

## Dr. Ambedkar College, Deekshabhoomi, Nagpur.

## **Online Session for College Teaching Faculty**

**Topic:** "Copyright and Plagiarism importance of Copyright Registration"

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A one hour session on Intellectual Property Rights (IPR) and its importance is organized by the IQAC of Dr. Ambedkar College for its teaching faculty members to increase their awareness on IPR at regular intervals. As teachers we are constantly engaged in creation of literature and artwork in order to increase the popularity of our concerned subjects amongst the students. But mostly we are unaware of importance of our own creation. Copyrights thus become extremely important to professionals like us because it constitutes the ownership of one's original work. Thus, considering the present difficult times of COVID19 pandemic the IQAC decided to arrange an online session on the topic "Copyright and Plagiarism, importance of Copyright Registration" by Dr. Rupal Rautdesai, Professor, Symbiosis Law School Pune, Symbiosis International (Deemed University). Dr. Rautdesai has a vast experience in the field copyright law and hence was the most fitting speaker for the aforesaid topic. She very subtly delved into the intricate details of the emergence of copyright act not only in India but all throughout the world, also highlighting the importance of the same. While describing about the importance of Copyright attributed to almost any novel script created at the teacher's end she also did not forget to mention that our daily lectures can also come under what are called "Performer's Rights" under the provision of Copyright Act 1957.

Professor Rautdesai emphasized upon the nature of the Copyright Act as well stating it to be a bundle of rights and the negative nature of right was also well explained by her. Taking examples from real life events she also explained how the copyright act can be executed in our daily routine work. Also she elaborated upon the convictions probable as per the law for copyright infringement and the overall tenure for copyright being 60 years in India. Dr. Rautdesai very aptly included examples during her talk to distinguish copyright act with the concept of Plagiarism. The concept of Plagiarism is associated with directly taking

someone else's idea and portraying it to be your own. Curbing plagiarism in HEI's has been noted to be essential by UGC and therefore UGC Regulation, 2018 was constituted for Promotion of Academic Integrity and prevention of Plagiarism.

Enthusiastic participation of the Faculty members was willfully encouraged by Dr. Rautdesai to have a fruitful dialogue all throughout her presentation. This was indeed needed to have sufficient clarity over copyright infringement versus plagiarism issues raised during academic publication process. Also an interesting facet of self-plagiarism was brought to light during such discussion. Overall the entire session of 1 hour was very well received by all the faculty members of Dr. Ambedkar College, belonging to different disciplines. More than 56 Teaching Faculty Members Participated in this online IPR session. The entire session was conducted under the Presidential presence of Dr. Mrs. B. A. Mehere, Officiating Principal, Dr. Ambedkar College and Dr. Mrs. H.V. Menon, IQAC Co-ordinator who was instrumental in planning and organization of this session. A formal vote of thanks was proposed by Dr. Shailesh Bahadure and the program was conducted by Dr. Deovrat Begde, as the members of IQAC of the college.

Some Glimpses of the Event



