

IPR basics for Innovators and Entrepreneurs

The Department of Chemistry at Babbar Akali Memorial Khalsa College, Garhshankar, in collaboration with the Institution Innovation Council (IIC), organized a one-day online mentoring session on 27 November 2025 at 12:30 pm on the topic "IPR Basics for Innovators and Entrepreneurs". The event, aimed to create awareness about Intellectual Property Rights (IPR) among students, innovators, and young entrepreneurs. The session focused on explaining the concept of IPR, its different types, and its importance in protecting creative and innovative work. It also emphasized the role of IPR in entrepreneurship, product development, and research, highlighting how legal protection of ideas can encourage innovation and prevent misuse.

The program was held under the guidance of Dr. Amandeep Heera, Principal of the college, along with Dr. Ajay Dutta, President of IIC, and Dr. Mukesh Sharma, Head of the Department of Chemistry. The organising committee consisted of Ms. Baldeep Kaur, and Ms. Esha Rani, Assistant Professors in the Department of Chemistry.

The key speaker for the session was Ms. Sandeep Kaur, Member of the Institution Innovation Council, who delivered an insightful presentation covering the fundamentals of patents, copyrights, trademarks, and other forms of intellectual property. Her talk helped participants understand how intellectual property can add value to innovative ideas and support entrepreneurial ventures.

The Session was attended by 10 faculty members and 31 students of UG, PG courses. Overall, the mentoring session proved highly beneficial, providing students and innovators with essential knowledge about Intellectual Property Rights. It helped attendees appreciate the importance of protecting their creative work and encouraged them to consider IPR as an

integral part of the innovation and entrepreneurship process. The session successfully cultivated interest and understanding of IPR among the participants, contributing to the broader goal of fostering a culture of creativity and innovation within the institution.