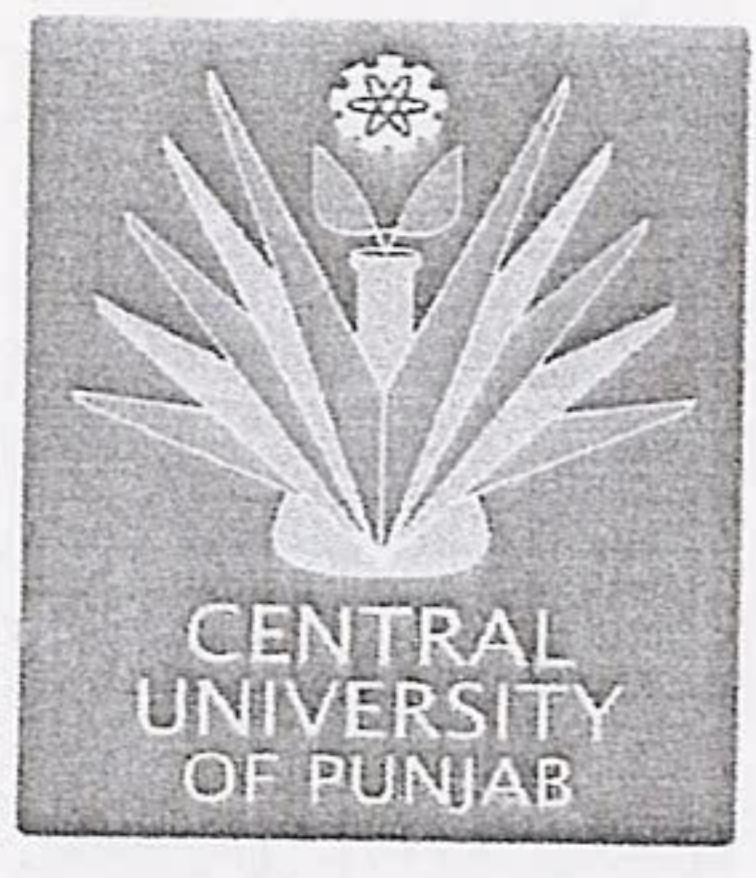


# MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

## (MOU)

### Between



## Central University of Punjab

A Central University established by an Act of Parliament,

Accredited with 'A' Grade by NAAC

### and





Where there is Rural Wellbeing  
there is Universal Prosperity

## National Council of Rural Institutes

Ministry of Human Resource Development

### Hyderabad

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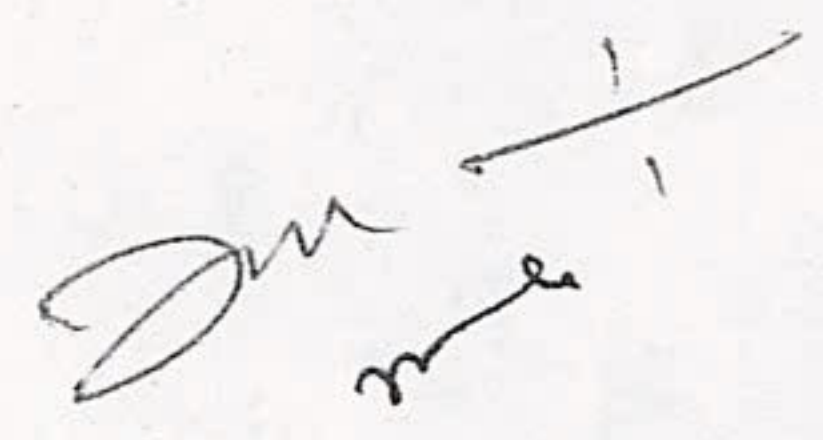
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This Memorandum of Understanding is entered into on **22<sup>nd</sup>** day of **March 2017** between *Central University of Punjab*, represented by the Registrar, here-after to be called '**FIRST PARTY**' and *National Council of Rural Institutes*, Ministry of Human Resources Development Govt. of India Hyderabad represented by the Chairman here after to be called the '**SECOND PARTY**'

Central University of Punjab was established in 2009 at Bathinda by an Act of Parliament. It has a noble objective of promoting **Education for Sustainable Development** with appropriate platform for studies in various disciplines. Within a short span of time, it has emerged as one of the leading universities in India working for cause of empowerment through suitable educational initiatives. It is accredited 'A' grade by National Assessment and Accreditation Council (NAAC).

The National Council of Rural Institutes (NCRI) aims at Human Resource Development and Capacity Building of Universities and Higher Educational Institutions in the country. Established in 1995 by the Government of India under the Union Ministry of Human Resource Development, the NCRI seeks to usher in academic i.e., teaching-learning and research activity focused on issues of concern to rural India. Its HRD endeavors and instruments of development include curriculum development, curriculum transaction, curriculum standardization and curriculum accreditation with workshop, material development, teaching, research, action research, advocacy and hand-holding of academic activities focused on rural concerns.

