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THE ROLE OF INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY OFFICES (IPOs) IN PROMOTING INNOVATION, BUSINESS COMPETITIVENESS AND ECONOMIC GROWTH

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Overview

- Introduction
- Monitoring
- Review / Evaluation
- Different Approaches and Illustrations
- Success Factors
- Concluding Remarks
Introduction

- Policies, strategies and legislation based on a given set of conditions at the time of establishment

- Conditions change
  - Effectiveness of implementation of policy, strategy, legislation
  - Failure of the policy, strategy, legislation
  - Impact of other policies, strategies and legislation
  - Market conditions
  - Global trends – globalisation

- Monitoring and Review critical for determining achievement of objects of policy, strategy or legislation
Effective Monitoring and Review mechanisms demonstrate transparency and confer accountability.

- Must clearly define:
  - What is to be measured
  - What is the purpose of measurement / monitoring
  - How should it be monitored
  - Who is responsible for monitoring and review
  - What should be monitored and reviewed must be clearly defined in terms of SMART – Specific, Measurable, Attainable, Realistic and Time based
Monitoring

Key Issues

- Monitoring is **routine, regular assessment** of ongoing activities and progress

- The Monitoring must address the following:
  - Implementation of planned activities as envisaged / planned
  - Meeting of deadlines
  - Meeting of milestones and deliverables
  - Barriers to achievement of envisaged milestones and deliverables
  - What adjustments must be made in light of findings
Review / Evaluation

- **Occasional determination / assessment** of overall achievement.

- Focus on achievements as well as impacts of initiative

- The Review / Evaluation must address the following:
  - Have desired results that necessitated their passing been achieved?
  - To what extent has that been achieved and how?
  - Are the results directly attributable to the intervention or incidental?
  - What else has contributed to the achievement?
  - What impact?
  - In essence this is an assessment of whether the policy, strategy or legislation is achieving the right things
Approaches to Monitoring & Review

- Institutional / Operational
  - Based on annual or time based agreed goals / objectives (e.g. business plan targets)
  - E.g. development of capacity for patent examiners; establishment of electronic filing system; increase in patent and trademark filings

- Policy
  - Establishment of committees / panels
  - Focus groups to review climatic conditions to establish legislation
  - External review – e.g. OECD territorial
Approaches to Monitoring & Review

- Legislative
  - Parliamentary Committees
  - Governance Boards
  - Powers conferred under a legislation

Evidence based monitoring and review

Evidence must be established during indicator and target setting
## Measurement Framework

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### Measurement Framework
(Example)

#### 2012-13 POA

**OUTCOME 4: Decent employment through inclusive economic growth**

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Legislative Approaches  
e.g. IPR-PFRD Act, 2008

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<td>• Number of granted patents</td>
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<td>• Number of jobs created</td>
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**NIPMO**
- IP disclosures by recipients
- Annual submissions of commercialisation reports
- Audits of IP and commercialisation
- Advisory Panel
- Dispute Panel

**OTT**
- IP Committees
- Business Plans and outcomes frameworks

**Institutional Arrangements**
* National Intellectual Property Management Office (NIPMO)
* Office of Technology Transfer
Legislative Approaches

e.g. IPR-PFRD Act, 2008

Act No. 51, 2008

INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY RIGHTS FROM PUBLICLY
FINANCED RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT ACT, 2008

(h) report to NIPMO twice a year and as provided for in this Act, on all matters pertaining to the intellectual property contemplated in this Act, including all intellectual property from which it elects to obtain statutory protection and the state of commercialisation thereof, in a manner stipulated by NIPMO;

(i) provide NIPMO with full reasons in respect of any intellectual property that is not commercialised; and

(j) in respect of an institution, put in place mechanisms to annually assess, record and report to NIPMO on the benefits for society of publicly financed research conducted in that institution.

(f) monitor, evaluate and review the obligations of recipients in terms of this Act.

(5) In addition to its other functions, NIPMO may do anything necessary to meet the objects of this Act and to carry out any other function consistent with those objects that may be prescribed.
Success Factors for Monitoring and Review  ...1/2

- Clear mandate in respect of the monitoring and review body (e.g. committee, board, organisation, etc.)

- Clear guidelines on what to monitor and review

- Clear deliverables and milestones against which to monitor

- Historical performance as benchmark of performance

- Clear understanding of circumstances that may affect performance
Success Factors for Monitoring and Review ...2/2

- Evidence based monitoring and review mechanisms provide more objective outcomes

- Baselines are important for determining progress being made

- Successful reviews also depend on clear “Terms of Reference” for reviewers / evaluators – must ensure these are developed well upfront

- Ability to institute corrective action (e.g. adjustment of targets, amendments to legislation, development of supportive legislation, provision of resources, etc.)
Concluding Remarks

- Monitoring is like “on-course inspection of cockpit instruments and effecting course adjustments”
  - Essential to ensure that achieve desired results – don’t get drastically off-course and crash into mountain
  - Clear plan or ‘flight path’ is a precondition to successful monitoring
  - Precondition for a successful review and evaluation – ensures that impact achieved

- Review is critical to justify public expenditure, resource allocation, ensure alignment with other policy, strategy and legislative imperatives
Concluding Remarks
Cross-cutting nature of intellectual property

- Effectiveness of policies, strategies and legislation may have other dependencies

- Need to understand the various eco-systems and inputs (e.g. R&D funding, state of the economy, etc.)
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