



Even Semester End Term Examination, May / June 2026

Date: 26/05/2026

Time: 01.00 PM - 04.00 PM

Course Code: LAW4083

Course Name: IPR in SMEs

Semester: Eight Semester

Max. Marks: 100

Weightage: 50%

CO - Levels	CO1	CO2	CO3	CO4	CO5
Marks	16	24	50	50	40

PART A: Answer Following Questions. 20 M

Qn.No	Questions	M	CO	BT
1	Briefly explain how MSMEs are classified under the MSME Act and state why such classification is significant.	2	CO1	BT2
2	Distinguish between intellectual assets and intellectual property.	2	CO2	BT2
3	Identify two suitable IP forms for a startup and state their purpose.	2	CO2	BT2
4	Explain role of trademarks in MSME growth.	2	CO2	BT2
5	Explain accelerated examination and its relevance.	2	CO2	BT2
6	Explain significance of GI for MSMEs.	2	CO2	BT2
7	Explain fee reduction benefits.	2	CO1	BT2
8	Explain how patent pooling can be used as a strategic tool by MSMEs to overcome resource and technology constraints.	2	CO2	BT2
9	Identify risk of poor trade secret management.	2	CO1	BT2
10	Explain licensing revenue generation.	2	CO2	BT2

PART B: Answer Any 1 Following Questions. 10 M

Qn.No	Questions	M	CO	BT
11	An MSME's confidential information is misused by a former employee. State legal implications.	10	CO1	BT3
12	An MSME enters into a licensing agreement allowing a third party to use its intellectual property. Due to poorly drafted terms, the MSME loses effective control over how the IP is used. Apply principles of IP licensing to identify the legal issues involved and suggest how such	10	CO2	BT2

risks could have been prevented.

PART C: Answer Any 1 Following Questions. 10 M

Qn.No	Questions	M	CO	BT
13	Analyze the role of institutional and regulatory support in bridging the gap between intellectual property creation and its effective utilization by MSMEs.	10	CO4	BT3
14	Examine the limitations of existing intellectual property support systems in effectively reaching and benefiting MSMEs, particularly those operating in smaller or unorganized sectors.	10	CO4	BT3

PART D: Answer Any 1 Following Questions. 10 M

Qn.No	Questions	M	CO	BT
15	Analyze the implications of an MSME choosing patent protection over maintaining a trade secret, with reference to disclosure requirements, cost considerations, and long-term business strategy.	10	CO3	BT4
16	Analyze how incorrect selection of intellectual property protection can adversely affect the growth, competitiveness, and sustainability of MSMEs.	10	CO3	BT4

PART E: Answer Any 1 Following Questions. 15 M

Qn.No	Questions	M	CO	BT
17	Critically assess the effectiveness of existing intellectual property support mechanisms in addressing the practical needs of MSMEs in India, with reference to accessibility, implementation, and outcomes.	15	CO3	BT4
18	Evaluate whether awareness and training initiatives alone are sufficient to improve the adoption of intellectual property practices among MSMEs, considering other structural and economic constraints.	15	CO3	BT4

PART F: Answer Any 1 Following Questions. 15 M

Qn.No	Questions	M	CO	BT
19	Evaluate the consequences of weak internal intellectual property management practices in MSMEs, particularly in relation to trade secrets and confidential business information.	15	CO4	BT5
20	Draft a set of corrective measures for an MSME that has failed to effectively manage its intellectual property assets, focusing on internal processes, documentation, and protection mechanisms.	15	CO4	BT5

PART G: Answer Any 1 Following Questions. 20 M

Qn.No	Questions	M	CO	BT
21	Critically examine the MSME Support for Commercialization of Intellectual Property (MSME-SCIP) Programme (2023) and evaluate how its components contribute to addressing the challenges of IP commercialization faced by MSMEs.	20	CO5	BT4
22	Illustrate intellectual property strategy for an MSME operating under resource constraints, focusing on prioritization of IP tools, cost efficiency, and sustainable commercialization.	20	CO5	BT5