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Post-Graduate Diploma in Patents Law (Batch 2019 – 2020)

Take Home – Supplementary Examination (January, 2021)

**Paper III - Patent Law & Practice in India & International
Patent Regimes (Covering subjects 1.3 & 1.4)**

TOTAL MARKS: 100

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

- a) Read the instructions for Take Home Examination carefully and adhere to the same.
 - b) *Please mention your name, ID No., subject name and total number of pages on the Answer Sheet.*
 - c) *Clearly indicate the question numbers while answering them.*
 - d) *Answer all the four questions and each question carries 25 marks.*
 - e) *Each answer should be written in 1000 – 1200 words only.*
 - f) *Since this is a take home exam, we expect your answers to be analytical rather than straight answers.*
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Q1. Patent law provides private monopolies to individuals over their inventions? How does patent law ensure that the public interest is maintained in such monopolisation? Discuss in detail with examples.

Q2. Analyse the patentability of the following invention: X invents a door knob made of clay and porcelain, which could be used in very low or high temperatures without deformation and was cheaper than existing knobs. The prior art relating to the knob includes:

- a) Door knobs made of metal, which were being sold and used extensively
- b) Kitchen utensils made of clay and porcelain.

Q3. What role does IP licensing play in modern innovation environment? Discuss in detail.

Q4. Write analytical notes on **(12 ½ x 2 = 25 Marks)**

- a) Hatch Waxman Act
- b) FRAND