

**Signing Ceremony**  
**MEMORANDUM OF ACADEMIC CONSULTANCY**

**Between**



**NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY, SILCHAR**

**&**



**UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY**  
**MEGHALAYA**

  
Registrar  
University of Science & Technology,  
Meghalaya

**Date : 29<sup>th</sup> November, 2014**

**Venue : NIT Guest House, Guwahati**

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This Memorandum of academic consultancy is executed on this day 29<sup>th</sup> of November, Two Thousand Fourteen between **National Institute of Technology Silchar** (hereinafter referred to as **NITS**) and **Education, Research and Development Foundation** (hereinafter referred to as **ERDF**) through their authorized representatives.

**I. The Institutes**

**NITS** is an Institute of national importance established under the NIT Act, 2007 by the government of India offering Bachelor, Master, and Doctoral degrees in various disciplines of science and technology. It is an Institute of higher learning with a rich resource base in scientific manpower, and is committed to establish an unique identity by development of high quality human and knowledge resources in diverse areas of sciences and technologies to meet local, national, and global economic and social need and human society at large in a self-sustained manner. **NITS** is committed to provide employment oriented higher education and promote research in areas of special and emerging fields of Engineering and Technology. **NITS** is currently one of the preferred Technical Institutes in the country.

**ERDF**, having its registered office at Dr R. P. Road, Dispur, Guwahati -731006, representing its constituent units like University of Science & Technology, Meghalaya and Regional Institute of Science & Technology, Meghalaya. **ERDF** is one of the fastest growing educational networks of higher and technical education in North East India. **ERDF** is a trust conceived for imparting top quality professional and technical education, research and developing leadership, there by, producing required quality manpower to uplift the region. **ERDF** has a **Regional Institute of Science & Technology (RIST)** and **University of Science & Technology in Meghalaya (USTM)** as its constituents in addition to colleges and schools in Assam.

  
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## II. PURPOSE AND OBJECTIVES

ERDF has requested NITS to guide the upcoming RIST and USTM to achieve its objectives, through various programs for the academic promotion and administrative guidance with the following identified but not limited to,

1. NITS will guide RIST/USTM for academic promotion by mentoring and training the faculty, curriculum upgradation, and taking special classes by NITS Faculty members. NITS will cooperate with ERDF in organizing academic seminars, workshops etc.
2. NITS will guide RIST/USTM in administration for hiring quality faculty members.
3. NITS will guide RIST/USTM in managing their research programs and mentor the scholars when needed. NITS will also guide the faculty in preparing the DPR for projects, collaborative activities by taking lead. Both will reciprocally facilitate Science/technology based innovation and fact-findings resulting into Business development activities.
4. NITS will guide RIST/USTM in upgrading their infrastructure like laboratories, equipments, library, class rooms, recreational facilities, hostels, campus maintenance by providing necessary specifications and operational guidance where required.

Both NITS and RIST/USTM agree that any information which is exchanged pursuant to this consultancy will be kept strictly confidential and used solely for the purpose, covered by this Memorandum of consultancy, 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.

## III. FEE

The consultancy cost will vary from activity to activity. A mutually agreeable consultancy cost (including terms and conditions) with respect to the activities mentioned above will be paid by RIST/USTM. All applicable taxes against such consultancy as per the Government of India Rules, from time to time, will be borne by USTM.

## IV. REVIEW OF THE MEMORANDUM

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

This Memorandum shall be effective from the date of signing and shall initially be valid for a period of three years. However, NITS has freedom to continue or discontinue the same at its own discretion. After the expiry of three years, its continuance and/or renewal shall be subject to review on mutual consent by both the parties, with modified and/or additional clauses, if the parties so desire on mutually agreed terms.

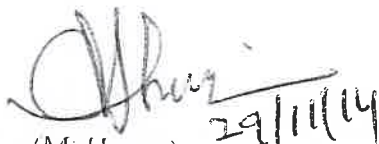
The Parties agree that this Memorandum is on the basis of goodwill and shall not be legally bound. Nothing mentioned in this Memorandum of academic consultancy shall deem constitute partnership between the signing parties appointing one party as an agent of the other. Either party may, on three months notice in writing, terminate the memorandum in advance of its normal expiration or request the recognition of its conditions.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned have signed this Memorandum.

Signed in duplicate, in English language at.....on  
.....the .....


For the Education Research  
and Development  
Foundation, (ERDF)  
Guwahati, India

For the National Institute of  
Technology Silchar (NITS),  
Silchar, India

  
(M. Hoque)

Chairman, ERDF &  
Chancellor, USTM

CHAIRMAN  
ERDF FOUNDATION  
GUWAHATI

  
(Prof. N. V. Deshpande)

Director

Director  
NIT Silchar

Witnesses:  
In presence of



Dr. P.G. Rao  
Vice Chancellor  
USTM

  
(S. Baishya)

Dean (Research & Consultancy)

NITS  
Dean (R & C)  
N.I.T. Silchar

  
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