## POST GRADUATE DIPLOMA IN INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY RIGHTS (PGDIPR)

#### **Term-End Examination**

December, 2012

# MIP-001 : GENERAL OVERVIEW OF INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

Note: All questions are compulsory.

Maximum Marks : 50

#### 1. Attempt any five parts:

Time: 2 hours

5x2=10

- (a) In what ways can geographical indication be protected as intellectual property?
- (b) How are the rights of IP owners sought to be balanced by the rights of others in the society?
- (c) What is a trademark? Mention two kinds of non-visual signs that are making a strong claim for being accepted as trademarks.
- (d) Branding is a phenomenon that transcends commerce. How ?
- (e) State the quantitative methods of valuation of IP.
- (f) Name two international organisations which are actively involved in the enforcement of IPR.

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- (g) What does WTO stand for? What is its purpose?
- (h) Name the three WTO Agreements.

### 2. Attempt any four parts:

4x5 = 20

- (a) What is meant by Copyright? How are the rights granted under copyright law different from the rights granted under patent law?
- (b) What loop-hole in the system of registration of domain names makes it easy for cyber squatters to create situation of disputes. Discuss the mechanism to resolve domain name disputes.
- (c) What is 'Traditional Knowledge'? How is it separate from the Expression of Folklore? What challenges have to be faced when one seeks to protect Traditional Knowledge?
- (d) What functions do patents perform as strategic tools for economic growth?What information can you derive from a study of patents. (i) as a researcher, (ii) as an entrepreneur?
- (e) What are 'Cultural Industries'? Discuss the problems faced by modern music industry with respect to IPR.

(f) A trademark is associated with two distinct kind of rights. Discuss.What functions does a trademark serve for a consumer?Discuss the role of trademark in 'strategic partnership'.

#### **3.** Attempt *any four* parts :

4x5 = 20

- (a) Discuss the scope of cost reduction in acquisition of patents.
- (b) What is the difference between counterfeiting and piracy?Discuss the social and economic consequences of counterfeiting and piracy.
- (c) Discuss the civil remedies available to the owner of IPR to enforce his rights in case of infringement. The penalties for infringement are tougher in a criminal case, yet the business community prefers civil proceedings. Why?
- (d) Discuss the Mission and Activities of the WIPO.
- (e) What are the objectives of the Cooperation for Development of the WIPO? What assistance can developing countries get from WIPO in setting up legal systems for protection of IP in their respective countries?
- (f) Discuss the five broad issues that the TRIPS Agreement addresses.