

National IPR Policy:

The National IPR policy was released by Department of Industrial Policy and Promotion (DIPP), Ministry of Commerce and Industry, Government of India on May 12, 2016.

This policy brings about a vibrant intellectual policy ecosystem to leverage technology and innovation for growth and competitiveness.

University IPR Policy:

In compliance with National policy, University comes up with a new IP policy to create an IP culture for channelizing the abundance of creative and innovative energies flow in the university towards a Future India.

1. Ownership of IP:

Ownership of any IP (Patents, Designs, Copyrights, Plant variety, Circuit layouts) arising out of in-house or sponsored or collaborative research projects will rest with the Bharathidasan University (BDU) in whole.

Copyrights:

Bharathidasan University shall be the owner of all copyright works (books, articles, scholarly publications, thesis, dissertation, term papers and other documents) including software and all connected teaching materials created for teaching purposes by employees of Bharathidasan University.

The ownership of copyright by Bharathidasan University will in no way deprive the claims of the creator/author to publish their contribution in a scholarly and intellectual way and they have authority to improve, publish and propagate their works.

Patents:

Bharathidasan University shall be the owner for inventions including software where applicable, designs and integrated circuit layouts and patentable subject matter created by the creators who include faculty members, research scholars, students and those who make use of the resources of Bharathidasan University.

Exemptions:

- If the inventor/creator has not used significant resources of Bharathidasan University. The inventor(s) / creator(s) are to submit the lack of using significant resources for exemption purposes.
 - ✓ The inventions created by Bharathidasan University personnel, without using University resources and created outside their assigned/normal duties/areas of research/teaching shall be owned by the creators and the revenue generated out of such creations shall be shared in the ratio of 75:25 between the creator and Bharathidasan University respectively
- In case of govt/private funding, the distribution of IP rights is possible according to the agreement between the inventor/creator and Funding agency
- In case of publishing, the distribution of IP rights is possible according to the agreement between the author and Publisher
- Joint ownership with a 3rd party is possible only if there is intellectual contribution from the 3rd party

2. Cost:

The sharing of cost for filing and maintenance of IP arising out of Bharathidasan University is based on University norms*.

3. Revenue sharing:

Revenue arising out of IP licensing and royalty will be shared between inventor and Institute as,

- The inventor (s) / creator(s) share would be 50% and for institution is 50%. Then, share can be declared annually (or as revenues are received) and disbursement will be made to the inventor (s) / creator(s), their legal heir, whether or not the inventor (s) / creators are associated with BDU at the time of disbursement.
- Where applicable and when BDU reassigns the rights of the IP to its inventor (s) / creator(s), the cost and revenue sharing will be governed by a separate agreement between BDU and the inventor / creator(s).

* *Sharing of cost is 95%-University and 5%-Inventors as per minutes of 236th meeting of the syndicate on December 1, 2018, Ref No.32359/A1/2018*