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NALSAR UNIVERSITY OF LAW, HYDERABAD**

P.G.DIPLOMA IN PATENTS LAW (Batch 2018 – 2019)

**Take Home – Supplementary Exams (January, 2021)
(Old Syllabus)**

**PAPER I - Introduction to IPR & American and European Patent Regimes -
(Covering Modules 1 and 3)**

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. Write a comparative note on patent law protection and trade secret protection and explain the factors which must go into deciding whether a corporation should use the patent law route or trade secret route to protect its innovation?

Q2. Write a comparative note on the inventor centric and social welfare centric approaches to Intellectual Property? Which one would you prefer and why?

Q3. Discuss the judicial evolution of software patents in US with three significant case decisions.

Q4. Write a comparative note on trademark law and geographical indications law.