

Course on Comprehensive Learning on Intellectual Property Rights for Policy level Interventions in International Context

(Course Domain: Intellectual Property Rights & Technology Management)

- **Course by:** International Crops Research Institute for the Semi-Arid Tropics (ICRISAT)
- **Program Venue:** India
- **Duration:** 2 Weeks (December 2023)
- **About the course:**

This is a two-week training program in the domain of Intellectual Property which is being organised under the Indian Technical and Economic Cooperation (ITEC) program, supported by the Ministry of External Affairs, Government of India. This course aims to provide comprehensive overview of the existing IP system over the globe including various types of Intellectual Property Rights, applicable laws and implementation structures, IP policies and relevant IP standards followed in the national and international context.
- **Course Topics:**
 - Overview of Intellectual Property Rights concepts
 - Examination of Global IP policies and key policy takeaways.
 - In-depth exploration of Patent systems, types, provisions, international treaties, search strategies, databases, and literature reading.
 - Innovation and Technology Management through advanced searches, including novelty searches, freedom to operate, cross-technology inventions, and patent landscape analysis.
 - Practical training in IP searches covering Patents, Trademarks, Designs, and Copyrights.
 - Learning about Trademarks, Designs, and Copyrights, including prosecution formalities and strategies for monetization.
 - Geographical Indications' importance, frameworks in India and developed countries, policy challenges, and export opportunities.
 - Plant Variety Protection, encompassing legal provisions, standards, prosecution hurdles, policy interventions, and opportunities for agricultural enterprises.
 - Engaging with IP stakeholders at grassroots levels, site visits to IPFCs, TTOs, and TISCs, and strategies for monetizing IP assets through licensing and commercialization, including the roles of government entities and stakeholders.
- **Course Impact:** Upon completion of this program, participants will garner requisite insights on the IP policy implementation challenges across the globe, which would help the participants to identify and work on the improvement areas for policy-level interventions in the domain of Intellectual Property in their respective countries.
- **Target Participants:** Officials of the National governments, Professionals from public sector organizations, research institutions, and academic institutions from Global South (Africa, Latin America and the Caribbean, and Asian countries) involved in Innovation, Entrepreneurship, and Intellectual Property management;