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A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING
FOR ACADEMIC COOPERATION

BETWEEN

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கீழ்க்கோட்டை கிராமம்
செழியம்பட்டி (அக்கல்)
கிளைநாள்மட்டி கார்ப்புகல்



THE GANDHIGRAM RURAL INSTITUTE
(Deemed to be University)
Gandhigram - 624 302, Dindigul
Tamil Nadu, India.



**INDIAN INSTITUTE OF INFORMATION
TECHNOLOGY, SENAPATI, MANIPUR**
(An Institution of National Importance)
City-Campus, Mantripukhri, Imphal,
Manipur - 795 002

This MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (hereinafter referred to as the "MoU" is entered into this

MADE BETWEEN

The Gandhigram Rural Institute (Deemed to be University) which is administered by the Ministry of Education, Government of India and funded through UGC, New Delhi and having an address at Gandhigram-624 302, Dindigul, Tamil Nadu, India. (hereinafter referred to as "GRI")

AND

The Indian Institute of Information Technology, Senapati, Manipur (IIITM), an Institution of National Importance established under an Act of Parliament, administered by the Ministry of

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Education, Government of India, and located at Mantripukhri, Imphal-795002, Manipur, India (hereinafter referred to as "IIITM"),

seeking to improve understanding between their respective academic Institution and to establish collaborations mutually benefiting their faculty members, scholars and students, have agreed to sign this "MoU" as a first step toward achieving these shared goals.

WHEREAS

- A. GRI was established in 1956 and was declared as Deemed to be University in 1976 under Section 3 of UGC Act 1956 and is offering a number of academic programmes at Undergraduate, Post-graduate and Doctoral degree in Sciences, Social Sciences, Agriculture & Animal Husbandry, Health & Sanitation, Rural Industries, Computer Applications, Civil Engineering, Rural Energy, Rural Technologies, Applied Geology, Geoinformatics, Lifelong Learning and Extension, Gender Studies etc., besides conducting advanced sponsored research and carrying out the consultancy and extension outreach activities towards integrated rural development.
- B. The Indian Institute of Information Technology, Senapati, Manipur (IIITM) was established in 2015 as an Institution of National Importance under an Act of Parliament, administered by the Ministry of Education, Government of India. IIITM offers a range of academic programmes at Undergraduate and Doctoral levels in the areas of Computer Science and Engineering, Electronics and Communication Engineering, Artificial Intelligence, Data Science, Cyber Security, Quantum Computing, VLSI and Embedded Systems, and related interdisciplinary domains. In addition, the Institute is actively engaged in advanced sponsored research projects, consultancy, innovation, and extension activities aimed at fostering technology development, entrepreneurship, and capacity building in the North-East region and the nation at large.
- C. The Parties are desirous of entering into this MoU to declare their respective intentions and to establish a basis of co-operation and collaboration between the Parties upon the terms as contained herein.

NOW THE PARTIES HEREBY AGREE TO COLLABORATE AS FOLLOWS:

1. SCOPE AND FIELDS OF ACADEMIC AND RESEARCH CO-OPERATION

1.1 The parties agree to:

- a) Establish a strong academic and research network between the institutions
- b) Foster and Promote of fundamental, interdisciplinary, multidisciplinary and applied research in Artificial Intelligence, Data Science, Cyber Security, Quantum Computing, VLSI and Embedded Systems, and other emerging domains.
- c) Bilaterally facilitate faculty and student exchange programmes to strengthen academic and cultural linkages.
- d) Mutually conduct Skill Development and Training Programmes for students and faculty on state-of-the-Art technologies
- e) Collaborate for National & International Research Funding & Consultancy Services



- f) Collaboratively establish start-ups and incubation facility for IIoT (Industrial Internet of Things)-based Innovations
- g) Collaborate in the development and promotion of intellectual Properties viz., research publications in reputed journals, Books, Book Chapters, and Patent filing.
- h) Collaborate to jointly organize internationalevents - Conferences, Workshops and Short-Term Courses for Knowledge Promotion and Dissemination
- i) Collaborate to developof Mobile Apps for local and regional problems
- j) Exchange of academic materials, research publications, other information and computer software tools developed by GRlandIIIT Manipur, in order to promote their collaborative teaching and research endeavours.
- k) Extend mutual access to library and knowledge/Information sharing facilities mutually for both students and faculty in both the Institutions; and
- l) Any other areas of co-operation as agreed to by the parties from time to time.

