POST GRADUATE DIPLOMA IN INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY RIGHTS (PGDIPR)

Term-End Examination June, 2013

MIP-003: INDUSTRIAL PROPERTY: TRADEMARKS, GEOGRAPHICAL INDICATIONS, TRADE SECRETS, UNFAIR COMPETITION

Time: 2 hours Maximum Marks: 50

Note: All questions are compulsory. However internal choice are given in each questions.

PART 'A'

- I. State the following statements are True or False.Answer any five questions. 5x1=5
 - 1. The principle consequences of unjustified non-use is that the registration is open to cancellation at the request of a person with a legitimate interest (T/F)
 - 2. The burden of proof regarding trademark use is on the owner since it is very difficult for the interested third party to prove nonuse.

 (T/F)
 - 3. If the owner of a trademark fails to renew his trademark (after the expiry of the registration period) and fails to pay the renewal fee, it leads to the removal of the trademark from the register. (T/F)

- **4.** A trademark once registered cannot be removed from the register, even if it has transformed into a generic name. (T/F)
- 5. Trademark laws generally provide that the Registrar refuses to record an assignment that in his opinion is liable to deceive consumers. (T/F)
- 6. Nullity of the assignments leads to nullity of the trademark rights as such. (T/F)

PART 'B'

II.	Fill in the blanks. Answer any five questions. $5x1=5$	
	1.	The Protocol relating to the Madrid
		agreement came into opearation on
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	2.	An international application for registration
		must be presented to the
		through the office of origin.
	3.	contains an exhaustive list of
		information which may be required by an
		office in respect of an application for the
		registration of a trademark.
	4.	The treaty provides for a for the
		initial period of registration of the
		trademark.
	5.	A mark depicting Indian tricolor can be
		registered as a valid trademark of a private
		enterprise in
	6.	The Madrid system is
III.	Atte	mpt any two questions: 2x5=10
	1.	Discuss issues related to examination of the
		application for registration of a trademark.
	2.	What is counterfeiting? Discuss with the
		help of examples ?
	3.	Discuss the forms of legal protection
		available with regard to character
		merchandising.
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IV. Attempt any two questions:

2x5=10

- 1. What do you understand by trade secret?
- 2. What actions can lead to an act of unfair competition?
- 3. Explain the key features of filling an international registration for trademark.

V. Attempt any two questions:

2x10=20

- 1. What do you understand by protection of trademark rights? Discuss issues concerning proper use of trademarks.
- 2. What are the advantages of registering a geographical indication?
- 3. Discuss the International Legal Framework for protection of trademarks.