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EDITORIAL

Emerging Trends for India –Breakthrough in Innovation, IP positioning and Global Trade

Recent spate of negotiations for FTA's, JV's and global investments into India has coincided with major reforms in regulatory systems. The Drugs and Medical Devices and Cosmetics Bill, 2023 is poised for imminent introduction in the Parliament. The regulatory landscape of India is likely to see major revamp for the better. The outdated nearly a century old Drugs and Cosmetics Act, 1940 is being replaced by the new proposed Act, The Drugs and Medical Devices and Cosmetics Act, 2023. On June 28, 2023 the Cabinet has approved the National Research Foundation Bill 2023 for approval in Parliament soon. This is intended to strengthen the R&D ecosystem in the country. The Government funded institutions (like DST/DBT/DSIR/BIRAC/CSIR/ICAR) and others are spearheading the renaissance in Indian innovation across a wide spectrum and fuelling the start-up ecosystem. Not to be left behind, the Indian Academia is also keeping pace and soaring high. The rank of Indian Universities in the World University Rankings has gone from 12 in 2014 to 45 in 2023-24. Indian Franchise industry is also expected to grow to USD 150 Billion in coming years. The International Fortune 500 and other leading Global brand leaders are signing up for Joint Ventures in India with leading industry groups. In line with global expectations and Indian IP and Data Protection Bills are also being tabled in Parliament which is expected to receive support from the currently buoyant Indian innovation oriented Industry and Research laboratories.

The recent initiatives being undertaken by Prof. (Dr.) Unnat Pandit, Controller General of Patents, Designs and Trademarks is augmenting the National initiatives in a major thrust. With growing emphasis and empowerment of innovation culture in India, the Industry Academia Research Institutes collaborations and joint research initiatives are also expected to get impetus and the resultant contribution to India's emergence as a global leader across Innovation and IP based infrastructural growth to emerge as an attractive destination for Global investments, is imminent.

RECRUITMENT FOR THE POST OF EXAMINERS AT THE INDIAN PATENT OFFICE

The Office of CGPDTM intends to recruit Examiners of Patents and Designs, General Central Service, Group 'A' Gazetted (Non-Ministerial) in Level 10 in Pay Matrix (₹ 56,100 – 1,77,500) plus applicable allowances, as admissible, in the Government of India. The vacancies are tentative, which may be decreased or increased depending upon the actual requirement at the time of final appointment.

❖ Important Dates At A Glance (Tentative)

Sr. No.	Activity	Date
1.	Online application process starts	14 th July 2023
2.	Online application process concludes	4 th August 2023
3.	Issuance of e-Admit Card for Preliminary Examination	14 th August 2023
4.	Preliminary Examination	3 rd September 2023
5.	Declaration of result of Preliminary Examination	13 th September 2023
6.	Issuance of e-Admit Card for Mains Examination	18 th September 2023
7.	Mains Examination	1 st October 2023
8.	Declaration of result of Mains Examination	16 th October 2023
9.	Issuance of e-Admit Card for Interview	22 nd October 2023
10.	Interview	11 th and 12 th November 2023
11.	Declaration of final list of qualified candidates	17 th November 2023

❖ Eligibility Conditions

A candidate must be either:-

- a) a citizen of India, or a subject of Nepal, or a subject of Bhutan, or a Tibetan refugee who came over to India before 1st January, 1962 with the intention of permanently settling in India, or
- b) a person of Indian origin who has migrated from Pakistan, Burma, Sri Lanka, East African countries of Kenya, Uganda, the United Republic of Tanzania, Zambia, Malawi, Zaire, Ethiopia and Vietnam with the intention of permanently settling in India (subject to such other further relaxations); and
- c) A candidate must have attained the age of 21 years and must not have attained the age of 35 years as on the last date of submission of online application. The upper age limit of 35 years will be relaxable by up to a maximum of 5 years, that is up to the maximum upper age limit of 40 years, in the case of Government servants in accordance with the instructions or orders issued by the Central Government (subject to such other further relaxations).

❖ Vacancies

Sr. No.	Discipline	SC	ST	OBC	EWS	UR	Total
1.	Bio-Technology	7	3	14	5	21	50
2.	Bio-Chemistry	3	1	5	2	9	20
3.	Food Technology	2	1	4	1	7	15
4.	Chemistry	8	3	15	6	24	56
5.	Polymer Science and Tech.	1	Nil	3	1	4	9
6.	Bio-Medical Engineering	8	3	15	5	22	53
7.	Electronics & Communication	15	6	30	11	46	108
8.	Electrical Engineering	4	1	8	3	13	29
9.	Computer Science and IT	9	3	17	6	28	63
10.	Physics	4	1	8	3	14	30
11.	Civil Engineering	1	Nil	3	1	4	9
12.	Mechanical Engineering	14	5	27	10	43	99
13.	Metallurgical Engineering	Nil	Nil	1	Nil	3	4
14.	Textile Engineering	1	Nil	2	1	4	8
	Total	77	27	152	55	242	553

❖ How To Apply

Candidates are required to apply online by using the website www.qcin.org. No other mode of application will be accepted.

