Recently, the 6th BRICS HIPO (Head of Intellectual Property Offices) meeting was held in Moscow, Russia. Shri O.P. Gupta, Controller General of Patents & Designs, Trade Marks and GI headed the Indian delegation. The conference was chaired by Gregory Ivliev, Head of the Federal Service for Intellectual Property (Rospatent) and attended by all BRICS countries.

The conference reviewed the progress of intellectual property (IP) cooperation between the BRICS in the past year and deliberated and adopted documents within the six cooperation areas based on the BRICS Intellectual Property Offices Cooperation Roadmap. It was also decided to strengthen the work of the BRICS IP Coordinating Team and establish a cooperative network between the five IP offices. After the conference, the BRICS IP offices passed and signed the summary of the meetings.

The chair of the BRICS IP Cooperation Programme this year has been handed over to the INDIA, CGPDTM being the Chairman.

During the conference, the BRICS IP offices held talks on topics such as “WIPO draft Design Law Treaty (DLT)” and “Patents and Public Health”, and exchanged views on subjects such as joint comparative studies on IP laws and IP distance education. The participants also had in-depth discussions to encourage policy for innovation, measures encouraging applications for patenting abroad, intellectual property rights (IPR) protection and disclosure of genetic resources. The delegations also visited the Skolkovo Innovation Center in Russia and attended the round-table conference held by the Eurasian Patent Organization (EAPO) concerning the experience and best practices in applying for a patent abroad.

During the visit, CGPDTM also held bilateral talks with Mr. Gregory Ivliev, Head of the Federal Service for Intellectual Property (Rospatent). The two sides exchanged views on bilateral cooperation in areas of examination and IP training, and agreed to conduct expert exchanges in automation, data exchange protocols.
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