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COMMERCE

Intellectual Property Rights

(CBCS Scheme)

Time : 3 Hours

Maximum Marks : 70

SECTION - A

Answer any **Seven** questions out of Ten. Each question carries **2** marks.

(7×2=14)

1. a) Who can file plant variety protection under IPR?
- b) Define Trademarks under IPR.
- c) Can Patent be applied by anyone?
- d) Mention the various types of Intellectual Property Rights.
- e) What are trade secrets? Give examples.
- f) Give the meaning of Utility model.
- g) What is "Doctrine of Sweat of the Brow"?
- h) What are word marks?
- i) List out the various categories of Licensing of Copyright.
- j) Mention the criteria's that determine what can be patented in India.

SECTION - B

Answer any **Four** questions out of Six. Each question carries **5** marks.

(4×5=20)

2. Briefly explain the kinds of IPR.
3. Design refers to the ornamental or aesthetic aspects of an article. Explain the essential requirements of Design in IPR.
4. Explain briefly the requirements for the restoration of lapsed patent in India.
5. What is assignment of patent? Explain the various kinds of assignment.
6. "A trademark identifies the brand owner of a particular product or service". Briefly explain the various types of Trademarks in India with examples.
7. Geographical Indications are covered as an element of IPRs. Discuss the benefits of GI registration.

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**SECTION - C**

Answer any **Two** questions out of Four. Each question carries **12** marks. **(2×12=24)**

8. Explain the remedies for Infringement of Patents in detail.
9. "Patentees enjoy exclusive privileges to exploit, licence, and protect their inventions." Explain the Rights and Duties of Patentee.
10. " Copyright is an exclusive right given by law to print, publish and sell copies of original work for a certain period." Explain the Registration Procedure of Copyrights.
11. Explain in detail the career opportunities available in IPR.

SECTION - D

Answer the following question. This question carries **12** marks. **(1×12=12)**

12. XYZ Corporation, a leading technology company, developed a ground-breaking innovation in the field of renewable energy. They designed a highly efficient solar panel with advanced energy storage capabilities, capable of significantly improving the overall performance and sustainability of solar power systems. The company filed a patent application for this innovation to protect their intellectual property.

Case Description: After successfully obtaining the patent for their advanced solar panel technology, XYZ Corporation faced a challenge when a competitor, ABC Innovations, Launched a similar product in the market. XYZ Corporation believed that ABC Innovations was infringing on their patented technology. They decided to take legal action to protect their intellectual property rights.

Questions:

- a) Explain the significance of obtaining a patent for XYZ Corporation's advanced solar panel technology?
 - b) What legal actions can XYZ Corporation take to address the alleged patent infringement by ABC Innovations?
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