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IPR Policy

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1. OBJECTIVES:

The current and stated Intellectual Property (IP) Policy of the Institute of Aeronautical Engineering (GITAM) aims to facilitate the protection of intellectual property generated during scientific pursuit in the Institute and offers scope for wealth generation, alleviation of human sufferings and betterment of human life. GITAM urges all faculty, staff and students to document their IP, so that it could be protected and applied to the gain of the country, the institute and the concerned inventors. GITAM is keen to facilitate faculties and staff of GITAM in a proactive manner in the generation, protection and transaction of Intellectual Property which offer potential and scope for shared benefits to both institute and inventors. Through this policy, a system will be in place to bring order into the process of knowledge generation and commercial exploitation.

2. Participants

This policy covers all staff, faculty members, students and also persons engaged in sponsored schemes and projects/consultancy and any other initiatives of the Institute as well as visiting scientists/professors/personnel who participate in the research work being carried out at the Institute.

The Intellectual Property Rights (IPR) policy of GITAM would typically outline the rules and regulations governing the ownership, protection, and commercialization of intellectual property developed within the institution. Such policies aim to encourage innovation and research while ensuring that the rights of inventors and creators are respected.

The policy usually covers various aspects such as:

Ownership: Clarifying who owns the intellectual property rights to inventions, innovations, and creative works developed by students, faculty, and staff.

Disclosure: Establishing procedures for disclosing intellectual property to the institution, including requirements for reporting inventions, patents, copyrights, and trademarks.

3. Protection: Outlining the steps taken to protect intellectual property, such as filing for patents, trademarks, or copyrights, as appropriate.

4. Commercialization: Detailing how the institution handles the commercialization of intellectual property, including licensing agreements, spin-off companies, and revenue sharing arrangements.

 Rights and Responsibilities: Defining the rights and responsibilities of inventors, the institution, and any third parties involved in the development or exploitation of intellectual property.

 Ethical considerations: Addressing ethical issues related to intellectual property, such as conflicts of interest, confidentiality, and responsible conduct of research.

Enforcement: Describing the measures taken to enforce the IPR policy and resolve disputes
related to intellectual property ownership and infringement.

8. INFRINGEMENTS, DAMAGES, LIABILITY, AND INDEMNITY

As a matter of policy, GITAM shall, in any contract between the licensee and GITAM, seek indemnity from any legal proceedings including this, but not limited to manufacturing defects, production problems, design guarantee, up-gradation and debugging obligation.

GITAM shall also ensure that GITAM personnel have an indemnity clause built into the agreements with licensee(s) while transferring technology or copyrighted material to licensees.

GITAM shall retain the right to engage in or desist from or not in any litigation concerning patent and license infringements.

9. CONFLICT OF INTEREST

The inventor(s) are required to disclose any conflict of interest or potential conflict of interest.

If the inventor(s) and/or their immediate family have a stake in a licensee-company, then they are required to disclose the stake they and /or their immediate family have in the company, and license or an assignment of rights for a patent to the licensee - company in such circumstances, shall be subject to the approval of the IP Management Committee.

10. DISPUTE RESOLUTION

In case of any disputes between GITAM and the Inventor(s) regarding the implementation of the IP policy, the inventor(s) may appeal to the Principal of GITAM. Efforts shall be made to address the concerns of the inventor(s) by developing and instituting an arbitration mechanism and arrangement. The Principal's decision in this regard would be final and binding on both institute and inventor.

11. JURISDICTION

As a policy, all agreements to be signed by GITAM will have the jurisdiction of the courts in Bhubaneswar and shall be governed by appropriate laws In India.

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