

## **Report on National Level Webinar on “Intellectual Property Rights (IPR) Practices in India-Innovation and Research into Patents”**

The UG and PG Departments of Biotechnology of St Aloysius College (Autonomous) Mangalore have jointly organized a National Level Webinar on “Intellectual Property Rights (IPR) Practices in India-Innovation and Research into Patents” on 23<sup>rd</sup> September 2021 at 3 pm. The objective of the webinar is to be aware of Intellectual Property Rights for faculties, students and the research community. This webinar focused on patent, design patent, copyright, trademark, trade secret, the commercialization of patents, and IP laws applicable in India. The webinar was conducted on the Zoom platform and a total of over 200 participants from across India had participated. Ms. Ramya Seshadri, Registered Indian patent agent, Ex -patent Associate, at Lawyers Collective HIV/AIDS Unit (LCHAU) was the resource person. She stressed the importance of patents in research and gave insights on various aspects of applying for patents. Mr. Sreejesh P C, HoD & Assistant professor, Department of Biotechnology was the Convener, Dr. Shreelalitha Suvarna, HoD & Assistant professor, Department of PG studies and research in Biotechnology was the co-convener and Mrs. Renita Maria D’Souza, Assistant professor, Department of Biotechnology was the organizing secretary of the program.