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Memorandum of Understanding with Ministry of Higher Education Gabon, Africa

The University of Science and Technology Meghalaya (USTM) has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the Ministry of Higher Education Gabon to promote international understanding, educational activities, and intercultural projects. The agreement was signed by Dr. Patrick Mouguiama Daouda, the Minister of Higher Education & Scientific Research of Gabon, and Prof. GD Sharma, the Vice Chancellor of USTM and President of the Association of Indian Universities. As part of the visit, the Gabonese Minister of Higher Education, along with delegates from Gabon, visited USTM

The purpose of this MoU is to create a framework for collaboration with the objectives as given below:

- 1) Student exchange programmes
- 2) Faculty/staff exchange programmes
- 3) Cultural exchange programmes
- 4) Visiting scholars/tutors
- 5) Collaborative research projects
- 6) Cooperative dual degree programmes
- 7) Short term training programmes/projects/service-learnin! programmes
- 8) Cooperative and exchange lectures, conferences and seminars
- 9) Cooperative certificate programmes Offering Scholarships Fellowships to underprivileged students



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Group Photograph of Minister Gabon with Honorable Chancellor, Vice Chancellor and Pro VC and Advisor of USTM

Visit of USTM official to British Council of United Kingdom

Vice Chancellor of the University of Science and Technology Meghalaya (USTM) Professor G D Sharma will visit the head office of United Kingdom (UK) ENIC in Cheltenham, Gloucestershire, and leading UK higher education institutions from June 4 to June 8, in a delegation of education professionals, with an aim to understand the education system in the UK from the perspective of articulation arrangements for mutual recognition of qualification between Indian-UK higher education institutes. Sponsored by the British Council, the delegation will be led by Rittika Chanda Parruck, Director, of Education, British Council India. The delegation aims at meeting global needs through collaboration and achieving excellence by picking up the best policies. Prof G D Sharma informed, "There will be workshops and meetings during our visit that would focus on global recognition convention and implications for qualification and evaluation and mobility, learning outcomes construct/best practice, discussions on duration vs demand or difficulty, 3 vs 4-year degree duration, skills-based assessment, among others." During the visit, the delegation will attend meetings and engage with relevant stakeholders from UK International offices in curriculum development, teaching, learning, assessment, and the UK education system as well as discussions on open-university and distance learning programs.

The panel will deliberate on key challenges, opportunities, degree recognition, and equivalences between the two countries to get an understanding of methodologies and best practices in the UK to evaluate qualifications and the assessment process. The institutional visits will be done to develop an understanding of international degree programs, ODL in UK Higher Education Institutes.



Vice Chancellor USTM presenting copies of USTM Newsletter to the British Council delegation members



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Collaboration between EFS Dubai & USTM for Skill Development & Certification Programme

This is subsequent to the virtual meeting on 31st May 2023 with the EFS leadership team. It was principally agreeable to set up a Skill Centre at USTM that shall take shape soon under EFS guidance and collaboration.

We came to know about the Save fast EFS India Training Centre being started in India and an extension branch centre can be established at USTM for which the India Operations Team members agreed to visit USTM on 13th June 2023 for elaborate understanding of our abilities and discussion thereafter.

In line with that a visit was made by Ms. Nishu Dhiman, Project Head – Savefast EFS India and Ms. Nasreen Fathima, AGM – International Recruitment, EFS Facilities Services India on13th June 2023 and we had a meeting as per the agreed agenda attached with this report.

During the meeting USTM came to know about the various services offered by EFS Facilities Services and also the objective of Save fast EFS India for which the training unit is being broughtinto existence in India. The range of certification trainings were shared with USTM and opportunities were evaluated by the team during the open discussions.

USTM also shared the various facilities and had arranged a physical visit of the EFS team to all the facilities for proper evaluation of the facilities. USTM also shared the various skill programs being conducted here for the USTM students and we together explored what other skill trainings can be offered by USTM. We also explored the other opportunities available for students outside USTM for the certification trainings of

Nursing and Child Care, Security Services, Hospitality services, etc which have a huge opportunity here in North East India.

The following were the resolutions adopted at the end of the deliberations by our Hon'bleChancellor

- 1) Discussion on the above to be organized in presence of Mr. Tariq Chauhan, Group Chief Executive Officer & other officials of Save fast EFS India.
- 2) Visiting Team to submit report with suggestion of prospective plan for the Skill training Centre at USTM.
- 3) Full-fledged center of Save fast EFS India with USTM infrastructure of Training blockand land to be provided by USTM.
- 4) It is expectation of USTM to kick off the initiative by hiring 30-40 UG/PG students for placement as per their competence mapping and after adequate training.
- 5) All the courses presented by the team can be incorporated as a part of skill mission & to be presented to the existing students for the skill course selection.





Hon'ble Chancellor & Hon'ble Vice Chancellor felicitating the GuestsOfficials on tour of the Ca





Officials on tour of the Campus seeing the facilities



EFS Officials presenting presentation in front of Hon'ble Chancellor USTM



Ms. Nasreen Fathima and Ms. Nishu Dhima with the Officials of Interacting with USTM officials

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Global leader EFS to set up "Upskill" at USTM: CEO Tariq Chauhan



Guwahati, August 30: "We are going to be a part of your life in USTM. EFS is bringing a Centre of Excellence called "Upskill" and is going to start nine different certification courses with specialized criteria depending on your choice. This was stated by Tariq Chauhan, a Harvard Business School alumnus and CEO, EFS Facilities Services Group, UAE as he was addressing a large gathering of students today at the Central Auditorium of the University of Science and Technology Meghalaya (USTM).

The author of the book "If Mr Tariq Can, I Can", Chauhan delivered a highly motivating and insightful speech on the Importance of Skill for Career. He also laid the foundation of the hostel of "I Can I Will Academy" for the specially-abled at USTM today.

Addressing the enthusiastic students, Tariq Chauhan said, "We will give you placement opportunities abroad for those who are looking for direct placement. As a part of this initiative, with immediate effect, we are starting the first level of placement in the technical services recruiting students from USTM. In addition to that, we will also conduct different stages of career counselling."

It may be mentioned here that Tariq Chauhan will be awarded Honorary D.Litt. in the 9th Convocation of the USTM which will be held tomorrow.

Appreciating the University, Chauhan said, "I have been to some of the finest universities of the world – from Harvard to Frankfurt to AMU. I would say that very rarely I have seen that kind of commitment and that kind of conviction that I saw in the last few hours after visiting USTM".

Urging the students to identify, map and measure their strengths, Chauhan said, "Short, medium and longterm goals are very important. Goals must be aligned with milestones. One should have defined development goals for personal, professional and functional development. No goal can be accomplished without a defined milestone". He said that India is possibly the highest growing economy now. Investment in infrastructure in India is going to be exponential.

"There are indeed great opportunities in your way. But only those who have prepared well in advance can grab those opportunities. College students can gather work experience during their graduation by engaging themselves professionally in projects of their interests, study and dissertation, and practical activities", he added.

Tariq Chauhan has been the Group CEO and Co-founder of EFS since 2009. The company designs, manages, and executes facilities management services in 21 countries through 28 operating companies and employs 27,000 people across the globe. He is a professional entrepreneur, with over 26 years of diverse experience in international banking, technology and asset management, real estate and a track record of building and establishing companies across the GCC, USA, UK and Asia. He has led the evolution of EFS Facilities Services' business portfolio and spearheaded the company's expansion into 23 markets across MENA, Turkey and South Asia.



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