The NCRI interfaces with universities and institutes of higher learning even while collaborating and converging with the objectives of educational and academic infrastructure that can make a



lasting difference to the life and living standards of the rural India. HRD is our operational framework and Human Development is the goal.

Development of backward areas and their representative institutions, boosting the flagship social and rural programmes with focus on education, employment, livelihoods and rural resilience building comprise the core initiatives. Developing a committed and competent cadre of Academic Professionals interested in rural issues is another major objective of NCRI. These Professionals are expected to streamline and deliver education effectively and efficiently with emphasis on inclusion and regional prosperity. The Council seeks to empower the rural education and the academics manning them. Empowerment of the people will be a well designed corollary.

The NCRI aims at forging academic partnerships and networks with Central Universities and National Institutions as well as cutting edge public organizations. Emerging opportunities for strengthening Social Development and Economic Growth initiatives in the rural areas are identified with a view to promoting participatory development. Capacity building and professionalization of Rural Academic activity, entrepreneurship, livelihoods, community initiatives, creativity of local groups and proactive development action constitute the core content of NCRI's research and capacity building programmes and field interventions.

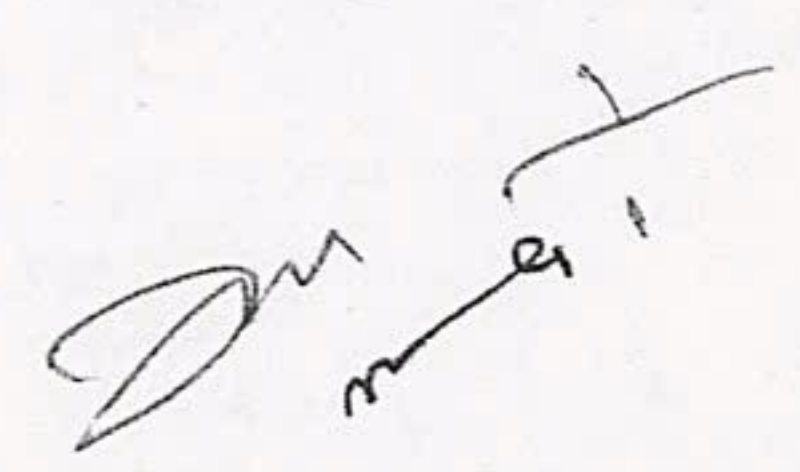
The philosophy of the University rests upon holistic approach wherein the students are provided with unhindered access to knowledge and skills in latest sustainable technologies for enhanced learning, productivity and societal development. Special emphasis is laid on capacity building and resilience of those who are underprivileged, downtrodden, women, youth, and other vulnerable sections of the community. The prime focus is promoting resilience through friendly initiatives so as to enable the rural India earn sustainable income and improved quality of life, and thus bring in confidence among them to flourish. Every initiative of the University represents a smaller step towards realizing Mahatma Gandhi's dream of making rural India the focal point of holistic development, self sufficiency and indigenous resource generation.

The objective of the partnership is to fulfill a common vision of collaborative academic activity.

In addition to the above objectives, both the parties are desirous of establishing a working relationship to provide guidance and research towards building of a resilient rural India. The first and second parties will collaboratively conduct workshops and share faculty and materials resources as mutually agreed upon.

**The Functions and Responsibilities of the First Party (CUPB) are as follows:**

1. The first party lease buildings at CUPB Campus in Bathinda at Punjab where the workshops will take place and also at other locations mutually decided from time to time at different places.
2. The first party shall make available their existing infrastructure i.e, Classrooms, Hostel and Guest House, Library, Computers, Printer, LCD Projectors, PAS, Chairs, Tables, etc for the workshops to be conducted in collaboration with the second party.
3. Both parties also agree that the second party can bring and return relevant workshop material as and when required.
4. The first party will take care of the maintenance and upkeep of the building i.e. housekeeping, security, sanitation, fire extinguishers, water, electricity, furniture, any repairs and (chairs, tables, almirah, white boards, fans, and light fittings) and employee expenses for those involved in the above tasks.
5. The first party shall enable the second party to use the premises as agreed to and required, library, computer labs and plan their workshops at the Head Quarters and the regional centre's for a nominal cost.
6. One Research Scholar who will be called as NCRI Fellow pursuing either M.Phil (2 year) or Ph.D. (5 years) will be selected for scholarship/fellowship every year for financial support by NCRI. The aspects of research mutually identified by both parties in relevant aspects of rural studies will be announced before the admission and selection process is initiated annually. The aspects of research mutually identified by both parties in relevant domains of rural studies covering various disciplines such as Social Work/ Education/ Law/ Policy/ Mass Communication/ Women Studies/ Psychology/ Management/ Gandhian thought will be announced before the admission and selection process is initiated annually. The amount of fellowship and process of reporting will be on the lines of UGC Junior/Senior Research Fellowship. The scholar selected shall publish 2 (two)



articles in every academic year, during the period of scholarship, in reputed journals focusing on rural issues.

