# **Summary Report**

# **About Department/Center/School:**

RGSOIPL, established in 2006, is the only Law School in the country operating within the IIT system. RGSOIPL has the unique feature and mission of imparting conventional legal education with emphasis on IPRs. The School is seriously engaged in, and striving for, techno-legal education in India.

- 1. Academic Programs :LL.B. [Hons' in Intellectual Property Law]
- 2. **Major Thrust Areas of Research:** Intellectual Property Law, Corporate Law, Public Law, Criminal Law, International Law, Environmental & Energy Laws.

# 3. Curriculum and Courses & Teaching Environment

Items	Ratio/ Number	Items	Number/%
Teacher-student Ratio	1:10	Average No. of students motivated (%) to opt of careers Eng/ Tech. Sectors UG/PG/PhD	NA
No. of Faculty members as on today	11	Average No. of students motivated (%) to opt of careers in Science sectors UG/PG/PhD	NA
Average No. of Tutorial Assistants	9	No. of teaching labs	NA
No. of UG/DD students	NIL	Average No. of students per experiments in core courses	NA
No. of PG students/PhD students	115/11	No. of Students' workshops/`Tinkering' Labs	NA
Average no. of tutors with more than 100 students	NA	No. of new courses introduced	2
Average Students placements (%) (UG/DD/PG)	NA/NA/60%	No. of New program introduced	NIL
No of major curriculum review in both UG & PG level	Twice	Undergraduate Vs PhD strength expressed as Percentage	NA
No of UG lab (teaching labs) developed/set-ups	NA	No of PG/research labs developed/new set up	NA
No of E class rooms	1	No. of lab classes(Moot Court) per week	1 per week, per class
Average No. of Course done per student for LL.B/Ph.D.	36/5	No. of core/elective/seminar/projects subjects taken for LL.B respectively	31/06/02/04

### 4. Research and Development & its Environment

Items	Number	Items	Number	Items	No.
Total No. of Publications in Journals (2008-13)	117	Average no. of citation per paper	NA	No of large interdisciplinary research projects	9
Total No. of Publications	22	Average Journal	23	Number of Int.	2

in Conference & Symposium		publication per year		conf./workshops attended by students	
Total No of Books & e- books published	13	h-Index of the department since 2008/overall h- index in Scopus	NA	No. of PDF hired in the Institute	Nil
Total No of Edited Conference Proceedings/book chapters	1/25	Number of papers with citation more that the average no. of citation of the Journals	5	No. of international Students as PhDs/PDFs	Nil
Total No. of Technology Developed/transferred	NA	No. of recognitions & Awards, fellows etc to faculty/students (provide break up if necessary)	4	No. of International visiting researchers/adjunct faculty stayed here for at least a week	3
Total No. of Patents Filed/Obtained	3	Average Retention(%) of Young faculty for at least 10 years	80%	No. of short courses/workshops /conf. organized with international participations	5
Total No. of Copyright Filed/Obtained/Trademark	1/0/0	No. of Sponsored research Project /fund(lakh) generated from non-internal source	31/726.5 Lakhs	Average No. of PhD granted per year	1
No. of Publications per Faculty/Masters/PhD students	11/4	No. of Consultancy /fund (lakh) generated from non-internal source	6/116 Lakh	Average No. of PhD Granted per year per faculty	1
No. of Publications per Faculty/Masters/PhD students in Top Ten Journals as Identified by the department	List is prepared recently	No of Internal and external Collaborations research papers/research projects/PhD students	Nil	Patent granted per faculty	NA
Average No. of Citation per faculty per year	NA	No of M. Tech students motivated into pursuing PhD/PhD graduates motivated to pursue career in Academics (abroad or IIT etc)	NA	Number of articles in collaborations with Ten countries*	Nil
Ranking of the department in terms of average citations per paper within the Institute		Ranking of the department in terms of total number of Journal publications within the Institute/publications per faculty	Not done	No of articles of the dept. contributing towards h-index of the Institute since 2008	NA

# 5. External Stakeholder Engagement and others

Items	Number	Amount Lakh
No. of PhD/Master students' thesis funded by Industries	03/00	NA
Total number of Industry sponsored projects and its income (Lakh)		
No. of Curriculum Development Initiative for Industries		
No of Technology transfer/adopted by Industry/Labs		
No. of Nationally relevant research projects		
No of Policy inputs/consultancies provided		
No. of Research grant and seed money from internal savings of the	2	8.91 Lakh
Institute per young faculty of the department and its total fund	2	6.91 Lakii
No. of Community Relevant projects		

### 6. Vision of the School for the Future (in brief):

### (a) Mission and Vision Statements

RGSOIPL has the Vision to fulfil India's dream of becoming the power house for generating and protecting intellectual property, by establishing a world-class legal education and research center with focus on intellectual property laws, benchmarked with the best intellectual property schools in the world. The Schools aims to introduce a full range of programs on intellectual property laws, nurture interactive association with legal luminaries from the Bar, Bench, and academia, forge enduring bonds with leading IP schools across the world, foster a spirit of innovation in the technology institute and undertake cutting edge research in the IP laws.