1.2 The Parties to this MoU agree to continue discussions and communication on the areas as identified in sub-clause 1.1 in respect of their implementation and in identifying each Party's functions.

1.3 In the event the Parties so desire, they may enter into a separate legally binding supplementary agreement in respect of any area in sub-clause 1.1, subject to terms and conditions as mutually agreed to by both Parties.

2. DURATION AND TERMINATION

- 2.1. This MoU shall take effect on and from the date of execution of this MoU and shall continue to be effective for **a period of FIVE (5) years** and may be extended for such further period as may be agreed by the Parties in writing.
- 2.2. Notwithstanding clause 2.1 above, the provisions of this MoU may be terminated by either Party giving written notice to the other at least six (6) months prior to the proposed date of termination.
- 2.3. Notwithstanding clause 2.2 above, the provisions of this MoU or any other written agreement in respect of any on-going exchange programme or any other form of cooperative activity under this MoU shall continue to apply until their completion unless both Parties mutually agree in writing to the earlier termination of the programme or co-operative activity.
- 2.4. This MoU may be renewed under the same terms and conditions for a further period of five (5) years from the expiry date hereof by mutual written agreement of the Parties at least upon six (6) month prior to expiry date thereof.
- 2.5. Upon expiration of earlier termination of this MoU, this MoU shall automatically lapse and cease to be effective. Neither Parties shall have any further obligation to the other under this MoU and expect as otherwise provided hereof and for any rights or obligations which have accrued prior to the expiration or termination.

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3. FINANCIAL ARRANGEMENTS

- 3.1 This MoU shall not give rise to any financial obligation by one Party to the other.
- 3.2 Each Party shall bear its own cost and expenses in the implementation of this MoU.

4. JOINT PROPERTY

- 4.1 The Parties agree that any new Intellectual Property Rights (IPR) arising from or in connection with any programme or activity under this MoU, through and by the joint and collaborative efforts of both Parties shall be jointly owned and subject to any other terms and conditions as may be agreed upon in writing. For avoidance of doubt, all background IPR, (i.e., IPR created or belonging to the respective Parties prior to this MoU or any collaborative programme or activity conducted pursuant to this MoU) shall continue to remain as a separate property belonging to that Party who created or owned it prior to this MoU or the collaborative programme/activity ("Owner Party") and no claim can be made by the other Party on the IPR against the Owner Party except that the other Party shall be granted a revocable license to utilize the IPR only for purpose of carrying out its obligations under this MoU or the respective collaborative programme or activity.
- 4.2 Both Parties shall acknowledge each other in any form of writing, publications or presentation based on research derived from the co-operative efforts under this MoU, unless otherwise mutually agreed upon in writing by the Parties.

5. CONFIDENTIALITY

The Parties agree and undertake to keep confidential at all times any information or data that may be exchanged, acquired or shared in connection with the programme or activity conducted pursuant to this MoU, unless the same are already in public domain.

6. NON-CONTRACTUAL NATURE OF RELATIONSHIP

- 6.1 The Parties agree that this MoU represents the mutual understanding of the Parties and is not intended nor shall be deemed to be a contract and shall not give rise to any rights and liabilities as if under a contract.
- 6.2 Nothing contained herein shall be construed so as to constitute a joint venture/ partnership or formal business organization of any kind between the Parties or so to constitute either Party as the agent of the other.
- 6.3 The Parties acknowledge that this MoU does not in any way give rise to any right or permission to use or to be associated with each Party's intellectual property.

7. REVISION, VARIATION AND AMENDMENT

- 7.1 Either Party may request in writing a revision, variation or amendment of this MoU.
- 7.2 Any such revision, variation or amendment agreed to by the Parties shall be in writing and shall form part of this MoU.

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7.3 Such revision, variation or amendment shall come into force on such date as may be determined by the Parties.

7.4 Any revision, variation or amendment shall not prejudice the implementation of any project, activity or co-operation arising from or based on this MoU before or up to the date of such revision, variation or amendment.

