Report

On 29 November 2025, a one-day workshop on *Intellectual Property Rights* was organised by Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) of Govt. Degree College, Tral, in collaboration with the Jammu and Kashmir Entrepreneurship Development Institute (JK EDI), Pulwama. The event focused on linking Intellectual Property Rights with entrepreneurship,



government schemes, innovation financing, technology integration, and human resource management to promote employability and self-reliance among participants.

The workshop began with a formal welcome address by Dr. Mohammad Rafiq Wani, Associate Professor and Head of Botany Department, who highlighted the importance of Intellectual Property Rights

in fostering innovation and institutional growth. Guest speakers were honoured with mementos and bouquets as a token of appreciation for their contributions. The primary technical session, led by Mr. Rayees Ahmad from JK EDI, addressed the employability crisis and entrepreneurship as an economically viable alternative. He detailed key schemes





such as the Jammu and Kashmir Start-up

Policy and Mission Yova, emphasising their inclusive access provisions. The session also covered challenges related to conventional banking for innovation and JK EDI's role in providing financial facilitation, mentoring, and technology-enabled enterprise development.



offering an overview of government support for start-ups, addressing employability challenges, and promoting entrepreneurship as a sustainable career option. An emphasis was placed on inclusive entrepreneurship that overcomes gender and social barriers and on strengthening institutional collaboration for capacity building and professional development.

Participants, including both staff and students of the college, actively engaged in the The workshop underscored innovation financing, technology adoption, and gender-neutral policy frameworks as effective alternatives to traditional employment, especially in the Jammu and Kashmir regional context. It aimed to sensitise participants to the role of Intellectual Property Rights in academic and business settings while



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programme, ensuring comprehensive institutional representation. Dr. Feroze Raffiqui, Head of Chemistry Department, efficiently anchored the proceedings, maintaining the tone of the event. Participants gained conceptual clarity on Intellectual Property Rights, practical understanding of regional entrepreneurship schemes, and recognition of entrepreneurship as a financially viable career path, alongside insights into contemporary human resource management and innovation financing.

The workshop successfully combined theoretical knowledge with applied perspectives, fulfilling its objectives of enhancing awareness and capacity building in Intellectual Property Rights, entrepreneurship, and human resource management for the benefit of students and faculty alike.

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