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Memorandum of Understanding (MoU)

This Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) was made is executed on this 25th day of August 2023 at Bhubaneswar.

BETWEEN

Gopabandhu Academy of Administration (GAA), Chandrasekharpur, Bhubaneswar, Odisha is the apex training institute for Administrative Officers serving in the Government of Odisha. Originally established at Hirakud (near the famous Hirakud Dam) in May 1958 as Administrative Officers Training School (AOTS), hereinafter called the First Party, which expression shall unless repugnant to the context or meaning thereof include its successors and permitted assigns of the First Party.

AND

Centurion University of Technology and Management (CUTM), a Private State

University created by Act No. 4 of 2010 of the State legislature of Odisha, Graded-A+
by NAAC, notified as Skill University by Government of Odisha and Centre of
Excellence of Government of India, having its headquarters at Village Mettur, P.O.
R Sitapur, Via- Uppalada, Paralakhemundi, Gajapati-761211, Odisha, represented by
Prof (Dr) Mukti Kanta Mishra, aged about 59 years, hereinafter called the Second
Party, which expression shall unless repugnant to the context or meaning thereof
include its successors and permitted assigns of the Second Party.

1) Objectives of this MoU

The objective of this MoU is to establish cooperation between the parties as a Knowledge Partner and to realise their full potential in the field of Academic, Research and Training. It marks the formal commitment of both institutions to explore practical approaches for creating mutually beneficial relationships in order to enhance the capacities of functioning and contribute in skill development, capacity building and research on the upcoming emerging areas. As mutually agreed any new areas of collaboration from time to time will be a part of this MoU.

This MoU is to explore foundation of mapping the training program of GAA and supplementing it with additional training to avoid appropriate degree.

2) Areas of Cooperation

The parties will provide each other advocacy, research support, technical and hand holding assistance and capacity building services in the various areas of public policy, public administration, impact analysis, econometric analysis, operations research, economic analysis of various government schemes, administrative law, corporate governance, insolvency and bankruptcy law, leadership, organizational effectiveness, procurement procedures, finance for non-finance officers, Concept of universal service its impact particularly in Good Governance in bridging digital divide on need based and mutually agreed terms. Indicative areas of association but not limited to include the following are:

- i. Capacity building programmes on mutual basis for various stakeholders as well as for in-service trainee officers of State of Odisha on Public Policy and Governance, Public Administration, Impact Analysis, Economic Analysis of ongoing government projects specifically in Basics of Macro and Micro Economics, Public Finance, Administrative Law, Climate change and related issues.
- Short term training programs/module mutually at the premises of both the parties for officers on topics of mutual interest such as Public Administration, IT in Governance, Human Resources Management, Administrative Law, etc.
- iii. Regular exchange of faculty as well as collaborative applied studies and developing strategic policy papers in the areas of mutual interest in Impact Analysis and Econometric Analysis, Data Analytics, Public Private Partnership in Infrastructure Development, Public Policy & Governance, Administrative law, etc.
- Co-hosting of Workshops/Seminars at the premises of both parties i.e. GAA and CUTM on various subjects of importance, relevance and of mutual interests.
- v. Utilisation of infrastructure and resources of both the parties for conduct of National/International collaboration/agreements/MoU with the consent of and in agreement with third party to conduct short term trainings/workshops/seminars on mutually agreed subjects, terms and conditions.



- Co-operate and work for development and promotion of research collaborations in subjects/areas of mutual interest resulting in grant of degree/diploma and certificates to officers.
- Need based, third party assessments, concurrent monitoring and impact evaluation of trainings, programmes and projects.
- viii. Mutual access to the library and e-journals for research, study etc. Such training programs and activities will be planned and formalised in advance as and when opportunities for the same arise and will be scheduled, based on mutual convenience, need and mutually agreed Terms of Reference (TOR).

3) Review of Events and Activities

The program and activities arising out of the MoU shall be reviewed as may be mutually agreed upon by the Parties. The views and convenience of the competent authorities concerned of both the Parties would be the guiding factors for deciding the scope, venue, timing and duration of such reviews. Each Party shall identify a specific contact person from time to time to develop specific operational arrangements and agreements under this MoU, facilitate implementation and/or monitor the progress in respect thereof.

4) Tenure of this MoU

This MoU shall come into effect from the date of its signing and shall remain in effect for a period of three years. Thereafter, it will be renewable by mutual written consent of both the Parties viz. GAA and CUTM, unless either Party terminates it by giving a written notice of its intention to terminate it to the other Party at least three months in advance. Termination of the MoU shall not affect the implementation of any ongoing program and/or activity undertaken within the framework of the MoU.

5) Further Cooperation

This MoU is signed in good faith as an indication of the sincere intention of both the Parties to build upon and develop the already existing mutual respect and confidence. Specific understanding, if any, would be arrived at in the shape of separate agreements and would be marked as an addendum to this MoU.

6) Terms of the MoU

The terms of cooperation for each specific training program and/or activity arising out of this Mou shall be mutually discussed on ease to ease basis and agreed upon separately in writing by the parties prior to the initiation of such program and/or activity. This MoU by itself shall not have any legal or financial obligations or Implications for the Parties.

Any financial implications arising out of exchange of faculty or in conduct of short-term training programs in each party's premises shall be decided by mutual consent and agreement of both the parties.



Any amendment to this MoU may be made by the Parties by mutual consent during the validity of this MoU. Any difference arising out of interpretation, implementation or application of the MoU shall be resolved amicably through consultation between the Parties, represented by the respective competent authorities.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned, being duly authorized by their respective Parties, have signed the MoU.

Signed on the date of 25th August 2023 at GAA in two originals, in the English Language.

Prof. (Dr) Mukti Kanta Mishra PRESIDENT

Centurion University of Technology and Management grant.

Dr. Shashank Grahacharjya Director, CGGO, GAA, Odisha

Witnesses:

Prof. K.V.D. Porkall

CENTURION UNIVERSITY