

**MEMORANDUM  
OF  
UNDERSTANDING (MoU)  
Between  
NATIONAL SANSKRIT UNIVERSITY  
(NSU), TIRUPATI  
AND  
KRISHI BHARATHAM TRUST,  
HYDERABAD**



**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN NATIONAL SANSKRIT UNIVERSITY (NSU), TIRUPATI AND KRISHI BHARATHAM TRUST, HYDERABAD**

This Memorandum of Understanding is made and executed on 16<sup>th</sup> September 2021 at Tirupati

BETWEEN

National Sanskrit University (NSU), Tirupati represented by Commander Challa Venkateswar (Retired), the Registrar, NSU, Tirupati, hereinafter called as the 'FIRST PARTY' which expression shall unless repugnant to the context mean and include its successors, assignees, representatives and administrators of the one part as First Party

AND

Krishi Bharatham Trust, Hyderabad represented by Sri Guduru Kautilya, Managing Trustee, hereinafter called as the 'SECOND PARTY' which expression shall unless repugnant to the context mean and include its successors, assignees, representatives and administrators of the other part as Second Party.

WHEREAS


1. The Ministry of Education, Government of India has established the National Sanskrit University (NSU), Tirupati through the Central Sanskrit Universities Act, 2020 as a Central University. Prior to the enactment, NSU was known as Rashtriya Sanskrit Vidyapeetha, Tirupati (RSV, Tirupati) as a Deemed-to-be University.
2. National Education Policy 2020 was initiated by the Government of India to give more emphasis on the indigenous knowledge system. It bestows liberty on the institutions of Higher Education to have research in the Oriental knowledge disseminated through the ages. The policy puts emphasis on multi-disciplinary research-oriented programmes and projects to re-establish the pristine glory of the country. Keeping this in mind, the National Sanskrit University strives hard to make collaborative projects and programmes to fulfill the aspects of National Education Policy 2020.
3. The Krishi Bharatham Trust, Hyderabad is interested in charitable activities and its main objects include (i) promoting Vedic farming and ancient culture through safeguarding natural resources, (ii) organising campaigns and programmes to disseminate Vedic knowledge and ancient culture, (iii) promoting Ayurvedic plantation for restoring

  
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- ecological balance; (iv) encourage use of desi seeds for the agricultural practices, and to achieve better standard of life style.
4. WHEREAS the Second Party approached the First Party (National Sanskrit University) for forging an alliance by entering into a Memorandum of Understanding to engage in an effort to build up the awareness of Vedic agriculture and building relationships with the farmers and other stakeholders.
  5. WHEREAS the First Party agreed to build up relationship with the Second Party for promoting Vedic agriculture, principles of respect for diversity, respect for the local context in all curriculum.
  6. Both the parties agree to take the following steps in furtherance of achievements of the purpose of the MoU:
    - ✓ Educating farmers about the Vedic farming techniques, mainly, agnihotram, nakshatras, cow dung, ghee, honey, and encouraging them to move away from chemical farming
    - ✓ Promoting the significance of ancient Hindu culture through honoring cattle, trees, seeds, agricultural festivals including organising vrishabhotsavams
    - ✓ Conducting research in different types of soils and geographical and monsoon regions, observe and analyze the changes in the nature of soil, its fertility, yield patterns and extrapolating the data for further expansion of the activities in Vedic farming
    - ✓ Protecting and promoting desi seeds and desi cattles
    - ✓ Promoting ecological balance; and
    - ✓ Conceive and launch courses in the principal and allied subjects.
  7. It is agreed between both the parties that the First Party will be responsible only for dissemination of the information on Vedic farming available in Vedas, Puranas, Samhithas, etc. through awareness camps, seminars and its role does not extend to conducting any experiments on field, whereas the Second Party agrees to organize exhibitions, distribute seeds, undertake field level experiments and correlate the findings with the principles of Vedic farming.
  8. It is also agreed between both the parties that First Party is at liberty to launch any course on Vedic farming without the involvement of the Second Party and the Second Party does not have any objection to the said launching of the programmes, courses, etc. by the First Party.
  9. **Financial Provisions:** As the MoU is generic in nature, no financial commitments are envisaged. Sharing of expenditure shall be determined by both the parties on a project-by-project basis and will be incorporated by reference as an addendum to this MoU.

