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REPORT ON WEBINAR ON INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY DAY ON THE TOPIC: EMERGING ISSUES IN IP LAW

The DPIIT-IPR Chair of National Law University, Assam, organized a webinar on the topic 'Emerging Issues in IP Law' on April 27, 2024. The webinar was held to commemorate the Intellectual Property Day and took place online from 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. The program commenced with a brief introductory note by Dr. Pankaj Kumar, the IPR Chair Professor of the DPIIT-IPR Chair at NLUJAA. Dr. Kumar also welcomed and introduced Dr. Sreenivasulu N.S., Professor of Law at the National University of Judicial Science (NUJS), Kolkata, who served as the resource person for the webinar.

Dr. Sreenivasulu N.S. began his session by discussing the reformed, readjusted, and redefined aspects of emerging subjects such as artificial intelligence and intellectual property issues in space research. He elaborated on how artificial intelligence represents a form of creativity that involves some degree of innovation. Dr. Sreenivasulu N.S. also addressed the question of how we should determine the legal status of artificial intelligence—whether it should be considered a corporate entity or an artificial person. He further explained that once artificial intelligence is classified as a corporate or artificial person, it essentially becomes a fictitious entity."

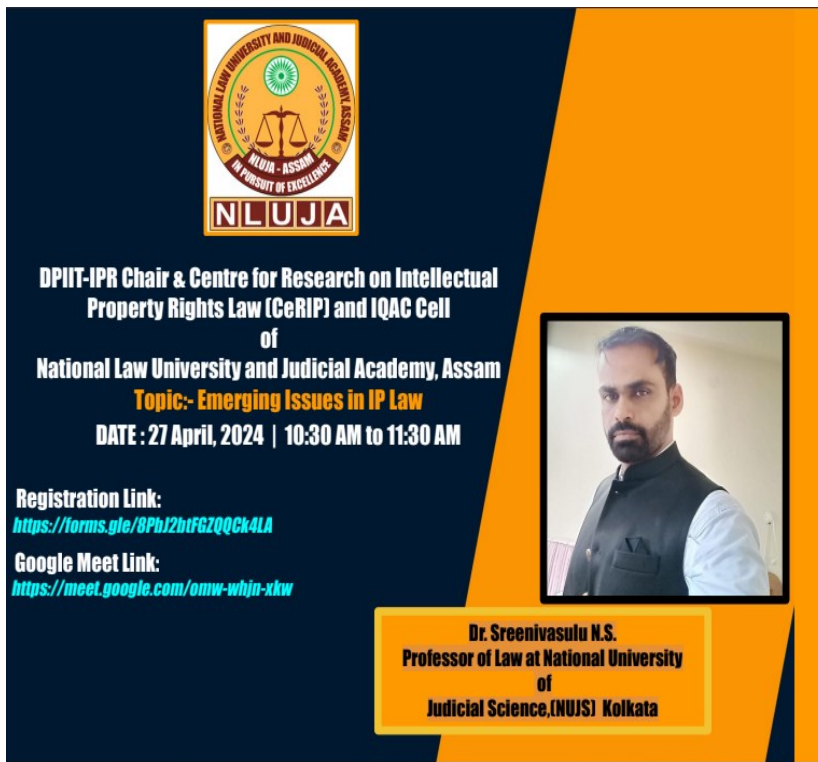
Dr Sreenivasulu discussed about that personality as status is important and said that artificial intelligence is self-regulatory personality and is on its own it is artificial entity it is not controlled by any natural possibility it is having its own individuality or its own personality then you are author artificial intelligence to become an inventor

Dr. Sreenivasulu stated that any person can become an inventor or author under patent and corporate law, respectively, depending on the circumstances.

Dr. Sreenivasulu, in his session, mentioned that Saudi Arabia has started recognizing artificial intelligence as a separate, independent fictitious personality. As a result, they are allowing AI to file patent applications, recognizing it as an author, inventor, patent holder, and even a corporate entity.

In the session, Dr. Sreenivasulu also mentioned that Saudi Arabia is the first country to recognize artificial intelligence as a separate entity, particularly in relation to intellectual property law.

