

Course No: MLIS-MOOCs: INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY RIGHTS AND CYBER LAWS

(FM: 100/3 Credits)

Course Objective:

The objective of this course is to introduce the students with the concept and legalities associated with various types of Intellectual Property Rights. The students will also learn about Cyber laws and its impact on preventing various types of Cybercrimes.

Course Outcome:

1. Remember and understand the basic concepts related to IPR and Cyber Laws
2. Analyse the Various Concepts to understand them through case studies
3. Apply the knowledge in understanding practical problems
4. Execute project or field assignment as per the knowledge gained in the course

Course Content:

UNIT-1: BASICS OF INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

- 1.1. Intellectual Property: Concept, Definition, Nature, Types and examples
- 1.2. Economic importance of various types of Intellectual Property
- 1.3. Traditional Knowledge: Concept, Nature, Ownership and protection
- 1.4. Intellectual Property Rights: Concept, Definition, Need, Origin and development

UNIT-2: CATEGORIES OF INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY RIGHTS

- 2.1. Copyright and related rights
- 2.2. Trademarks and Trade Secrets
- 2.3. Designs and Patents
- 2.4. Geographical Indications

UNIT-3: LEGAL FRAMEWORK ON INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY RIGHTS

- 3.1. International Institutions concerned with Intellectual Property Rights
- 3.2. Berne Convention, Paris Convention, TRIPS agreement; WCT and WPPT
- 3.3. The Digital Personal Data Protection Bill, 2023
- 3.4. Concept of General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR)

UNIT-4: CYBER LAWS FOR CYBERSPACE

- 4.1. Concept of Cyber Crimes and Cyber Security
- 4.2. IPR Issues in Cyberspace: Domain Name dispute, Software Piracy and Cybersquatting etc.
- 4.3. Information Technology Act and its amendments
- 4.4. Concept of Digital Rights Management