

REPORT: One day workshop on "Patent Search & Analysis Report (PSAR)" for Faculty of Pharmacy on 26th October 2013 at GTU, Gandhinagar Campus

Center of Pharmaceutical Studies & Drug Delivery Technologies department of Gujarat Technological University has organized one day workshop on "**Patent Search & Analysis Report** (**PSAR**)" at GTU, Gandhinagar campus on 26th October 2013, Saturday. In this workshop, 40 faculty members from 21 pharmacy colleges affiliated to GTU have actively participated.

The program was begun with prayer to almighty god, lamp lightning followed by welcome speech by **Dr. Manish A. Rachchh**, Program coordinator and Associate professor of GTU. He mentioned that the objective of this workshop is to provide an overview and hands-on to faculty members of Pharmacy on the topic Patent search as well as Patent Analysis report. If students of M. Pharm (Sem III) will do the study and analysis of at least 5 patents, then it will add some more insight into the mind of students and further those students whose idea/concept would be novel one, they can able to proceed to file their patent application. He also mentioned that under the visionary leadership of **Honb. Dr. Akshai Aggarwal**, Vice chancellor of GTU, GTU has started the very unique program known as "*Patent clinic*", wherein with help of internal and external experts, GTU is providing a platform to all students and faculty to file their Provisional patent application without paying any fees to expert. He mentioned that due to parallel programs at GTU, Chandkheda campus, **Honb. Dr. Akshai Aggarwal** as well as **Dr. G. P. Vadodaria w**ould not able to join with us but conveyed their best wishes for grand success of the event.

The technical session started with **Mr. Padmin Buch**, Director, GITCO, Ahmedabad, who had discussed about the Over view of Patent Search with special reference to Pharmaceuticals industries and academia. **Dr. Manish A. Rachchh**, Program coordinator and Associate professor of GTU, Ahmedabad, has discussed about Open source Patent search database and demonstrated EPO (Worldwide) and IPO database online to participants with examples. **Mr. Amit Patel**, Project officer-IPR, GTU, Ahmedabad has taken a session on how to prepare PSAR report and explained

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about how to read patent documents and explained the context of EPO, IPO, WIPO and US patents.

All the faculty members have actively participated in this workshop and appreciated the efforts of GTU to bring down novelty in the M. Pharm projects. Few feed backs given by participated faculty members are as per below....

"This is definitely relevant for the students of M. Pharm. as they would be exposed to new world of PATENTS from the old world of PUBLICATIONS." – Dr. Mrunali Patel, Indukaka Ipcowala College of Pharmacy, New V.V. Nagar

"Include practical part of PSAR as a part of syllabus of Experimental design and IPR subject of M. Pharm (Sem III) and put mandatory to furnish PSAR report by each student, so that student will select only unique research project for their dissertation."- Dr. Deepa Patel, Parul Institute of Pharmacy and Research, Waghodia, Vadodara.

"Each student of M. Pharm should have to include PSAR as a part of review of literature, which they are compiling and submitting to university during their ITD". – Prof. Nishit Patel, A-One Pharmacy College, Anasan, Ta: Dascroi, Dist: Ahmedabad.

"The subject of IPR should be implemented at B. Pharm level too during reframing of new syllabus of UG, so that when student pursue their Masters, their mind and mindset should be ready for innovation and IPR." - Prof. Harshit Shah, C. K. Pithawala Institute of Pharmacy, Surat.

"Arrange more number of such workshops for the benefit of faculty and M. Pharm students during beginning of Sem III for better output." – Prof. Rashmin Patel, B. S. Patel Pharmacy College, At & Post: Linch, Dist: Mehsana.

"For appropriate review of literature, all previous year's M. Pharm dissertation title and abstract should be retrievable and searchable through GTU web site."- Prof. Paresh Prajapati, Shri Satsangi Saketdham 'Ram Asharam' Group of Institutes, Vadasama, Dist: Mehsana.

Along with Dr. Manish A. Rachchh, Mr. Hiranmay Mahanta, Mr. Amit Patel and Mr. Yogesh Vaghela have put their dedicated efforts to make this workshop successful one.



Deep pragtya by the faculty members (L to R): Dr. Vaishali Thakkar, Dr. Ravindra Mali and Dr. Manish A. Rachchh



Welcome and Introductory Speech given by Dr. Manish A. Rachchh



Mr. Padmin Buch, MD, GITCO has delivered a session on Overview of Patent Search



Dr. Manish A. Rachchh has conducted a session on Patent Search using Open source database



Mr. Amitkumar Patel has delivered a session on how to generate PSAR



Participants View-1



Participants View-2