GOVERNMENT OF PAKISTAN
Commerce Division
Intellectual Property Organization of Pakistan

Chairman
File No.01/Chairman/IPO-Pak/2026

Islamabad 06 October 2026

Subject: Subject: Free Patent Drafting and Filing Support for Researchers through the WIPO Inventor Assistance Program (IAP), in Partnership with IPO-Pakistan: Dissemination among R&D Institutions

Dear Chairman PCSIR,

السلام علیکم

As you are aware, IPO-Pakistan is the focal body of the Federal Government for the protection, registration, enforcement and promotion of Intellectual Property Rights in the country. PCSIR has played a commendable role as central organization of Scientific & Technological information resources for supporting Research & Development leading to sustainable socio-economic development in the country. Converting that research into protected and commercialisable inventions is an area where our two organizations can work closely together.

2. IPO-Pakistan is implementing the WIPO Inventor Assistance Program (IAP) in Pakistan in partnership with the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO). Under the IAP, eligible inventors, including university researchers, faculty members, students and small enterprises, are matched with qualified patent attorneys and agents who provide pro bono (free) assistance in drafting and filing patent applications, both in Pakistan and abroad. The program removes the cost and technical barriers that often prevent valuable research from being patented. However, awareness of this facility within the academic community remains limited.

3. In view of the above, PCSIR is requested to:
a. place a link to the IAP (https://www.wipo.int/en/web/inventor-assistance-program) on the PCSIR website, and
b. circulate this information to all public and private sector universities and degree-awarding institutions, with a request that they share it with their faculties, ORICs and research students and encourage them to make active use of the program.

4. IPO-Pakistan would also be glad to hold awareness sessions for universities and ORICs on the IAP and patent filing, in coordination with PCSIR.

5. Your support in this regard will help ensure that the research generated in Pakistani universities is translated into protected intellectual property and contributes to national development.

With regards,

Yours sincerely,

(Prof. Dr. Hafiz Aziz ur Rehman)
Chairman, IPO-Pakistan

Office of the Member (Technology)
PCSIR HEAD OFFICE, Islamabad
Dy No 487
Dated 16-10-2026

Dr. Syed Hussain Imam Abidi (S.I),
Chairman
Pakistan Council of Scientific and Industrial Research (PCSIR),
01-Constitution Avenue, Sector G-5/2, Islamabad

Chairman's Office PCSIR H.Q.
Mem (Sci)
Mem (Tech)
Mem (Admn)
Secretary
Director
Diary No. 2
Dated 12-10

SAO (T.W).