

Department: E-Cell VGEC

Event Name : Workshop on Innovation Protection: Patent Filing & IPR Strategy for Student Startups

On 28 Apr. 26, the E-Cell of **Vishwakarma Government Engineering College (VGEC)**, Chandkheda organized an informative and knowledge-driven workshop titled “Innovation Protection: Patent Filing & IPR Strategy for Student Startups”, delivered by **Dr. Kshipra Chauhan**. During the session, **Dr. Kshipra** provided in-depth insights into the importance of Intellectual Property Rights (IPR) and explained how innovative ideas can be legally protected through patents and other IP mechanisms. She guided students on how protecting intellectual property is essential for startups to sustain in a competitive market and avoid idea theft.

Dr. Kshipra further elaborated on the process of patent filing in India, including idea documentation, prior art search, drafting applications, and legal procedures involved in securing patents. She also discussed different forms of intellectual property such as trademarks, copyrights, and trade secrets, and how each plays a significant role in startup growth. Through practical examples and case studies, she emphasized that innovation alone is not enough, but proper protection and management of intellectual assets are equally important. The session encouraged students to think strategically about their innovations and motivated them to adopt a structured approach toward startup development and legal compliance.

Key features:

- Expert Speaker: Dr. Kshipra Chauhan, from GTU-IPFC
- Event Title: Innovation Protection: Patent Filing & IPR Strategy for Student Startups
- Venue: A-Block Auditorium, VGEC
- Date & Time: 28/04/2026, 1:00 pm onwards
- No. of Participants: 150+ students
- Organized by: VGEC E-Cell
- Faculty Coordinators: Prof. U. P. Christian, Prof. H. N. Dalal, Prof. H. S. Wani

Discussion Points:

- Students learned about the importance of Intellectual Property Rights (IPR) in startups.
- The speaker explained the complete patent filing process and its legal requirements.
- Different types of intellectual property such as patents, trademarks, and copyrights were discussed.
- The importance of protecting innovative ideas to avoid duplication and legal issues was emphasized.
- Insights were provided on how IP adds value to startups and helps in funding opportunities.
- Students were encouraged to document their ideas and follow structured innovation processes.
- The session highlighted the role of legal awareness in building sustainable and scalable startups.

Glimpses of the Event