Dr. Sreenivasulu, in his session, highlighted a fundamental aspect that needs to be considered first and foremost in space research: space research is universal, and no nation has control over space,



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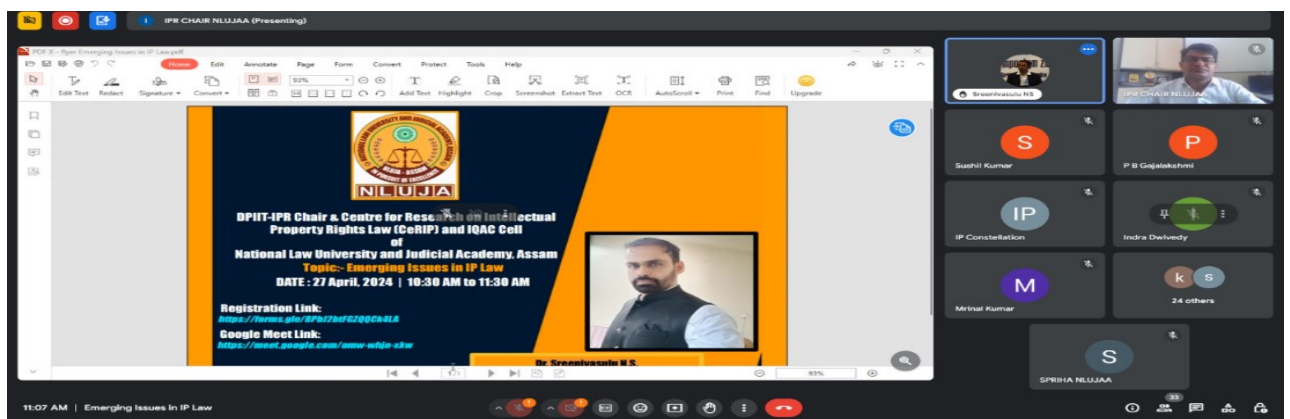
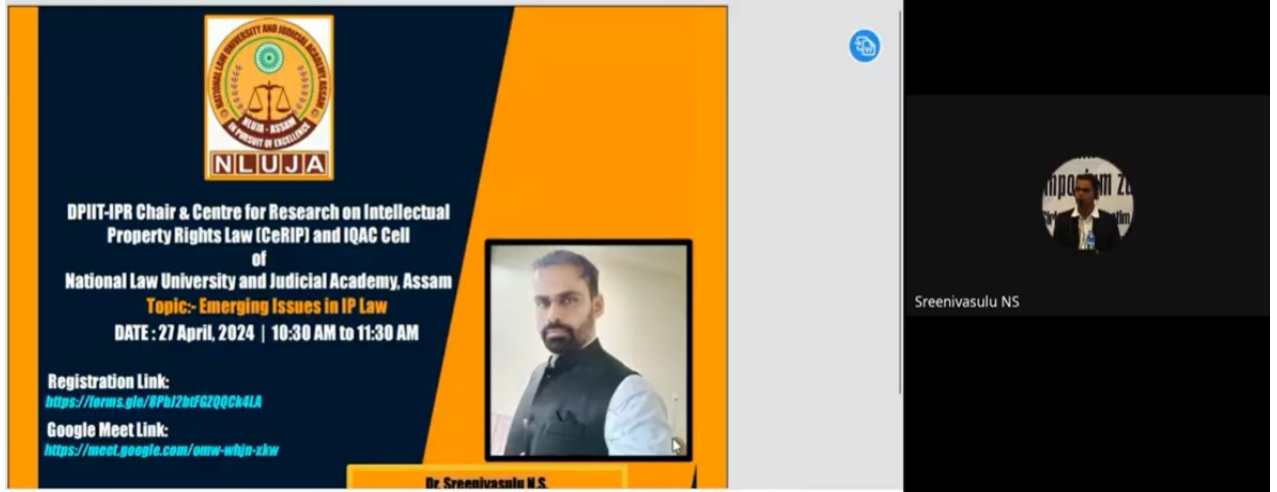
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celestial bodies, or the galaxy—what we refer to as the common heritage of mankind. Intellectual property laws, however, are territorial, and their application is territory-based. No single nation has complete authority over space research. As we contemplate intellectual property rights in the context of space research, it is important to note that countries continuously launch satellites, not only for their own governments but also for private parties and other nations, using their own space stations for these launches. Dr. Sreenivasulu also mentioned that India's recently launched space station is situated at Sriharikota, a coastal location in Andhra Pradesh near the Tamil Nadu border, close to Chennai. This is the site from which all Indian satellites and space programs are launched. In November alone, India launched 108 satellites from this center into outer space. These satellites were not only from India but also from countries like Japan and Germany. Dr. Sreenivasulu also discussed that while space research is universal in its application, some space shuttles enter orbit due to the efforts of a specific nation, such as the USA or India. The nation that launches the shuttle should have control and ownership of the data, as they would be held responsible in case of any liabilities. Therefore, any liability would be attributed to the nation that launched and controls the satellite. Similarly, any positive contributions, inventions, or cooperative work produced by the satellite should be credited to that nation. By raising these points, he questioned whether such an approach is feasible.

Dr. Sreenivasulu N.S. concluded the session by discussing the nuances of authorship and ownership in the context of intellectual property law. He emphasized that these are key aspects of emerging trends in the IP sphere, which he illustrated through various case studies.



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