

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING
between
SRI VENKATESWARA UNIVERSITY, TIRUPATI
and
INDIAN INSTITUTE OF SCIENCE EDUCATION AND RESEARCH (IISER)
TIRUPATI

PREAMBLE:

Sri Venkateswara University:

The Sri Venkateswara University (SVU) is an autonomous Educational, Research and Development Institution established under the provisions of Andhra Pradesh (Act No. 18 of 1957), with its head quarters at Tirupati with affiliated colleges both in its campus and outside the campus. It has the responsibility to undertake research in basic and allied sciences, extension of such sciences to assist the community and industry of the State by imparting education, research and training. The four constituent colleges of the university have the responsibility of undertaking activities related to teaching, research and extension in the areas of Humanities, Chemical, Biological and Physical Sciences. The colleges are offering Bachelors, Masters and Doctoral degree programmes in various faculties. The colleges also have many national and international sponsored research projects under their operation.

Sri Venkateswara University, hereinafter called '**SVU**' represented by its duly authorized signatory _____, Designation, Registrar, Sri Venkateswara University, aged about _____ years, occupation: Service, having his office at Sri Venkateswara University, Tirupati, (which expression shall unless there be anything repugnant to the subject or contrary to the context mean and include its present and future Trustees, their heirs, legal representatives, executors, administrators, and assigns) **the Party of the First Part**

Indian Institute of Science Education and Research (IISER) :

The Indian Institute of Science Education and Research (IISER), Tirupati, established in 2015, is one of the seven IISERs set up under the Ministry of Human Resource Development, Govt. of India, involved in multidisciplinary, cutting-edge research in

several emerging areas. By an Act of Parliament, IISERs have been given the status of institutions of national importance and duly empowered to award degrees. The primary goal of setting up IISER Tirupati is to provide quality education in basic sciences by integrating undergraduate teaching and research. The Institute has well-equipped class rooms, as well as undergraduate and research laboratories, computing facilities and library. Currently IISER Tirupati offers three academic programs, five-year BS-MS program, Integrated PhD program and PhD program, in addition to Post doctoral programs.

Indian Institute of Science Education and Research (IISER) Tirupati, hereafter called **IISER Tirupati**, represented by its Registrar, Dr. C.P. Mohan Kumar, having his office at IISER – Tirupati (which expression shall unless there be anything repugnant to the subject or contrary to the context mean and include its present and future Trustees, their heirs, legal representatives, executors, administrators, and assigns) **the Party of the Second Part**

This memorandum of understanding made on this ____ day of April 2020 between SVU and IISER, Tirupati.

The Objectives of MOU:

1. To promote and enhance education, academic research and training in fields of, but not limited to, Chemical Sciences, Physical science, Biological sciences, Humanities and Social Sciences
2. To encourage the students, faculty and other staff members to seamlessly interact with their counter parts for enhancing their skill-sets; the students may acquire new techniques ~~s~~ to become more job-oriented, thus facilitating industrial growth and creating skilled manpower.
3. To share teaching and R&D resources of both institutions so that both can act as state-of-the-art research and training Centres in selected disciplines/subjects
4. To formulate joint proposals between faculty members and to have joint Ph.D./Masters students and projects.
5. To organize joint courses and workshops between the two institutions and also with other collaborative partners.

6. Any other academic and R&D activities of mutual interest

Terms & Conditions:

1. The following courses will be initially offered and jointly monitored:

B.Sc (Blended) Programme.

- SVU shall provide academic support on all the issues for successful completion of the program leading to award of degree.
- IISER Tirupati will assist in developing the curriculum and course materials for the BSc(Blended) programme.
- IISER Tirupati will ensure quality control in teaching and assessment of students in the BSc (Blended) programme.

2. To support the mutual interests of both parties, the following will be instituted.

- Sharing of research facilities;
- Research collaboration and/or joint research projects;
- Organization of lectures and joint symposia;
- In case one institution permits the use of its equipment, facilities, manpower etc. to the other party for executing projects, modalities of payment and all other related aspects would be worked out mutually .

3. **Non-Exclusivity:**

The agreement reflected by the provisions of this MoU are non- exclusive in nature and both the parties can enter into cooperative arrangements with other parties to suit their organizational needs. However, such agreements shall not nullify, amend or alter this agreement or adversely impact the operation of this agreement without the prior mutual consultation and written agreement.

4. **Duration of MOU:**

This MOU shall remain in force for a period of five years from the date it is signed by the parties and may be renewed by mutual consent. New parties may be added from time to time, if so agreed and desired by the mutual consent of both parties.

5. Force Majeure

Both SVU and IISER Tirupati shall not be held responsible for non fulfilment of their 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, flood, earthquakes, strike, lockouts, epidemics, riots, civil commotion etc.

6. Arbitration

In case of any controversy, claim or dispute arising from or relating to this MoU , or the breach thereof, or any other matter touching rights, duties and liabilities of the both parties, Vice Chancellor of SVU and Director of IISER Tirupati shall meet and exert their best efforts to find an amicable settlement, Failing settlement within a period of 30 days from the date of meeting, the matter will be finally settled by an arbitration council consisting of both institutions and a third party acceptable to both.

7. Terms and Review:

The MoU shall be reviewed at the end of one year from the date of signing of this MoU and at any time thereafter by mutual agreement.

8. Confidentiality:

- Both the Parties may exchange Confidential Information (including to employees of a Party) during the term of the MoU.
- The Receiving Party must not disclose the Disclosing Party's Confidential Information without first obtaining the consent of the Disclosing Party in writing.
- The Receiving Party agrees to take reasonable steps to provide for the safe custody of the Disclosing Party's Confidential Information in its possession and to prevent unauthorised access to or use of the Disclosing Party's Confidential Information.
- The obligations in this clause 4 shall survive the termination of this MoU.

9. Termination:

The MoU may be terminated by either party by giving six months advance notice. However, each party shall fulfill any outstanding liability – academic, administrative, financial, statutory compliances etc. towards the other party, students concerned or other stake holders , for the courses/programs in progress.

10. Signed in triplicate:

This MOU is signed in triplicate with each copy being an official version having equal legal validity.

The duly authorised officers, by appending their signature to this MoU have caused this Memorandum Of Understanding to be executed, effective as of the day and the year as first written above.

Signed on behalf of


Indian Institute of Science Education and Research(IISER) Tirupati

Name: Dr. C. P. Mohan Kumar

Designation: Registrar, IISER-Tirupati

Place: Tirupati - 517507

Date:


REGISTRAR
SRI VENKATESWARA UNIVERSITY, TIRUPATI
TIRUPATI

Sri Venkateswara University, Tirupati

Name:

Designation:

Place: Tirupati

Date :