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Dr. Kanika Malik received her B.Sc. (Hons) in Botany from Delhi University and M.Sc. and PhD in Biotechnology. To her credit passed DL101 - WIPO academy course with distinction (92% marks).

She has 27 years of professional experience; out of which 20 years in the field of Intellectual Property Rights.

Dr. Malik has been associated with ICAR for her research work in NRCPB, IARI and NBPGR, Pusa Campus, New Delhi.

Served as Examiner of Patents and Designs in Delhi Branch Patent Office with the Ministry of Commerce and Industries, Govt. of India. She was actively involved in the amendment of Indian Patent Act, 2002.

Since August 2006, she has been with the Council of Scientific & Industrial Research. She is currently a Senior Principal Scientist at CSIR-National Institute of Science Communication and Policy Research (NIScPR).

She is also a regular faculty for Short-Term Courses on Intellectual Property Rights, conducted at CSIR. She has organised various programmes in the field of IPR as coordinator.

Dr. Kanika Malik is also Secretary of Indian Women Scientist's Association (IWSA), Honorary Member of Indian Institute of Management, Ahmadabad (IIMA), Administrative Staff College of India, (ASCI), Hyderabad and Centre for Organisation Development (COD) Hyderabad.

During her scientific career, Dr. Malik has been awarded with many awards like, Distinguished Scientist Award, Young Scientist Award, Science Communication Award, Young Scientific Fellow Awards, etc.

She has also been a member of a number of national and international scientific committees. Delivered invited talks, presented papers and chaired the technical sessions in various conferences.

Dr. Malik has published a number of research papers in International SCI journals. She has guided many students for their PG programs.

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