  
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10. **Duration:** It is agreed between both the parties that this MoU will be in force for a period of FIVE YEARS with effect from the date of signing the MoU. Additional activities proposed within the framework of the general terms of this MoU will be formally incorporated as addenda to this MoU, provided the addendum is agreed to and signed by both parties. The MoU with addenda, if any, can be extended further by mutual consultation and agreement. Both NSU and The Trust shall inform in writing the respective communities of this MoU to draw benefits from it and to contribute towards its implementation in spirit and substance.
11. **Coordinator:** Dr. P. Murali Krishna, Principal, TTDs Sri Venkateswara Ayurvedic College, SVIMS campus, Tirupati is the external coordinator on behalf of the NSU and Prof. Rani Sadasiva Murthy, Dean, Academic Affairs, will serve as Coordinator on behalf of the NSU, Tirupati. Dr. Shiva Kiran is the Coordinator on behalf of the Second Party. The respective Coordinators shall be responsible for all the communication between the two institutions and the implementation of the proposed objectives of the MoU. The authorized signatories and/ or the Coordinators of NSU and the Trust will (a) implement this MoU and all endeavors that derive from it; (b) develop and carry out joint plans for the implementation of the objectives of the MoU by having regular communications; and (c) submit yearly 'Status reports' on the implementation of this MoU.
12. **Intellectual Property Rights:** Intellectual Property developed by the joint efforts would be the joint property of the Parties and any financial benefits or otherwise arising out of it shall be shared proportionately by the parties in consonance with the efforts / inputs given by them.
13. **Termination / Amendment of MoU:** Both the parties will endeavour to resolve disputes arising between them in relation to this MoU by amicable means. If this not be possible because of irreconcilable differences, then this MoU may be terminated by the two parties.
- ✓ Either party may terminate this MoU by written notification signed by the appropriate official of the Party initiating the notice.
  - ✓ A minimum of three months prior notice must be sent to the other party prior to the effective date of termination
  - ✓ In the event of a breakdown due to disagreement etc., the expenditure incurred by the parties would remain on a 'As is Where is' condition. This would be decided on a project-by-project basis.

  
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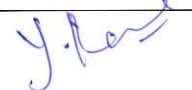
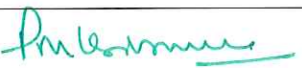
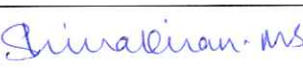
  
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- ✓ Students taking courses as part of this MoU shall be allowed to continue till the end of that semester/course.

14. **Jurisdiction:** All disputes are to be settled within the jurisdiction of Tirupati Courts in the State of Andhra Pradesh.

15. **Undertaking:** Both the parties undertake to work closely and cooperate in the implementation of this MoU. The authorized representatives acknowledge having read and understood the MoU and agree to be bound by its terms and conditions.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned, being duly authorized thereto, have signed this Agreement in two original copies in English at the place and on the date(s) indicated below:

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| <br><br>Registrar,<br>National Sanskrit University,<br>Tirupati | <br><br>Managing Trustee<br>Krishi Bharatham Trust,<br>Hyderabad |
| Date: 16 <sup>th</sup> September 2021  | Date: 16 <sup>th</sup> September 2021  |
| Place: Tirupati  | Place: Tirupati  |
| Witness 1: <br>Name: Prof. Rani Sadashiva Murthy  | Witness 1: <br>Name: DR. RAMA Y.   |
| Witness 2: <br>Name: Prof. P. MURALI KRISHNA.   | Witness 2: <br>Name: Dr. M-S. Shivakiran   |