



MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN INDIAN INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY MANDI



AND

NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY, TIRUCHIRAPPALLI

This memorandum of understanding entered into on 1st day of June 2018 between Indian Institute of Technology Mandi, Himachal Pradesh - 175 005, an autonomous Institute of National Importance under the Ministry of Human Resource Development, Government of India with its registered office at Mandi, Himachal Pradesh, state (hereinafter referred to as IIT Mandi) of the first part

AND

National Institute of Technology, Tiruchirappalli - 620 015, Tamilnadu, an autonomous Institute of National Importance under the Ministry of Human Resource Development, Government of India with its registered office at Tiruchirappalli, Tamilnadu State (hereinafter referred to as NIT-T) of the second part.

INTRODUCTION

IIT Mandi and NIT-T agree to enter into a "Collaboration" between the two institutions. This Memorandum of Understanding ("MOU") sets out below the principles by which, the IIT Mandi and NIT-T can establish a formal agreement regarding such collaboration.

ARTICLE 1.0: THE SCOPE OF MOU

This MOU details the modalities and general conditions regarding collaboration between IIT Mandi and NIT-T for enhancing within the country, the capabilities, expertise and competance in the areas mentioned under the scope of MOU without prejudice to prevailing rules and regulations in IIT Mandi and NIT-T.

The scope of MOU covers collaborative R&D, academic interaction leading to reforms in curriculum, student exchange associated with transfer of credits, faculty exchange, sharing of e-journal resources, accessibility to sophisticated instruments and sharing of knowledge of best practices.

ARTICLE 2.0

The activities under the linkage will be as described below for collaboration, which form the schedule to this Memorandum of Understanding. The schedule may be amended by mutual agreement and such amendments will form part of this memorandrum of understanding.

ARTICLE 2.1

IIT Mandi and NIT-T shall submit collaborative research projects to various funding agencies like DST, CSIR, CMPDI, DRDO, SERB, DBT, BRNS, etc,in the areas of mutual interest.

ARTICLE 2.2

The instrumentation facilities, laboratory and library facilities of one of the institutions will be made available for the research scholars and faculty members working in the other institution. Wherever charges are to be paid, concessional charges as decided by the respective institution will be paid from the funds of the research projects or joint research projects or other funds of the other institution.

ARTICLE 2.3

The faculty members of each of the institutes may teach part of the courses or give expert lectures at the other institute through video conferencing mode using National Knowledge Network (NKN), without prejudice to their work and responsibility at their home institute. In such cases, the honorarium will be decided by the host institute.

ARTICLE 2.4

Pursuant to the agreement for academic exchange, IIT Mandi and NIT-T shall exchange students according to the terms laid out in **Annexure 1**. It is desired by both parties that there will be significant flow of students in both directions.

ARTICLE 2.5

IIT Mandi and NIT-T shall organize national/international conferences/seminars/workshops jointly.

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ARTICLE 3.0: SEPARATE AGREEMENTS

In addition, it is envisaged that each activity, that the parties wish to pursue in accordance with the purpose of the MOU will be governed by terms and conditions to be separately negotiated and mutually agreed upon by the parties through the signing of one or more subsidiary agreements.

ARTICLE 4.0

Every individual research collaboration will have a separate agreement/terms of contract that addresses issues such as Intellectual Property Right (IPR), funding pattern, disclosure of confidential information etc.

ARTICLE 5.0

- 5.1 This MOU shall be effective for an initial period of 5 years from the date of signing. Thereafter, this MOU may be extended for a period of 5 years or for any other period of time as deemed appropriate by both the parties, subject to their mutual consent of any such extension to be made in writing.
- 5.2 Either party may terminate this Memorandum of Understanding by giving a written notice of termination of at least 3 months in advance.
- 5.3 In the event of termination of MOU, for whatever reasons, both parties agree to fulfil their respective commitments in respect of the researchers undergoing the Ph. D., joint research projects, joint conferences planned etc., at the time of termination.

ARTICLE 6.0

Any clause or article of the MOU may be modified or amended by mutual agreement of IIT Mandi and NIT-T.

ARTICLE 7.0: ARBITRATIONS

In case of any dispute arising out of this agreement, the heads of the institution shall endeavour to resolve such controversy or dispute by mutual discussions and in good faith.

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Annexure 1

- Students under the student exchange programme will be classified as special exchange students.
 Special exchange students will be permitted to take courses on credit / audit, as well as participate in research activities / project work.
- In any case, the consent of the teacher / project supervisors / research supervisors is required. Such consent will take into account among other things whether the student has pre-requisites for the course / project.
- 3. Neither institution will require admission or tuition fees of exchange students under this MOU.
- Course credits and grades earned will be determined by the sending institution based on the grade report from the host institution.
- 5. Each institution will accept up to five students each year.
- 6. Participants may not spend more than one year normally in the exchange programme.
- 7. Participants will be subjected to the rules and regulations of the host institution.

Selection and nomination

The selection and nomination of students is open throughout the academic year. The student nomination should be accompanied by:

- Curriculum vitae.
- · Statement of aptitude from a member of the student's school / faculty.
- A specific outline of the programme of study at the host institution and a statement of
 objectives of the student.

When a nomination is forwarded by the sending institution, it is presumed that the sending institution considers the student suitable for the proposed program and consents to send the student if selected by the host institution.

The host institution will evaluate the nomination and determine their suitability for selection under the Student Exchange Program.

Where the exchange student is pursuing a research or implementation project as a part of the B. Tech, M. Tech, M. Sc. or Ph. D. (or equivalent) degree programme, the host institution will provide a suitable faculty member to jointly assist (along with the supervisor in the parent institution) the exchange student in formulating research project or jointly supervising the exchange student in the event that a research project has already been identified.

The host institution will inform the home institution of any academic or other problems that may arise during the period of student's residence in the host institution. The host institution will take appropriate action under its established policy and procedures, in consultation with the home institution to deal with such problems.

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