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MAHARASHTRA NATIONAL LAW UNIVERSITY, NAGPUR

DPIIT-IPR Chair

organises

TWO-DAY NATIONAL CONFERENCE ON

Emerging Frontiers of Intellectual Property Law in the Era of Technology, AI & Globalization



ONLINE MODE



NOVEMBER 3-4, 2026

ABOUT

ABOUT THE UNIVERSITY

Maharashtra National Law University, Nagpur is a student-centric institution established by the Government of Maharashtra in 2015. The University started its academic activities from August 1, 2016, and is currently in its tenth year of academic pursuits with eleventh batch of B.A.LL.B. (Hons.) Five-Year Integrated Degree Course; seventh batch of B.A.LL.B. (Honours in Adjudication and Justicing) Five Years Integrated Degree Course; fifth batch of B.B.A.LL.B. (Hons.) Five-Year Integrated Degree Course; eleventh batch of (One-Year LL.M. Degree Course) and ninth batch of Ph.D. Programme.

The University is recognized by the University Grants Commission under Section 12 of the University Grants Commission Act, 1956 and the Bar Council of India New Delhi. It is also a member of Association of Indian Universities (New Delhi and Consortium of National Law Universities.) The University is making rapid progress towards the dream of achieving excellence in the field of legal and justice education with its dedicated faculty members, research associates, research scholars, students and staff under the dynamic guidance of the Chancellor, Hon'ble Justice Shri A.S. Chandurkar, Judge Supreme Court of India and Vice-Chancellor, Prof. (Dr.) Jyoti Bhakare.

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ABOUT THE DPIIT-IPR CHAIR

The Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade (DPIIT), Ministry of Commerce and Industry, Government of India, has selected Maharashtra National Law University, Nagpur for the establishment of the DPIIT-IPR Chair under the Scheme for Pedagogy & Research in IPRs for Holistic Education & Academia (SPRIHA). The initiative draws inspiration from the National Intellectual Property Rights Policy, 2016, which envisions a robust and innovation-friendly IP ecosystem to support India's economic growth and socio-cultural development.

The DPIIT-IPR Chair aims to strengthen teaching and research capacities in intellectual property law, promote high-quality scholarship, develop curriculum, and undertake performance-based evaluation of academic contributions, thereby reinforcing the institutional framework for IP education and research in India.



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ABOUT THE CONFERENCE

The two-day conference on the theme “Emerging Frontiers of Intellectual Property Law in the Era of Technology, AI & Globalization”, organized by DPIIT-IPR Chair of Maharashtra National Law University, Nagpur, seeks to examine the evolving dimensions of intellectual property law in a rapidly transforming technological and global landscape.

The conference will bring together academicians, legal practitioners, researchers, policymakers and students to deliberate upon contemporary challenges and emerging opportunities across patents, geographical indications, trademarks, domain names, copyright, designs, biodiversity and traditional knowledge. It aims to foster interdisciplinary dialogue and contribute to progressive, innovation-oriented and sustainable approaches to IP protection and enforcement.



CONFERENCE THEME

“Emerging Frontiers of Intellectual Property Law in the Era of Technology, AI & Globalization”

FOCUS AREAS

1 Patents



- Green Technology Patents and Climate Innovation
- Emerging Technologies and Patentability Limits
- AI & Software Patents
- Green Technology and Sustainable Patenting
- Patent Evergreening and Pharmaceutical Innovation
- Patent Protection for Biotechnology and Genetic Technologies

2 Geographical Indications



- Utilization and Effectiveness of GI Protection
- Geographical Indications and E-Commerce
- Counterfeiting of GI Products and GI Enforcement
- Digital Authentication of GI Products
- GIs, Rural Development and Producer Rights
- Globalisation and GI Protection of Indian Products

3 Trademarks



- Trademark Protection in the Metaverse
- Trademarks, Domain Names and Cybersquatting
- Digital Brand Identity
- Protection through Trademarks
- Trademark Rights in the Age of Social Media
- NFTs, Virtual Goods and Trademarks
- AI, Branding and Trademark Protection

4 Copyrights and Designs



- Interplay and Interface of Copyright and Design Law
- Technology, Creativity and Design Protection
- AI- Generated Works and Authorship
- Digital Replicas and Design Infringement
- Copyright Exhaustion in the Digital Marketplace
- Synthetic Media and the Idea-Expression Divide

5 Biodiversity and Traditional Knowledge



- Traditional Knowledge and Patent Protection
- Traditional Knowledge Databases and Defensive Protection
- Digital Sequence Information and Biodiversity
- Biodiversity and Biopiracy
- Access and Benefit Sharing of Biodiversity
- Protection of Plant Varieties and Farmers' Rights

• THE ABOVE SUB-THEMES ARE INDICATIVE AND NOT EXHAUSTIVE

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4,000–6,000 words

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October 30, 2026



Last day of Full Paper Submission:
October 28, 2026



Last day of abstract Submission:
October 21, 2026



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