BEST PRACTICES 2019-2020 Internal Quality Assurance Cell



Title of the practice 1: Outreach Programme by Students

The context that required the initiation of the practice (100 - 120 words):

The Outreach Programme has been initiated with a view to sensitize the students to the social realities and problems confronting our society and to work out modalities to implement a more effective justice administration in society. Besides they will enrich their understanding of doctrinal and non-doctrinal research and will contribute in refining the mediation and coordination skills. The Outreach Programme will not only embody a sense of team spirit amongst the students but will also support understanding the reasons for the inadequacies in bringing about an effective and efficient administration in society.

Objectives of the practice (50 - 60 words)

To undertake a comprehensive study in identified socio- legal issues. The study will enable student to conduct legal research with the help of field visits. They will also have hands on experience with respect to the challenges faced in various sectors.

The Practice (250 - 300 words)

Reports based on their field visits will be submitted by the students at the end of the Semester. This will provide them an opportunity to voice their opinion supported by authentic data and statistics. Thereafter, it is proposed that the relevant suggestions submitted in the reports will be sent to the government authorities for appropriate and necessary action, where possible. The Outreach Programme enhances unique institutional activities, making our institution distinct in that our focus is not on exclusive theoretical knowledge.

Hence, students are required to take part in the said programme every Saturday mandatorily under the supervision of Faculty Mentors. The three themes that have been identified for this Semester i.e.; August-December, 2019 are as follows -

- 1. Transportation system in Bangalore : A Critical Appraisal
- 2. Group visits to hospitals in Bangalore 10 different hospitals to be identified, looking at deficiencies and best practices



3. Waste disposal measures in and around Educational Institutions - Best Practices

In order to guide the students the following format for writing the report was shared to the students

FORMAT FOR THE REPORT

- 1. Introduction
- 2. Objective of the study
- 3. Background study (based on the doctrinal research)
- 4. Identification of the Problem/issues
- 5. Empirical Research
- 6. Analysis
- 7. Conclusion inclusive of findings, suggestions and recommendations

Obstacles faced if any and strategies adopted to overcome them (150 – 200 words)

The Obstacle was to coordinate between the large number of students. Apart from that, to gain access to the hospitals was a challenge.

Students from first years had to put in extra effort to have an understanding of subject matter before engaging in field activity. The follow up activity was interrupted due to COVID.

Impact of the practice (100 - 120 words)

This practice gives the students to reach out to real life situation and engage in impact of law on Society. This gives the subject its fullness and effectiveness.

Resources required

- a. Research documents
- b. Adequate training to the students

c.

About the Institution



Ramaiah College of Law (RCL) was established in the year 1995 and ever since it has been our endeavour to provide quality legal education that will help create a community of morally, ethically and socially responsible citizens. The focus at RCL has been on the assimilation of the latest developments of the law and the exploration of how to employ these developments to the betterment of humankind. Thus while at the one hand our curriculum is enriched by the offering of different kinds of add-on and certificate programmes, on the other hand they are supplemented with a large number of social activities like legal aid programmes, NSS activities, legal literacy programmes etc.

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Title of the practice 2: **IP consultancy to Sister Institutions**

The context that required the initiation of the practice (100 - 120 words)

Ramaiah IPR Cell (RIPRC), which was established in collaboration with the Karnataka State Council for Science and Technology (KSCST), has taken up the mission to create a robust Intellectual Property (IP) Ecosystem in the institutions of Gokula Educational Foundation (GEF). In furtherance of this stated mission, the Ramaiah IPR Cell has been undertaking a number of initiatives right from the time of its inception to enable the cooperation and coordination among the sister Institutions to ensure that the best minds of GEF are brought together to accomplish this mission. RIPRC mainly focuses on creating awareness among the GEF Community about the importance of protection of Intellectual Property and aiding the creators in protecting and managing their Intellectual Property effectively.

Objectives of the practice (50 - 60 words)

The long-term goal behind undertaking this practice is the creation of a robust IP ecosystem in the institutions of Gokula Educational Foundation. Towards achieving this, it is important to strengthen the foundation of our academic and research ecosystem by creating an awareness regarding the significance of creating and protecting Intellectual Property. Hence, RIPRC has been undertaking various initiatives with a stated objective of facilitating and encouraging the GEF community in the creation, protection and management of Intellectual Property.

The Practice (250 – 300 words)

Ramaiah IPR Cell acts as an aid and a facilitator in the protection and management of Intellectual Property in the GEF.

IP Awareness Programs: We have collaborated with the various institutions under GEF and organised four IP awareness programs in our sister Institutions under GEF.

Prior Art Search & Invention Analysis:

RIPRC facilitates the Preliminary Prior Art Search of the Patent applications submitted by the faculty, staff and students of GEF for the purpose of assessing the novelty of the inventions. As the next step, RIPRC holds consultations (*pro bono*) with the inventors to aid them in assessing the patentability of the inventions and move forward with the patent filing process. In this academic session, RIPRC facilitated the Prior Art Search & Invention Analysis of eight Patent applications that we received from the various Institutions of GEF.

Pro bono Consultancy Services in IPR matters:



RIPRC offers *pro bono* consultancy services to the faculty, staff and students of all the Institutions under GEF on various matters related to IPR. During this academic session, RIPRC offered *pro bono* consultancy services to two parties in matters related to registration of Trademarks and successfully completed the registration process and secured registration for one trademark on a *pro bono* basis. RIPRC also offered *pro bono* consultancy services on copyright issues to two parties from the GEF community.

Ramaiah Intellectual Property Rights Policy: Drafted an IPR Policy in collaboration with the Ramaiah College of Law to facilitate the promotion, creation and management of Intellectual Property(IP) in all the Institutions managed by the Gokula Education Foundation.

Intellectual Property Audit: Finalised Intellectual Property Audit criteria for the Institutions under Gokula Education Foundation and completed the first phase of the IP Audit process.

Obstacles faced if any and strategies adopted to overcome them

- a. Trained human resources
- b. To obtain funding from recognised agencies as the cell is the nascent stage
- c. Pandemic affected the IP audit and implementation of Plan
- f. Impact of the practice (100 120 words)

RIPRC facilitated Patent and Trademark Filing and the filings were successful.

G. Resources required

- a. Trained human resource to under Techno legal document with qualification such as BSc LLB
- b. Patent Prior Art search requires High Speed internet of 50 MbPs and above, and dedicated system to maintain confidential information
- c. To Obtain Digital signature for Cell was challenging

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