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**“GUJCOST IPR CHAIR ESTABLISHED AT GNLU- An Exemplary effort by the leading law school to promote IPR laws of India”**

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Dear Sir/Madam,

Greetings from GNLU!

The Gujarat Council on Science and Technology (GUJCOST), established in September, 1986 under the Department of Science and Technology, Government of Gujarat, has established The Chair for IPR Excellence at Gujarat National Law University (GNLU) for creating awareness and promoting education, training and research in the field of various IPR laws in India.

With the establishment of GUJCOST Chair for IPR Excellence, GNLU has emerged as a precedent-setting leading, research-oriented law school in the country to establish two fully-dedicated Chairs for IPR-GUJCOST and Microsoft.

The GUJCOST Chair has been established with the vision of creating, maintaining and promoting awareness in the field of IPR laws, policies, practices, education, training and research. The Chair seeks to achieve this through suitable academic, research and outreach programs on IPR laws, policies and practices; by providing guidance to students on placement and internships at law firms; and giving inputs to legislature, executive and the judiciary on the latest trends and developments in the field of IPR laws.



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The GNLU-GUJCOST Chair would have one Chair Professor, Associate Professor, Assistant Professor, and Research Associate, assisted by a coordinator, specialist, and administrative assistant.

The Chair aims to conduct research, training and educational activities in various facets of intellectual property law particularly, recent developments in patent law, Intellectual property valuation and IPR management focused on Medium, Small and Micro-scale Industries (MSMEs), laws related to plant varieties, Geographical Indications, traditional knowledge and the pharmaceutical industry.

Amongst the various activities planned in the subsequent months as part of the Chair include, awareness program for district judges on the basics of IPR laws; contributing through research and other means to the formulation of policies having impact on IPR; organization of annual lectures featuring renowned IPR experts from the industry; building-up of and enriching the GNLU library on IPR-related legal literature; organizing of seminars to focus on protecting grass-root level innovation and assisting students at graduate and post-graduate level on placements at various law firms with IPR practice, addressing their queries on various issues related to IPR laws, and organizing quiz competitions for secondary and higher secondary school students on the basics of IPR laws with the aim to create and promote awareness in IPR, a dynamic field of law.

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