One-day Awareness Workshop on Intellectual Property Rights in Agricultural Research organized at ICAR-NIBSM, Raipur on 20th March 2021

ICAR-National Institute of Biotic Stress Management, Raipur, organized a One-day awareness workshop on Intellectual Property Rights in Agricultural Research on 20th March 2021 under the National Agriculture Innovation Fund scheme.

In the inaugural session, Dr. P.K. Ghosh, Director & Vice-Chancellor, ICAR-NIBSM, Raipur in his address stressed upon the need to have awareness about the intellectual property rights that may bring changes and IP protection is important for the new innovations to happen.

The ADG (IP&TM), ICAR Dr. Sanjeev Saxena emphasised on the need to look at Intellectual Property Rights with a different perspective and also highlighted on the various aspects of. Dr. Pankaj Kaushal, Joint Director (Research), NIBSM, Raipur briefed about the research activities of the Institute and importance of Intellectual properties in research and IPR issues. He further said that the IPR brings in obligation to make technologies available to public technology development. Earlier, Dr. S.K. Jain, Principal Scientist welcomed the dignitaries, participants and briefed about the IPR workshop. Dr. Ashish Marathe, Scientist proposed the vote of thanks.

In the technical session, Dr. K.S. Kardam (Former Senior Joint Controller of Patents & Designs, Ex-Head of Office, Patent Office Delhi) presented an overview on Intellectual Property Rights including Patents, Industrial Designs, Trademarks and Geographical Indications. He also explained the evolution of Patent Laws in India and amendments taken place. Dr. S.K. Soam (Joint Director, ICAR-NAARM, Hyderabad) delivered a talk on copyrights and Geographical indications as Intellectual properties through live interactive session with the participants. Dr. Kanika Malik (Principal Scientist, CSIR-NISCAIR, New Delhi) gave a detailed presentation on Drafting of Patents explaining various stages and highlighting the benefits of a well drafted specification for reducing the overall time duration for obtaining the patent grant. Er. G. Raghavendra Prasad (Amity University Chhattisgarh, Raipur) spoke about the IPR and sustainable agriculture and the future technologies required in agriculture.

More than 50 participants from ICAR, NIBSM, Raipur, ICAR-NBAIM, Mau, ICAR-IISS, Mau, ICAR-IIPR, Kanpur, ICAR-IGFRI, Jhansi and Amity University Chhattisgarh, Raipur attended the workshop.

