

**INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY RIGHT(IPR)  
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**Section 1**  
**INTRODUCTION**

**1.1 STATED PURPOSE AND MOTIVATION**

Indian Institute of Information Technology Senapati, Manipur (hereafter referred to as 'IIITM') is an academic institute of national importance dedicated to excellence in teaching and research. Since the institute is engaged in knowledge related activities, it has become necessary to develop an organizational culture and strength in creating, assessing and acquiring appropriate intellectual properties inconsonance with the requirements of World Trade Organizational regime. The cost of not positioning an appropriate and well-developed institutional policy framework for Intellectual Property Right could be high in the long run. Hence, IIIT Senapati has embarked upon a step to state the institutional IPR policy with approval of competent authorities.

**1.2 STATED AIMS OF THE IPR POLICY DOCUMENT**

The stated policy aims to facilitate a) protection of the right of the Inventor(s) of IIITM i.e., faculty/students /project staff/ supporting staff /visitors of IIITM, b) create a framework for acquiring Intellectual property rights for the organization, c) convey the right to the organization to assess the value of the property, acquire and own the IPR as the institution deems fit, d) state clearly the credit a benefit sharing mechanism between and among the inventor(s) and the institution and e) steps planned for protection on any novel work for protection (through fencing) or profit generation that may be seen fit by the organization as the investor into research.

The content of this document relates to an Intellectual Property Rights (IPR) policy with the objective that:

- (a) It enables IIITM to discharge its primary responsibility of fostering, stimulating, and encouraging creative activities in the area of science and technology in the widest sense.
- (b) It lays down the norms to protect the legitimate interest of faculty/students/ project staff/ supporting staff /visitors of IIITM and the society in a rational manner consistent with the 'commitment' of IIITM and 'role' assigned to it by the society.
- (c) It provides a transparent administrative system for the ownership, control and transfer of the intellectual property created and owned by the Institute.
- (d) It shares a global perception of practices related to intellectual property retaining national identity and local constraints, avoiding as far as possible 'conflict' of opposing interests.
- (e) The policy aims also to document and capture traditional knowledge derived Intellectual Property while promoting its fair use while recognizing local traditional knowledge stakeholders and benefit sharing and



(f) It states the roles and responsibilities of the inventors and the institution and credit as well as benefit sharing principles that may be reviewed and revised for being consistent with national policies and rules from time to time.

## 1.2 TYPES OF INTELLECTUAL PROPERTIES

These intellectual properties can be illustratively defined as:

a). **Patent**- is an exclusive right granted for an invention, which is a product or a process that provides a new way of doing something or offers a new technical solution to a problem.

b). **Copyright**- is an exclusive right given to the author of the original literary, architectural, dramatic, musical, and artistic works, cinematograph films, sound recordings and developer or designer of the software products.

c). **Trade/Service mark**- means a mark capable of being represented graphically and which can distinguish the goods or services of one person from those of others and may include shape of goods, their packaging and combination of colours.

d). **Industrial Design**- means only the features of shape, configuration, pattern, ornament or composition of lines or colours applied to any article whether in two dimensional or three dimensional or in both forms, by any industrial process or means, whether manual, mechanical, chemical, electrical or electronic (including semiconductor and IC Layout Designs), separate or combined, which in the finished article appeal to and are judged solely by the eye; but does not include any mode or principle of construction or anything which is in substance a mere mechanical device.

## 1.3 DEFINITIONS

a). *First Party* – Indian Institute of Information Technology Senapati, Manipur (IIITM).

b). *Second Party*- Faculty, Supporting staff, Project staff and Students of IIITM.

• **Faculty** means a person professionally qualified to carry out teaching and research at IIITM as a full-time employee, Emeritus fellow, or Visiting professor appointed by IIITM. (Note this definition of faculty is meant only for the purposes of this document and in not intended to replace the definition of faculty in the statutes or other documents of IIITs or IIIT Manipur.)

• **Supporting Staff** means a person employed full-time or part-time by IIITM to support the research, development, teaching, and other supporting activities (including administrative activities) of IIITM.

• **Project staff** means a person employed temporarily on a contract under a research project, consultancy or any other activity carried out by IIITM.



