

## Karnataka State Council for Science and Technology receives special recognition

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700 patents filed from Karnataka in the last three years, 10 granted

Karnataka Government has announced that more than 700 patents have been filed by Karnataka State Council for Science and Technology (KSCST) assisted IP cells in the last three years. More than 10 patents have been granted and the rest are in process.

Karnataka State's Patent Information Centre received a special citation from Minister Piyush Goyal for its commendable work at the National Intellectual Property Awards 2021 & 2022.

Commenting on the accomplishment, Dr. C N Ashwath Narayan, Minister for IT & BT, Science & Technology, Higher Education, Skill Development, Entrepreneurship & Livelihood, Government of Karnataka said, "Karnataka State has topped the India Innovation Index for three successive terms. Our efforts in getting more patents go a long way in further accelerating our innovative growth and maintaining the top rank in the index. I congratulate Indian Institute of Science and Karnataka State Council for Science & Technology for striving hard to achieve this and extend full support to achieve further milestones".

Towards patent facilitation in the state of Karnataka, Patent Facilitation Centre (PFC) has supported setting up of a Patent Information Centre (PIC) at Karnataka State Council for Science and Technology, Indian Institute of Science, Bengaluru. This centre was started on 31st of March 2005 to render IPR related services among S&T community.

Since its inception, KSCST has established 58 IP cells across Universities, Engineering Institutions, and Science, Law and Agricultural colleges.

As an initiative under make in India, KSCST is developing an app-based networking platform called "Patentkart" for commercialisation of IPR. Patentkart is expected to benefit patent holders and the clients in commercializing their IP. The app will be functional by early 2023.