

PATENTS

‘INVENT IT. PROTECT IT.’

All inventions begin with an “idea”. Once the idea becomes an actual product you can apply to the Government of India for a patent to protect the product and/or the process to make the product.

You should protect your invention by patenting it so that you can prevent others from stealing, claiming, cloning or selling your idea! A patent lasts for 20 years. In return, you have to disclose your invention to the public so that everyone can benefit from it.

What can be patented?

- 👉 An ‘invention’ and not a ‘discovery’
- 👉 A product or a process that is new or ‘novel’ and different from what is available
- 👉 Something that has a ‘use’ and can be ‘made’ in an industry or on a commercial scale



Hey, friends! I invented a machine that makes it possible for humans to talk to animals. By patenting it, I could protect my invention from others and sell it in the market. Now, I am an inventor, a patent holder AND a business owner!

NO KIDDING!



Hridayeshwar Singh Bhati of Jaipur obtained a patent for his invention of **six-player circular chess** at the age of 9



Popsicles were invented by **Frank Epperson** of USA when he was only 11 years old



Louis Braille was only 15 years old when he invented **braille**, a system of reading and writing used by the blind



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