### (b) Plans for future to achieve the projected goals

RGSOIPL plans to introduce specialized courses and programs in conventional law, in general, and intellectual property laws, in particular, in the coming years. The Master of Laws (LL.M) and Master in Intellectual Property Laws (MIP) are in the offing. The B. Tech LL.B.(Hons in IP) and Integrated LL.M. Ph.D programs are also under serious deliberations and consideration. The curriculum, pedagogy of teaching- learning and course materials of these proposed programs are being developed in consultation with leading academia, practitioners, and national and International Law Schools.

New collaborations and international associations are being planned in order to assemble distinguished team of internationally acclaimed faculty in the School. Such collaborations will aim at mutual exchange of students & faculty and joint research in niche areas of Intellectual Property Laws and allied areas.

Industry association and integration in dissemination of legal and IP knowledge and skill orientation is increasingly being emphasized upon. Over the years, the School has encouraged IP leaders of the industry to be a part of the teaching process. Students have undertaken internships as well as dissertations in the IP division of leading corporate houses, industries etc. The School proposes to develop close and sustainable relations with industries with more collaborative research plans and regular workshops, among others.

# (c) Measures adopted towards above.

- i) Renewal of technical collaboration with George Washington University (GWU), USA and reenforce the MOU with Law School, University of Western Ontario, Canada; Leibniz University (LUH), Hanover, Germany
- ii) Annual student and faculty exchange program with GWU
- iii) Master of Laws (LL.M.) programs jointly and severally.
- iv) Joint LL.B. dissertation with industry
- v) International lecture series on contemporary and emerging legal issues through video conferencing by leading legal luminaries of international repute.

# 7. External peer review of the Schools (in brief):

# (a) Date of the peer review: January 8, 2014

# (b) Name of the Experts involved and their affiliations in short:

- A. Prof. Mahendra P. Singh, Former Professor & Dean, Faculty of Law, Delhi University and Former Vice- Chancellor, The West Bengal National University of the Juridical Sciences (NUJS), Kolkata.
- B. Prof. B. B. Pande, Former Professor & Dean, Faculty of Law, Delhi University, Delhi.

# (d) Measures adopted/action taken at the School level to address the recommendations of the peer review report:

# Suggestion on LL.B. Program

- ✓ The existing subjects and breakups of the subject require revisiting and revision with the help of subject experts from inside and outside.
- ✓ The existing semester II Law of Evidence (IP63010) should be replaced by existing semester III Criminal Law II (IP73001) that will come up to semester II.
- ✓ In the list of 'Elective I' a new elective 'Child Rights and Entitlement Laws' (Constitutional Law Group) need to be introduced in lieu of 'Water Governance and Policy Issue,' which could be placed as a paper 1 in Elective II.
- ✓ Special technology and law interface moot courts ought to be encouraged and organized from time to time.

**Action taken:** LL.B. program, incorporating some of these suggestions, has been revised and approved by the Senate.

### **Views on Faculty and Students Problem on library**

- ✓ Facilitation of early procurement and availability of books / journals to end-users.
- ✓ Streamlining of existing processes between Central Library and RGSOIPL Library.

Action taken: Under discussion.

### **Views on Limited number of faculty**

✓ Recruitment of faculty

**Action taken:** Continuous efforts to attract experienced & acclaimed faculty are on.

# Views on linkages with the other department

✓ Develop new inter-disciplinary teaching & research programs with other departments/schools, like management, technology etc.

Action taken: Under process.

# 8. Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities & Threats (SWOT) Analysis of the Department

### **STRENGTHS**

- ✓ State of the art Infrastructure
- ✓ Conducive academic environment
- ✓ Innovative and unique courses
- ✓ Regular updating of curriculum
- ✓ Training in practical areas of law (such as drafting, claims-writing, moot court).
- ✓ Good placement records
- ✓ Alumni in top & decision-making positions in leading IP Industries and firms.

### WEAKNESSES

- ✓ Lack of bright students
- ✓ Inadequate number of faculty
- ✓ Less visibility in IP legal education frontiers
- ✓ Inadequate international and industry linkages
- ✓ Insufficient library resources

### **OPPORTUNITIES**

- ✓ Increase research activities: Ph D & Sponsored
- ✓ International collaborations, joint ventures & industry presence
- ✓ Offering unique and more specialized courses in niche areas of IP
- ✓ Establishing centers of excellence, chair professors
- ✓ Conferences/short-term programs/workshops on regular basis to develop practical exposures

### **THREATS**

- ✓ Other opportunities outside IIT pose threat to attract and retain good quality faculty.
- ✓ Limited visibility desists bright students from enrolling in the School
- ✓ Limited focus on IPR limits the boundaries of students in terms of placement and internships
- ✓ Geographical distance from Industry and corporate houses
- ✓ Poor and untrained manpower (supporting staff)