7. All the Intellectual Property Rights (IPRs) will be claimed by First Party i.e. CUPB.
8. The first party shall maintain the records of programmes undertaken like participant database which shall be shared with the first party.
9. The first party shall provide the necessary facilities to the participants available at the university campus.
10. The first party shall facilitate the second party to take the photographs and make films and documentaries of the workshops.
11. The first party shall procure the workshop resource materials and books in consultation with second party on the aspects found relevant by both parties for which funds will be provided by the second party.
12. The first party shall take the responsibility for the discipline of participants during the workshop hours and in the hostels/guest house.
13. The first party shall arrange the display of workshop announcement/banner/poster and information in CUPB Campus for the workshops (Name of both the parties will be mentioned).
14. The coordination and administration of the programmes will be done by the first party such as design, communication and management. The NCRI would pay the University Rs. 20,000/ per day for any workshop or programme that is organized by it on behalf of NCRI or jointly with NCRI (Rs 10,000/ Administration Cost and Rs 10,000/- documentation and reporting the workshop proceedings in one hard and one soft copy).
15. The honorarium for resource persons, documentation, travel, food and accommodation expenses of the participants from outside CUPB will be borne by the second party and arranged by the first party separately for each programme.

**The Functions and Responsibilities of the Second Party (NCRI) are as follows:**

1. The second party will conduct workshops collaboratively in line with the workshop framework and as per the instructions agreed upon.

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2. The second party shall be responsible for all clearances related to workshops that may be required from time to time including programme content and cost.
3. The second party shall arrange Stationery, Participant badges, Workshop Participation Certificates and workshop related material to the participants.
4. The second party shall make payment of TA/DA to each participant, catering and other logistics on mutually agreed terms by the second party from the funds released by the second party.
5. The first party team expenses shall be borne by NCRI. The team will function under the overall supervision and guidance of the NCRI in all matters relating to workshop content management, communication and documentation.
6. The programme administration (design, communication and management) costs @Rs 20,000 for 1 day programme will be paid by the second party. This includes Rs 10,000/- towards the cost of Administration and Rs 10,000/- for reporting the workshop proceedings in one hard and one soft copy.

**Payment Process:**

The payments, as mutually agreed upon, shall be made within 15 days of submission of report through RTGS/NEFT by NCRI.

For effective implementation and monitoring of the scheme as envisaged in the MoU, Registrar CUPB or Nominee will be the Nodal Officer on behalf of the "FIRST PARTY" & Chairman NCRI or his nominee will be the Nodal Officer on behalf of the "SECOND PARTY".

Unless otherwise terminated by written Agreement between the parties, or in terms of this agreement, this agreement will remain in force till the *end of the academic year 2019-20* and may be *renewed by mutual consent*.

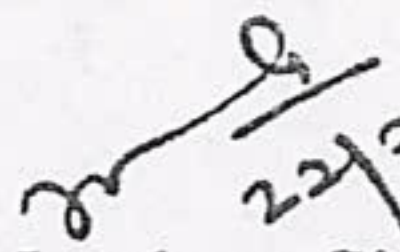
Both the parties will facilitate wider dissemination of this collaborative initiative and its impacts. The Certification, all signage, press releases and communication will include the names of both the parties. All disputes are subject to jurisdiction of the court at Bathinda.

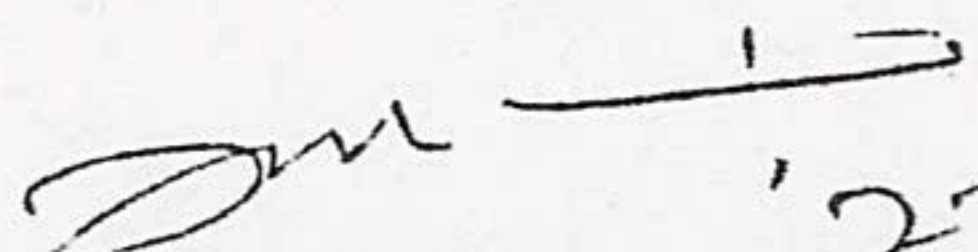
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This Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) will be effective from 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2017 till the end of academic year 2019-20 and renewable with the mutual consent of both the parties for a similar period.

For,

For,

  
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