Memorandum of Understanding





Maharaja Agrasen University Baddi, Himachal Pradesh, India



And

Govt. Degree College Arki (Utkrisht Mahavidyalya) Dist. Solan, Himachal Pradesh.

This Memorandum of Understanding is made on this 17th of May, 2024 between Maharaja Agrasen University having their campus at, Atal Shiksha Kunj, Nanakpur, Pinjore Nalagarh National Highway, near Barotiwala, Tehsil Baddi, Distt. Solan, Himachal Pradesh - 174103, represented by its Vice Chancellor - Dr. R. K. Gupta, as the First Party (hereinafter referred to as "University" or "MAU" or the "First Party")

And

Govt. Degree College Arki (Utkrisht Mahavidyalya), at Batal in Tehsil Arki, Dist. Solan, Himachal Pradesh -173208, represented by its **Principal - Prof. Sunita Sharma**, as the **Second Party** (hereinafter referred to as 'College' or the "**Second Party**").

Maharaja Agrasen University (MAU), Solan is a Private University located in District Solan, Himachal Pradesh and was established in the year 2013. The University is approved by the All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE), Pharmacy Council of India (PCI), Bar Council of India (BCI) and is recognized by the University Grants Commission of India (UGC). The University is envisioned to be an educational Institution of repute for providing excellent academic, research and extra-curricular opportunities and thereby be the first choice of the students, academicians and research scholars. MAU offers various Diploma, Undergraduate, Postgraduate and Doctorate level courses in a wide variety of fields like Basic & Applied Sciences, Law, Management, Pharmacy, and Technology.

Govt. Degree College Arki(Utkrisht Mahavidyalya) came into existence in 1994 AD. Since its inception, it has established itself as a premier educational institution in District Solan. It offers undergraduate courses in all three major streams, i.e. Science, Arts, and Commerce; along with BCA and PGDCA (job-oriented self-financing courses), and Post Graduate courses in History and English. This coeducational, NAAC-accredited "B" college, affiliated with HP University, has quickly developed into a learning centre offering quality education to students in the predominantly rural Arki region.

1. OBJECTIVES OF THE MOU

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- 1.1 In the spirit of friendship and with mutual interest in cooperation, the areas of cooperation will include any programme offered by MAU as thought desirable and feasible on either side and that both the parties will contribute to the fostering and development of the cooperative relationship between the two institutions and to promote collaborative educational, research and cultural activities. Cooperation/collaboration shall be through such activities as:
 - 1.1.1 Exchange of faculty and/or staff
 - 1.1.2 Exchange of students
 - 1.1.3 Joint teaching, research, or cultural activities;
 - 1.1.4 Joint organization of seminars and academic meetings
 - 1.1.5 Faculty/Staff professional development;
 - 1.1.6 Exchange of academic materials and other related information
 - 1.1.7 Special short-term academic programs.
 - 1.1.8 Joint research publications.

2. DURATION AND EVALUATIONOF MOU

- 2.1 This MOU will come into operation with effect from the date of signing and will remain in force and effect for a period of three years or until the Termination Date. Either party may request termination of this agreement, in writing, ninety days prior to the proposed termination date.
- 2.2 A joint evaluation of the MOU will be initiated by the designated representatives of the two institutions six months prior to the expiration date. Following the evaluation, the MOU may be renewed and extended for an additional five year period.
- 2.3 Amendments to this MOU may be requested, in writing, by either party and will be approved by the authorized signatories of the two Institutions.

3. AREA OF COLLABORATION

- 3.1 Areas of collaboration may be proposed by either party and may include the area of (Humanities/Basic Sciences/Law/Management/Engineering/Pharmacy, etc.) studies, but are not limited to stated activities. Any other related academic, cultural or research activity may be undertaken on mutual understanding between the two Institutions.
- 3.2 Any specific activity developed under this MOU shall be detailed in a subsequent agreement, to be signed by authorized signatories of both the parties, which will describe the scope of the proposed activity, intended outcomes, budget, and responsible departments or individuals.
- 3.3 All activities shall be subject to the availability of funds and with the approval of authorized representatives/signatories.

4. STUDENT EXCHANGE

4.1 The aim of the exchange program is to provide students an opportunity to have experience of diverse academic environment as well as to gain a better understanding of related concepts through education under this MOU.

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- 4.2 The number of students exchanged under this MOU shall be not more than twenty students at a time from each Institution. The total number of mutual exchange students will be same from each Institution during the term of MOU.
- 4.3 The host Institutionhas the right to decide acceptance of exchange students, as per recommendations issued by the home Institution for exchange students based on their academic record.
- 4.4 The host Institution may waive off application fees, entrance fees, and tuition fees of the exchange students. Transportation, accommodation, food, clothing and other personal costs including the medical health insurance and medical care will be the personal responsibilities of the students themselves. However, the host Institution may charge an amount for providing laboratory, library, internet facilities etc. The amount will be intimated at the time of making an offer.
- 4.5 The host Institution shall reserve or make available accommodation on campus for exchange students or assist them in locating suitable housing off campus if they so desire.
- 4.6 The exchange student is treated as either the research student or specially registered student.
- 4.7 The exchange students will be subject to the student rules of the host College/University, while on exchange. Exchange students will be offered the same facilities as students of the host College/University.
- 4.8 Exchange students will study subjects or conduct researches which are pertinent to their field of study and are offered by the host College/University.
- 4.9 The acceptance of course work (lectures, seminars) taken at the host Institution and the measure of achievement attained there will be communicated to the home College/University.

5. FACULTY EXCHANGE

- 5.1 Both the parties will actively seek to promote mutual faculty exchange for a mutually agreed period.
- 5.2 Faculty exchange may assume various forms, such as individual short-time and long-term visits of faculties, joint research and development projects.
- 5.3 Both the parties will encourage their faculty for co-authoring research publications, joint research activities and joint projects subject to applicable copyright and / or other applicable laws as well as rules and regulations of the respective Universities.
- 5.4 The host Institution will make available facilities such as working space, internet, laboratories, libraries etc.

6. COORDINATORS

6.1 Both institutions will designate persons who will have responsibility for co-ordination and implementation of this agreement.

7. COMPLIANCE WITH LAW

7.1Both the parties specifically intend to comply with all applicable Central, State, Local laws, Rules, and/or regulations or as may be amended from time to time. If any part of this MOU is

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rendered as to violate any Central, State, Local Laws, Rules and/or Regulations, the parties agree to negotiate in good faith revisions to any such provisions.

7.2 If the either of the parties fail to agree to amend MOU within a reasonable time to bring the MOU in conformity with the applicable laws of the land, either party may terminate this Agreement with a thirty days prior written notice to the other party.

8. INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY RIGHTS

8.1 The intellectual property rights (IPR) that would arise as a result of joint research and collaborative activities under the agreement will be worked out on case to case basis and will be in consistent with IPR policies of the two institutions and applicable Laws.

9. DISPUTE RESOLUTION

9.1 Both the parties shall attempt to resolve all disputes arising out of or relating to the MOU through direct negotiations within reasonable time.

9.2 In case of any dispute between both the parties, the same shall be liable to be challenged within the jurisdiction of the Place/District of the institutions where the agreement, so has been signed and executed.

In witness hereof, both institutions hereto have offered their signatures.

Vice-Chancellor Maharaja Agrasen University, Badd Himachal Pradesh Witness No.1 Registrar

Witness No.2

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