

Two-day Workshop on Emerging IP Issues and Innovation Changes for better Technologies organized at ICAR-NIBSM, Raipur on 15th-16th March 2022

ICAR-National Institute of Biotic Stress Management, Raipur, organized a Two-day workshop on **Emerging IP Issues and Innovation Changes for better Technologies** on March 15-16, 2022 under the National Agriculture Innovation Fund (NAIF) scheme.

In the inaugural session on 15.3.2022, the Chief Guest Dr. N.K. Krishnakumar, former DDG (Horticulture) stressed that all our technological needs should be generated by ourselves, and call upon more funding on basic sciences. He said that we should think about innovations with agro-ecological tuned techniques and application of science into technologies. Dr. P.K. Ghosh, Director & Vice-Chancellor, ICAR-NIBSM, Raipur and the Chairman of the session emphasized that the IP issues are important in the technology development which is also a motivation for new innovations. IP protection also important for the commercialization of technologies and it also adds value to the innovations. Guest of Honour, Dr. S.C. Dubey, ADG (PP&B), ICAR, New Delhi stressed on the need for IP protection of the new innovations which are important for further commercialization of the generated technologies. Dr. Pankaj Kaushal, Joint Director (Research), NIBSM, Raipur stressed on the importance of Intellectual properties in research which can give impetus to new innovations. Earlier, Dr. S.K. Jain, Principal Scientist welcomed the dignitaries, participants and told about the importance of this workshop. Dr. Ashish Marathe, Scientist proposed the vote of thanks.

In the technical session, Dr. Sanjeev Saxena, former ADG (IP&TM), ICAR presented an overview on IP system and Innovation Policy. He explained the different stages of technology development. Dr. Shiv Datt, Principal Scientist IP&TM Unit, ICAR New Delhi delivered an informative lecture on Biological resources and IPR. Dr. Prachi Agrawal, Sr. Manager, BIRAC, DBT, GOI delivered her talk on the Innovation Challenges in New Technology development and highlighted the different programmes where BIRAC is funding for the technology development projects.

On the second day (16.3.2022), Dr. Kalpana Sastry, Managing Director, Ag-Hub Foundation, PJTSAU, Hyderabad shared her vast experience on Agribusiness incubation system and covered areas of intellectual property, innovation, role of incubators and start-ups. Dr. Sudha Mysore, Chief Executive Officer, Agrinnovate India Ltd. delivered her talk on Public-Private partnerships in agricultural research and innovations. Regarding technology transfer explained the role of Agrinnovate which facilitates the process. Dr. K. Srinivas ADG (IP&TM), ICAR, New Delhi spoke about Commercialization of Technologies and gave detailed account on the strategy for commercialization in the ICAR and stressed on the points which are very important while doing negotiations and signing MoA. He also explained and clarifications on the participants queries on IPR issues and technology commercialization.

More than 50 participants from Scientists, research scholars, Science post graduates and students from ICAR-NIBSM, Raipur; ICAR-IISS, Mau; VPKAS, Almora; Amity University Chhattisgarh, Raipur and IGKV attended the workshop. The workshop was coordinated by Drs. S.K. Jain and Ashish Marathe.

