present for the inauguration along with faculty members and research scholars. Dr A P Pawar, Principal I/C BVDU Poona College of Pharmacy and Dr K N Gujar, Principal, STES Sinhgad College of Pharmacy acted as Conveners and Dr N S Ranpise, Professor, SCOP along with Dr Sharvil Patil, Assit. Professors, BVDU PCP were the co-coordinators for the one day international e-symposium.

