MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

Between



INDIAN INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY GUWAHATI, INDIA

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UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY MEGHALAYA

Date: 1st March, 2018

Venue: IIT, Guwahati

Memorandum of Understanding (MoU)

Retween

Indian Institute of Technology, Guwahati

And

University of Science and Technology, Meghalaya

This Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) is executed on this date of 1st March of the year 2018 between Indian Institute of Technology, Guwahati, North Guwahati, Assam – 781039, India – as the First Part;

And

University of Science and Technology, Meghalaya, 9th Mile, Baridua, Ri-Bhoi - 793101 – as the Second part; herein together referred to as "the Universities".

Indian Institute of Technology, Guwahati (IITG) is an autonomous body incorporated under the Institute of Technology Act 1961, as amended up-to-date and established in 1994 having its office at Guwahati, hereby represented by its Director. IIT Guwahati is the only academic institute in India that occupied a place among the top 100 world universities – under 50 years of age – in world ranking. It is one of the most dynamic institutions in India, with one of the most beautiful educational campuses in the country that provides an ideal setting for learning and research. The institute is fully residential for the students, enriched with world-class facilities and is empowered with a young dynamic faculty and staff.

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University of Science & Technology, Meghalaya, having its registered office at Techno City, 9th Mile, Baridua, Meghalaya, hereinafter called "USTM", is established by an act of Legislative Assembly of Meghalaya State in 2008. The objective of USTM is to impart world class education exploring opportunities and talents of North East region, thereby, creating cutting edge research centre and build a Knowledge Capital for societal development. USTM is an upcoming University with minimal resources and high ambition trying for academic excellence.

Whereas USTM has requested IITG to **mentor** the upcoming University to achieve its objectives, through various programmes for the academic promotion and administrative guidance with the following identified but not limited to,

- 1. IITG Faculty support to USTM Identified Faculty of IITG shall take classes at USTM for the identified courses and syllabus with mutual consultation by USTM faculty with IITG Faculty. The IITG faculty, who have agreed and take classes at USTM, shall be provided with Transport, Accommodation facilities and an honorarium per lecture as per USTM norms. IIT Guwahati faculty members willing to do so will seek prior approval of the Director, IIT Guwahati to undertake such a task.
- 2. IITG to host selected USTM Students for short period IITG will host students identified by USTM in different disciplines at IITG for 10-15 days for attending special

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classes or regular classes with IITG students in class rooms and laboratories as per the plan of IITG to impart greater exposures in the respective subjects. During the period, IITG will provide hostel accommodation to USTM students. Prior approval and agreement of the Head of the concerned department is to be obtained to allow students to work in laboratories at IIT Guwahati for projects, internships, etc. On recommendation of the concerned Department at IITG, Director IITG will be the sole authority to grant final approval.

- 3. Final Year Projects of USTM Students IITG will permit some selected final year students of USTM on mutual consultation, to do their Project Work at IITG. Prior approval of the Director, IIT Guwahati is to be obtained.
- 4. **Joint Submission of Collaborative Projects** IITG faculty will involve some of the selected faculty of USTM to be Co-investigator in their project proposals for funding and vice versa. IIT Guwahati faculty members willing to do so will seek prior approval of the Director, IIT Guwahati to undertake such a task.
- 5. Seminars / symposia / workshop to be jointly organized Some of the selected seminars / workshops / symposiums organized by the various departments of IITG and USTM either by faculty or students to be held jointly on mutual consultation by the respective faculty on case to case basis.
- 6. **Organize the visitors of IITG to visit USTM** IITG will try to request and facilitate the visitors / guests coming to IITG to visit USTM also on their way.
- 7. **Guidance in University Administration** USTM is an upcoming University and a beginner in many aspects. IITG will provide guidance to USTM staff in Administration in areas like examination, admissions, recruitment of staff and organizing Convocation.
- 8. Guidance in infrastructure development IITG will guide USTM in upgrading of University infrastructure like laboratories, equipments, library, class rooms, recreational facilities, hostels, campus maintenance by providing necessary specifications and operational guidance where required.
- 9. Sports promotion IITG and USTM will conduct some inter University friendly matches in selected sports on mutual consultation.
- 10. There shall be no financial obligation on IIT Guwahati as a partner in this MoU.

Both IITG and USTM agree that any information which is exchanged pursuant to this Memorandum of Understanding will be kept strictly confidential and used solely for the purpose, covered by this Memorandum of Understanding, unless such information was obtained by a third party who does not have an obligation of confidentiality toward the information-disclosing party and entered public domain.

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Incidental expenses, if any with respect to the activities mentioned above will be met by USTM. Any expenditure w.r.t. visit of the IITG staff to USTM will be met by USTM.

Subject to clauses below, both the institutions may amend this Memorandum of Understanding by mutual consent in writing. Any amendment agreed by the Universities shall come into effect from the date determined by the signing institutions on potential areas.

This Memorandum of Understanding shall enter into force on the date of signing and shall initially be valid for a period of three years. Thereafter, the institutions shall agree on mutual consent on the continued validity of this Memorandum of Understanding. However, IITG has freedom to continue or discontinue the MoU at its own discretion.

The institutions agree that this Memorandum of Understanding shall enter into force on the basis of goodwill and shall not be legally bound. Nothing mentioned in this Memorandum of Understanding shall deem constitute partnership between the signing institutions appointing one party as an agent of the other. This Memorandum of Understanding will be effective upon signature by both the Chief Executive Officers for a period of three years, at which time will be reviewed for possible renewal for further three-year period. Either party may, on three (03) months notice in writing, terminate the MoU in advance of its normal expiration or request the recognition of its conditions.

Signed in duplicate, in English language at IIT- Guwahati on this date of 1st March, 2018.

For and behalf of USTM

For and behalf of IIT- G

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Signature:

Signature:

Name: Mahbubul Hoque

University of Science & Technol Name: Dr. Gautam Biswas, FNA Meghalana

Designation: Chancellor, USTM

Designation: Director, IITG

Witness 1.

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: Dr Relinky Shame

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