Report on Two-day Workshop on "Filing of Indian Patent Applications and Patent Search" held on 9th ,10th August, 2016

Venue: MBA Hall, Karpagam Academy of Higher Education. Time: 10:30 am

Total attendees: 120

The lecture was focussed to give basic understanding of patents, patent filing and search using open databases. The first session was briefed by Lt. Dr. K.P. Sridhar. He highlighted the importance, types and use of IPR in respect to Indian perspective. He also covered briefed about the forms available and filing at Indian patent office. The session was followed by a training session on "Patent Search" by Dr. L. Hariprasath. The participants were given basic training on how to make an effective search using open patent databases such as google patents, USPTO, Espacenet, WIPO, Free patents online and Patent scope. The significance of patent search using keywords, Boolean operators, classification codes, assignee search, inventor search explained in details.

The workshop also covered the types of search in IPR such as patentability, prior-art, freedom-to-operate, validity/invalidity. Various questions were raised during the talk and were addressed appropriately. The primary goal of this workshop is to give basic knowledge on IPR and would encourage the participants for filing a patent in future.