Source: https://qcin.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/07/Recruitment-Notification_Final_-_30062023-1.pdf

NATIONAL INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY AWARDS 2023

National Intellectual Property (IP) Awards are conferred every year to recognize and reward the top achievers comprising individuals, institutions, organizations and enterprises, for their IP creations and commercialization, which have contributed towards strengthening IP eco-system in the country and in encouraging creativity and innovation. The National Intellectual Property Awards 2023 are to be conferred on the following 13 categories:

Sr. No.	Category	Criteria of evaluation	No. of awards	Cash prize
1	Top Indian Individual for Patents Filing, Grant & Commercialization 1(a): Male 1(b): Female 1(c): Child (< 18 years) 1(d): Third gender	10:45:45 Filing: Grant: Commercialization	04	Rs. 1,00,000/- (Rupees One Lakh only) under each category
2	Top Indian Individual for Designs Filing, Grant & Commercialization 1(a): Male 1(b): Female 1(c): Child (< 18 years) 1(d): Third gender	10:45:45 Filing: Grant: Commercialization	04	Rs. 1,00,000/- (Rupees One Lakh only) under each category
3	Top Indian Individual for Trade Marks Filing, Grant & Commercialization 1(a): Male 1(b): Female 1(c): Child (< 18 years) 1(d): Third gender	10:45:45 Filing: Grant: Commercialization	04	Rs. 1,00,000/- (Rupees One Lakh only) under each category
4	Top Indian Academic Institution for Patents Filing, Grant & Commercialization	10:45:45 Filing: Grant: Commercialization	01	Rs. 1,00,000/- (Rupees One Lakh only)
5	Top R & D Institution /Organization for Patents Filing, Grant & Commercialization	10:45:45 Filing: Grant: Commercialization	01	Rs. 1,00,000/- (Rupees One Lakh only)
6	Top Public Limited Company/Private Limited Company for Patents Filing, Grant & Commercialization in India:4(a) :Manufacturing sector 4(b) : Service Sector	10:45:45 Filing: Grant: Commercialization	02	Rs. 1,00,000/- (Rupees One Lakh only) under each category
7	Top Indian MSME for Patents Filing, Grant & Commercialization	10:45:45 Filing: Grant: Commercialization	01	Rs. 1,00,000/- (Rupees One Lakh only)

8	Top Start-up for IP Filing, (Grant/Registration) and Commercialization	10:45:45 Filing: Grant/Registration: Commercialization	01	Rs. 1,00,000/- (Rupees One Lakh only)
9	Top Indian Company /Organization for Designs Filing, Registration & Commercialization	10:45:45 Filing: Registration: Commercialization	01	Rs. 1,00,000/- (Rupees One Lakh only)
10	Top Indian Company for creating Brand in India and Abroad	10:45: 45 Trade Mark applications filed: registered in India and abroad: commercialization via filing through Madrid system	01	Rs. 1,00,000/- (Rupees One Lakh only)
11	Top Geographical Indication (GI) for Best Promotion and Protection Activities in India and Abroad	20:25:25:20:10 No. of Authorized Users: Inspections: Promotions: Quantity sold: Revenue	01	Rs. 1,00,000/- (Rupees One Lakh only)
12	For Enforcement of IP in India 12(a): Best Police Unit (District/Zone in a Commissionerate) 12(b): Cyber Cell 12(c): Customs Office	20:25:25:15:15 FIR Filed: Charge sheets : Convictions: Raids: Value of seized material in raids	03	Rs. 1,00,000/- (Rupees One Lakh only)
13	Best Incubator for Nurturing the IP	20:20:20:20:20 Assistance in promotion: Assistance in marketing: Licensing support: Assistance in fund raising: Assistance in providing office space.	01	Rs. 1,00,000/- (Rupees One Lakh only)

Contact details: The Application for National IP Awards, complete in all respects, shall be sent on the address of Mumbai Patent Office so as to reach on or before 16/07/2023 and the same shall also be sent by e-mail to ipawards.ipo@gov.in on or before 16/07/2023.

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