This Certificate is Presented to



Tamil Nadu Agricultural University (TNAU)

Top Indian Academic institution in Patent

Tamil Nadu Agricultural University is a leading agrotechnology provider of India and its graduates are recognized throughout the world. Though the Tamil Nadu Agricultural University (TNAU) came into being on June 1, 1971, it had its genesis from establishment of an Agricultural School at Saidapet, Chennai, Tamil Nadu, India as early as 1868 which was later relocated at Coimbatore during 1906. Till 1946, the Agricultural College and Research Institute, Coimbatore, was the only Institute for Agricultural Education for the whole of South India. In 1958, it was recognized as a Post-graduate Centre leading to Masters and Doctoral degrees. The Agricultural College & Research Institute, Madurai was established in 1965. These two colleges formed the nucleus of the Tamil Nadu Agricultural University while it was established in 1971. TNAU has been in the frontline of agricultural research in the country.

The University is offering Thirteen Undergraduate Degree Programs, Forty Graduate Degree Programs and Twenty seven Doctoral Programs in 11 Colleges distributed in eight campuses all over Tamil Nadu. Besides, the University has 36 Research Stations for agrotechnology development and 14 Farm Science Centers for outreach.

To meet up the new demands and challenges, arising from the process of economic liberalization and globalization, the Department of Trade and Intellectual Property was created on 1st April, 2010 at the Directorate of Centre for Agricultural and Rural development Studies (CARDS) at TNAU. The objective of this department is to impart skills with respect to patent system, plant varieties registration and other forms of IPRS and trade issues through educational, research and training programes.

On 26 April 2013 World Intellectual Property Day, New Delhi

On the occasion of National Intellectual Property Awards 2013, the Confederation of Indian Industry, in partnership with the Department of Industrial Policy and Promotion and Intellectual Property Office, Government of India felicitates Industry, Institutions and individuals who have excelled in Intellectual Property Protection in India.

This National level reward & recognition system is aimed to boost the sustainable model for the growth of IP fillings and Grant of IP Rights.

These honours seek to recognize and reward individuals and organizations across India for their contribution in harnessing the country's intellectual capital and creating an eco-system that boosts creativity and innovation.









National Intellectual Property Awards 2013

The National IP Awards is conferred to recognize and reward creators/ innovators of IP who have contribute to harness the country's intellectual capital and creating an eco-system that boosts creativity and innovation. The award is constituted by Indian Patent Office, Government of India. Department of Industrial Policy and Promotion (DIPP) and Intellectual Property Office, Government of India, in collaboration with Confederation of Indian Industry (CII) recognize some of the outstanding contributions in intellectual property by providing the award on 26th April of every year, which is celebrated as World Intellectual Property Day. The award is conferred to eight categories namely, (i) Top Indian Academic Institution in Patent, (ii) Top R&D Institution in Patent, (iii) Top Indian Public Limited Company/Private Limited Company/Indian Subsidiary of a Transnational Corporation in Patent, for research and development conducted in India and subsequent first filing in India for the said developed invention, (iv) Top Indian Private Company (MSME) in Patent, (v) Top Individual in Patent, (vi) Top

Organization in Trade Mark, (vii) Top Organization in Design, and (viii) Top Individual in Design. Jury members comprised of professionals from diverse fields such as IP Professionals, Representatives from Industry Association, Academia, R&D Professionals and Representatives of the Government of India evaluated awardees based on various parameters namely number of IPR granted/registered, growth in IPR portfolio in the last five years, how IPRs are being leveraged for business goals (valuation of IPR, licensing, new products/processes launched associated with granted/registered IPR), and efforts towards enhancing IPR strength (R&D budget, human resources for R&D, collaboration with industries and universities, licensing from other sources, etc.).

Tamil Nadu Agricultural University was selected the Top Indian Academic Institution in Patent, 2013 for the reasons such as, increasing trends in filing and commercialization of patents, conducting socially relevant field of research, adequate leverage of IPRs by way of licensing, high and healthy expenditure on R&D, number of new products launched based on patents granted to the University, large appropriate engagement in collaborative R&D, a flourishing IPR culture and large number of scientists involved. The award carries one lakh cash, a memento and citation. The award function was held at Hotel Le Meridian, New Delhi on 26th April, 2013. The Vice-Chancellor of Tamil Nadu Agricultural University, Dr.K.Ramasamy received the award from Mr. Saurabh Chandra, Secretary, Department of Industrial Policy and Promotion (DIPP) and Mr. Chaitanya Prasad, Controller General of Patent, Trade Mark, Design and GI, Intellectual Property Office, Government of India.

TNAU has been in the frontline of agricultural research in the country. TNAU is playing an important role in creating awareness among the research scientists and other stakeholders about the need for strong IPR system. TNAU scientists are encouraged to protect their research findings. To face the new demands and challenges, arising from the process of economic liberalization and globalization, the Department of Trade and Intellectual Property was created on 01st April, 2010 at the Directorate of Centre for Agricultural and Rural Development Studies (CARDS), Tamil Nadu Agricultural University, Coimbatore. Objectives of the department are to impart

skills with respect to patent system, plant varieties registration and other forms of IPRs and trade issues through educational, research and training programmes which are necessary for students, agricultural scientists and other stakeholders. The department is offering courses pertaining to International Trade and Intellectual Property and Its Management in Agriculture and conducting research programmes. The department also undertakes the task of identifying the patentable products/processes and files the patentable products/processes of the TNAU scientists in the patent office and take up follow up action till the products /processes receive patent. Further, the activities such as documentation of TNAU varieties as new varieties, extant varieties and farmers' varieties of agricultural and horticultural crops, identification and registration of agricultural products under Geographical Indications are being undertaken by this Department of Trade and Intellectual Property. TNAU has also created a trade mark for its products.