## **Report on Webinar on Intellectual Property Rights**

IQAC in collaboration with the Department of Psychology conducted a webinar on Intellectual Property Rights on June 12, 2021, Saturday at 3.30 pm on the Google Meet platform. The resource person for the webinar was Mr. Vishwanath Mannadiar, Advocate and Solicitor. Around 60 participants attended the webinar which included faculty members and students of MA Counselling Psychology. The webinar started with the welcome address by Dr Bharat Pathak, Honorary Secretary, SMES. The resource person was introducted by Principal Dr Leena Raje.

Mr Mannadiar spoke on why we have to protect innovations, ideas or intellectual properties. He explained the concept of Intellectual Property in detail. He explained the rights of owners of such intellectual properties. He stressed on safeguarding the intellectual properties against plagiarism and stealing. He spoke of intellectual property in light of academia. He highlighted the misuse of copyrighted material in higher education through mode of photocopying and copying of research ideas. He spoke against research scholars using material of other research papers and insisted on keeping plagiarism checks as a means of minimizing this offence. He also spoke on content creation by faculty members. According to him, as the faculty member creates content in terms of notes, educational aids, or videos during the working hours, they are the intellectual property of the institute that they are working for. After the session, students asked questions related to research citations and references. Mr Mannadiar answered each question in detail. The session ended with a vote of thanks by IQAC Coordinator, Mrs Madhavi Sathe.

The YouTube Link was for the webinar:

https://youtu.be/IVN3DYgc0I8

