

Memorandum of Understanding (MoU)
Between
Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi
And
University of Science and Technology, Meghalaya

This Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) is executed on this 25th day of ~~January~~, 2016 between Jawaharlal Nehru University, Delhi - as the First Part;

And

University of Science and Technology, 9th Mile, Baridua, Meghalaya - as the Second part; herein together referred to as "the University of Science & Technology, Meghalaya University (USTM).

Jawaharlal Nehru University (JNU) having its registered office at New Mehrauli Road, New Delhi, herein after called "JNU" a Central University, established by an Act of Parliament in 1966(53 of 1966).

And

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 JNU 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. **Award of Ph. D Degrees** - The students who would like to register for Ph. D at USTM will be given option to opt for joint supervision - one from USTM and a co-guide from JNU. Those faculties of USTM who are interested to be recognised as supervisor / Co-supervisor of JNU, shall apply for such recognition to the Controller of Examinations, JNU. The competent authority of JNU will consider such request on priority as per provisions of JNU rules.




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2. **JNU to host selected USTM Students for short period and vice versa** – JNU and USTM will host students Identified by respective Universities in different disciplines at **JNU/USTM under the student exchange** for attending special classes or regular classes with JNU/USTM students in class rooms and laboratories as per the plan of JNU/USTM to impart greater exposure in the respective subjects. During the period, JNU/USTM will try to provide decent hostel accommodation to all students, subject to availability of accommodation in JNU and prior intimation.
3. **North East Studies:** Both the Universities have agreed to work jointly on different issues of North Eastern region- covering its language, its varied cultural diversity, its food habits and its vast biodiversity.
4. **Final Year Projects of USTM Students** – JNU will permit some selected final year students of USTM on mutual consultation, to do their Project Work at JNU.
5. **Joint Submission of Collaborative Projects** – JNU faculty will involve some of the selected faculty of USTM to be Co-investigator in their project proposals for funding and vice versa.
6. **Seminars/ symposia/workshop to be jointly organized** – Some of the selected seminars / workshops / symposiums organized by the various departments of JNU and USTM either by faculty or students to be held jointly on mutual consultation by the respective faculty on case to case basis.
7. **Organize the visitors of JNU to visit USTM** - JNU will try to request and facilitate the visitors / guests coming to JNU to visit USTM also on their way.
8. **Guidance in University Administration** – USTM is an upcoming university and a beginner in many aspects. JNU will provide guidance to USTM staff in Administration in areas like, examination, admissions, recruitment of staff and organizing Convocation.
9. **Guidance in infrastructure development** - JNU 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.
10. **Sports promotion** – JNU and USTM will conduct some inter university friendly matches in selected sports on mutual consultation.

Both JNU 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




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obtained by a third party who does not have an obligation of confidentiality toward the information-disclosing party and entered public domain.

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

Subject to clauses below, both the **Universities** may amend this Memorandum of Understanding by mutual consent in writing. Any amendment agreed by the Universities shall come into effect on the date determined by the signing Universities 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 **Universities** shall agree on mutual consent on the continued validity of this Memorandum of Understanding. *However, JNU has freedom to continue or discontinue the MOU at its own discretion*

The Universities 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 Universities 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.

Jurisdiction Clause

In case of any dispute arising out of this MOU between the parties, there will be the Grievances Redresses mechanism and civil court at Delhi shall have exclusive jurisdiction to try the matter/dispute.

Signed in duplicate, in English language at **Delhi** on this ^{25th}..... day of ~~January~~ of 2016
Two Thousand and ~~Fifteen~~ ^{Sixteen}

For the University of
Science & Technology
Meghalaya, (USTM) India

For the Jawaharlal Nehru
University, Delhi
India

Dr. Sudhir Kumar Sengupta
Vice-Chancellor
Jawaharlal Nehru University
New Delhi

Witness 1.

Signature:
Name: **Dr. M. A. Siddiqui**
Designation:
Affiliation: **JNU, New Delhi**

Witness 2.

Signature:
Name: **O P JAINWAL**
Designation: **SECTION OFFICER**
Affiliation:

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