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Date: Tuesday, June 23, 2026

Time: 11:00 am to 13:35 pm IST (*7:30 am to 10:05 am CET*)

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PROVISIONAL PROGRAM

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10.30 – 11.00	**Registration**	– Participants Join Online
11.00 – 11.20 (7:30am CET)	**Welcome & Opening Remarks:**	– Special address by Prof. (Dr.) Unnat P. Pandit, Controller General of Patents, Designs and Trade Marks (CGPDTM), India – Special address by Ms. Christine Bonvallet, Director, PCT International Cooperation Division, PCT Legal and International Affairs Department, Patents and Technology Sector, World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO), Geneva – Special address by Prof. Yogesh Singh, Chairman, and Prof. Shyama Rath, Member Secretary, New Delhi, All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE)
Core Sessions – Part I **Moderators: WIPO, AICTE**		
11.20 – 11.40	**Session 1**	**Introduction to IP and Protection of IP Rights Beyond India.** Speaker: Prof. (Dr.) Unnat P. Pandit, CGPDTM, India
11.40 – 12.15	**Session 2**	**Introduction to the PCT System for International Patent Protection. Key Benefits for Innovators.** Speaker: Ms. Anjali Aeri, Counsellor, PCT International Cooperation Division (PCT ICD), PCT Legal and International Affairs Department, Patents and Technology Sector (PTS), WIPO, Geneva
12.15 – 12.35	**Session 3**	**The ePCT System for Electronic Filing of PCT Applications** Speaker: Ms. Viviane Gross, Head, PCT Technical Cooperation and Outreach Section, PCT Legal and International Affairs Department, PCT ICD, PTS, WIPO, Geneva

12.35 – 12.40		**Coffee Break**
Core Sessions – Part II		
12.40 – 13.20	**Session 4**	**Role of the Indian Patent Office as:** 1. PCT receiving Office (RO) Speaker: Dr. Rohit Rathore, In-charge, PCT-RO, India 2. PCT International Searching and Preliminary Examining Authority (ISA/IPEA) Speaker: Ms. Sweta Rajkumar, Deputy Head, ISA-IPEA, India
Interactive Segment –		
13.20 – 13.30		**Q & A with WIPO & IPO Experts** Moderators: WIPO, IP India
13.30 – 13.35		Closing Remarks

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