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The Kerala State Industrial Development Corporation (KSIDC) has signed a Memorandum of Understanding with The Inter-University Centre for Intellectual Property Rights Studies (IUCIPRS) of the Cochin University of Science and Technology (Cusat) for spreading awareness about the importance of intellectual property rights and facilitating search and filing of provisional patent applications for inventions of the start-ups.

The MoU was signed between KSIDC Managing Director M. Beena and N.S. Gopalakrishnan, Director, IUCIPRS, in the presence of Vice-Chancellor J. Letha, said a press release here.

As per the MoU, the start-ups funded by the KSIDC as well as those incubated at KSIDC's incubation centres will be provided expert advice and technical support for patent searching and novelty search reports. Assistance will also be provided for filing of provisional patent application in India at IUCIPRS, which will also conduct awareness sessions periodically on intellectual property rights based on the request from the KSIDC.