



GOVERNMENT ENGINEERING COLLEGE, VALSAD

A
Workshop Report
On

Protecting IPR and IP Management for Start-Up

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Date of Expert Talk: 25-05-2026

Name of department: Institute Innovation Council & SSIP, GEC Valsad

Number of Participants: 50+

Event coordinator: Dr. Sanjay Kumar Srivastava (IPR activity coordinator)

Venue: Civil Engineering Department, G-120

Objectives of Expert Talk:

As the Central and State Governments have been promoting the activities associated with innovation and start-ups in educational institutions, SSIP Cell and IIC, Government Engineering College, Valsad jointly organized a workshop on “Protecting IPR and IP Management for Start-Up” on 25 May, 2026. The purpose of contributing to activities related to protecting innovation for start-up. The main aim was to provide fundamental knowledge about how to protect intellectual property right and further reach to start-up level to young students of GEC Valsad.

Event Details:

The programme commenced with a welcome address by **Dr. S. K. Srivastava**, IIC and IPR Coordinator, who welcomed the resource person and participants. He emphasized the importance of Intellectual Property Rights in promoting innovation and encouraged students to understand the value of protecting their creative and technological contributions.

The expert session was delivered by **Dr. R. V. Prajapati**, Assistant Professor, Department of Chemical Engineering. He introduced the participants to the fundamentals of Intellectual Property Rights, including various forms of intellectual property such as patents, copyrights, trademarks, industrial designs, and geographical indications. He explained the relevance of IPR in the present innovation-driven ecosystem and highlighted its role in safeguarding intellectual assets.

Dr. Prajapati further discussed the process of protecting intellectual property, filing procedures, and best practices for effective IP management. Special emphasis was given to **IP Management for Start-Ups**, covering topics such as identifying valuable intellectual assets, developing IP

strategies, commercialization of innovations, technology transfer, licensing, and the importance of IPR in attracting investment and building competitive advantage. The session included practical examples and interactive discussions, enabling students to understand the real-world applications of Intellectual Property Rights.

The lecture successfully achieved its intended objectives by enhancing participants' awareness and understanding of Intellectual Property Rights and their importance in academic research, innovation, and entrepreneurial ventures. Students actively participated in the interactive session and clarified their queries regarding IP protection and management.

The programme concluded with a vote of thanks delivered by **Dr. S. K. Srivastava**, who expressed his sincere gratitude to **Dr. R. V. Prajapati** for sharing his valuable knowledge and expertise. He also thanked the faculty members and students for their enthusiastic participation, which contributed to the successful conduct of the programme.

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Arrangements: The entire program was held at Civil Engineering Department, G-120.

SDG Mapping:

The expert lecture primarily contributes to SDG 4 (Quality Education) by imparting knowledge on Intellectual Property Rights and innovation management. It also supports SDG 9 (Industry, Innovation and Infrastructure) by promoting innovation, technology commercialization, and IP protection, while contributing to SDG 8 (Decent Work and Economic Growth) by fostering entrepreneurship and start-up development.

A glimpse of the event