8. SUPERVENING EVENTS

8.1 Each Party reserves the right for reasons of national security, national interests, public order or public health to suspend temporarily, either in whole or in part, the implementation of this MoU suspension shall take effect immediately after notification has been given to the other Party.

8.2 Notwithstanding sub-clause 8.1, should any other event occur which hinders or restricts the implementation of this MoU, the Parties shall use their best endeavour to agree upon such action, as may be necessary and equitable, to remove the cause of such event.

9. NOTICES

Every notice, request or any other communication required or permitted to be given pursuant to this MoU shall be in writing, in the English language and delivered or sent by registered or certified post or via Airmail or via facsimile or by electronic mail (which shall be acknowledged by the other Party) to the Parties at their address and facsimile number as stated below or to such other address or electronic, mail address or facsimile number as either Party may have notified the other party and shall, unless otherwise provided herein, be deemed to be duly given or made when delivered to the recipient at such address or electronic mail address or facsimile number which is duly acknowledged:

a) To : The Gandhigram Rural Institute (Deemed to be University)
Address : Department of Computer Science and Applications,
School of Computer Science and Technologies,
The Gandhigram Rural Institute
(Deemed to be University),
Gandhigram - 624 302, Dindigul, Tamil Nadu, India.

Attn to : Head of the Department
Tel no : +91-451-2452305
Fax no. : +91-451-2454535
E-mail : registrar@ruraluniv.ac.in

b) To : Indian Institute of Information Technology, Senapati, Manipur
Address : City-Campus, Mantripukhri, Imphal, Manipur, India - 795002

Attn to : Dr. D. Neelamegam
Dean – National and International Relations
Indian Institute of Information Technology, Senapati, Manipur
City-Campus, Mantripukhri, Imphal, Manipur, India - 795002

Tel no. : +91 97905 80118 / +91 80727 60733
E-mail : drdneelamegam@iiitmanipur.ac.in

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10. MISCELLANEOUS

10.1 This MoU is not intended to be legally binding. It merely expresses the intentions and understanding of the Parties which will form the basis of any legally binding agreement to be drafted and executed in the future.


10.2 Any difference or dispute between the parties concerning the interpretation and/or implementation and/or application of the provisions of this MoU shall be settled amicably through mutual consultation and/or negotiations between the parties through diplomatic channels, without reference to any or national tribunal.

10.3 This MoU is executed in English in duplicate, each of which shall be deemed as an original to be held in the custody of each party.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned, being duly authorized by their respective organizations, sign this MoU on the date as above written.

SIGNED for and on behalf of

THE GANDHIGRAM RURAL INSTITUTE
(Deemed to be University)


10/9/25

Dr.M.Sundaramari
Registrar i/c

REGISTRAR
Gandhigram Rural Institute
(Deemed to be University)
Gandhigram - 624 302.
Dindigul Dist, Tamilnadu.

Date:

SIGNED for and on behalf of

INDIAN INSTITUTE OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY,
SENAPATI, MANIPUR


12/09/2025


Prof. Krishnan Baskar
Director
Indian Institute of Information Technology Senapati,
Imphal, Manipur - 795002

Date:

In the presence of:



1. Dr.S.Meenakshi
Director
Research and Development Cell
GRI (DTBU), Gandhigram



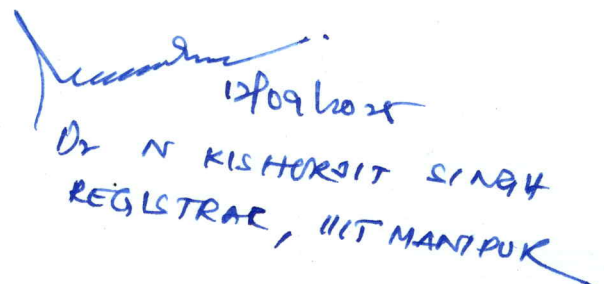
2. Dr.P.Shanmugavadivu
Senior Professor & Director
Centre for Distance & Online Education
GRI (DTBU), Gandhigram

In the presence of:

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D-D. NEELAMEGHAM
DEAN - NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

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12/09/2025
Dr N KISHORJIT SINGH
REGISTRAR, IIT MANIPUR