

A Two day National Webinar on “**PATENT, COPYRIGHT, TRADEMARK & GI (INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY RIGHTS)** “ was organized on 18th & 19th May 2020 by MMCC, Pune, in Association with Faculty of Commerce & Management, SPPU, Pune & GMGC and WhiteCode as technology partner.

HON. DR. NITIN KARMALKAR, *Vice Chancellor, Savitribai Phule Pune University*, **HON. SHRI AMITABH KANT**, *Chief Executive Officer, NITI Aayog* and **HON. SHRI UDAY SAMANT**, *Minister, Higher Education, Govt. of Maharashtra*; inaugurated the two day programme attended online by 162 participants across India. They guided the audience for the importance of patents, upholding the values in education even in the times of pandemic and continual search for quality and excellence.

DR. PARAG KALKAR, *Dean, Faculty of Commerce & Management, Savitribai Phule Pune University*, **PRIN. B. G. JADHAV**, *Executive President, Marathwada Mitra Mandal* and **DR. DEVIDAS GOLHAR**, *Principal, Marathwada Mitra Mandal's College of Commerce*, shared their views on expectations from commerce stream, researchers from specifically rural areas and contributions from the teaching fraternity.

The technical discussion on “Patent, Copyright, Trademark & GI (Intellectual Property Rights)” was conducted by prominent speakers - **PROF. GANESH HINGMIRE**, *Chairmen, GMGC*, **MR. B. P. SINGH**, *Joint Controller of Patents & Design (Rtd.)*, **MR. HOSHIAR SINGH**, *Registrar of Copyright, Govt. of India*, **MRS. RASHMI HINGMIRE**, *Patent Attorney*, **MR. ANIRUDDHA CHINEY**, *CA & CS, International finance Consultant* and **ADV. PARESH CHINCHOLE** *Associate, GMGC, LL.B. (Hons. in Intellectual Property Law) from Indian Institute*

of Technology, Kharagpur. The participants appreciated the technical discussion and showed keen interest in the practical process of filing patent applications.