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Memorandum of Understanding

**National Institute of Rural Development & Panchayati Raj
North Eastern Regional Centre
Khanapara, Guwahati**
(An Organization of Ministry of Rural Development, Government of India)

And

**Krishna Kanta Handiqui State Open University (KKHSOU)
Patgaon, Rani, Guwahati-781017**
(A State Open University established by the Govt. of Assam)

This Memorandum of Understanding made between NIRDPR-NERC, Guwahati (an Organization of Ministry of Rural Development, Government of India) and KKHSOU, Guwahati (A State Open University established by the Govt. of Assam)

1. PURPOSE OF MoU

The purpose of the MOU is to promote mutual cooperation in educational and research activities and establish a framework for programme of exchange and collaboration in areas of Rural Development, Panchayati Raj Institution, Tourism and other areas of common interests for mutual benefit. This MoU would be applicable on mutually convenient and acceptable terms and conditions.

2. SCOPE OF CO-OPERATION

For furtherance of the objectives of both the organizations, and considering the long term benefit of sharing the knowledge, resources and capacity by undertaking collaborative activities of research and extension, it is hereby agreed between NIRDPR-NERC, Guwahati and KKHSOU, Guwahati as under :

- Both the Institutions shall work for joint and collaborative research and consultancy in the thrust areas of common interests.
- Both the Institutions shall work for joint organization of conference/workshop/seminar/symposia/summer/School/training/lectures etc. to improve the exchange of knowledge and experience.
- Both the Institutions shall work for the exchange of faculty depending on the requirement and experience, for the benefit of the students and research scholars.
- Both the Institutions shall collaborate in research guidance and internship of students. They shall also be working together in the areas of curriculum development and enrichment.
- Both the Institutions shall arrange to send faculty members as resource persons depending upon their availability.
- Both the Institutions shall facilitate inter- institution visits by the research scholar for wider academic understanding and exposure.
- Both the Institutions shall indulge in exchange of books, Journals and teaching materials including textbooks, audio-videos Publications, reports and other teaching aids.
- Both the Institution shall indulge in joint publication of books, Journals, Research publications and teaching materials etc.

3. IMPLEMENTATION OF THE MOU

- NIRDPR- NERC. Guwahati appoints Prof. R.M. Pant, Director hereinafter referred to as NIRDPR-NERC representative.
- KKHSOU, Guwahati appoints Dr. Arupjyoti Choudhury, Registrar hereinafter referred to as KKHSOU representative.

Arupjyoti Choudhury
Registrar
Kishore Kumar Handique
State Open University
Guwahati

Arupjyoti Choudhury
6/8/19

4. FINANCIAL ARRANGEMENT

- Any cooperation under this MoU is subject to the availability of funding sources and approval of relevant authorities.
- Any project of joint interests shall be detailed in a separate financial and programme specific arrangements.

5. EFFECTIVE DATE, DURATION, MODIFICATION OF MoU

- This MoU shall be effective from the date of signing and shall remain in force for a period of 60 months from the said date. The duration may be extended with the consent of both the parties under mutually agreed terms and conditions.
- Unless otherwise extended by both the parties, the MoU shall be deemed to be terminated on expiry of the period mentioned above.
- Any change/modification in the MOU as suggested by the Director, NIRDPR-NERC, Guwahati or the Registrar, KKHSOU, Guwahati at a later date will be binding on both the organizations.

6. FORCE MAJEURE

Neither party shall be held responsible for non-fulfillment of their respective obligations under this MoU due to the exigency of one or more of the force majeure events such as, but not limited to acts of God, War, Floods, Earthquake, Strikes, Lockouts, Epidemics, Riots, Civil Commotions etc.

7. AMENDMENTS TO THE MoU

No amendment or modification of this MoU shall be valid unless the same is made in writing by both the parties or their authorized representatives and specifically stating the same to be an amendment of this MoU. The modifications/changes shall be effective from the date on which they are made/executed unless otherwise agreed to.

8. ASSIGNMENT OF MoU

The rights or/and liabilities arising to any part to this MoU shall not be assigned except with the written consent of the other party and subject to such terms and conditions as may be agreed upon between involved parties.

5/8/2015
Registrar
Kishor Kumar
State Council
of
Higher
Secondary
Education
Guwahati
Assam

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9. CONFLICT RESOLUTION

In the event of any dispute or difference between the parties here to, such disputes or differences shall be resolved amicably by mutual consultation.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have signed, sealed and delivered this agreement on the
..... in the presence of:

For and on behalf of NIRDPR-NERC,
Guwahati

Signature: [Signature]

Name: Prof. R. M. Pant

Designation: Director

Seal:

For KKHSOU, Guwahati

Signature: [Signature]

Name: Dr. Arupjyoti Choudhury

Designation: Registrar

Seal: Registrar
Krishna Kantia Handiqui
State Open University
Guwahati

WITNESSES

Signature: [Signature]

Name: DR. RATNA BHUYAN

Designation: ASSISTANT PROFESSOR
NIRDPR-NERC

Date: 0-08-19

WITNESSES

Signature: [Signature]

Name: Prof. Umesh Deka

Designation: Director, BKRI, KKHSOU

Date: 06/08/2019