

## MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

BETWEEN

GLA University, Mathura

AND

Vellore Institute of Technology (VIT), Vellore, India

This Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) is being signed on the...*07*...Day of *August*...the year 2021 (effective date) between

The GLA University, established under U.P. State Legislative Act of 2009 (UP Act 21 of 2010) and ranked among the top Universities of Uttar Pradesh and India and has been accredited by the National Assessment and Accreditation Council (NAAC) with 'A' Grade having its campus at NH-2, Mathura-Delhi Road P.O. Chaumuhan, Mathura, Uttar Pradesh 281406. (Hereinafter referred to as "GLAU")

And

VIT was established with the aim of providing quality higher education on par with international standards. It persistently seeks and adopts innovative methods to improve the quality of higher education on a consistent basis. Vellore Institute of Technology (VIT) is a private deemed university located in Vellore, India. Founded in 1984, as Vellore Engineering College, by G. Viswanathan, the institution offers 54 Undergraduate, 34 Postgraduate, 9 Integrated, 2 Research and 2 M.Tech Industrial Programmes. It has campuses in Vellore, Amravati, Bhopal and Chennai.

Whereas GLA University is offering a wide range of Graduate, Post-Graduate and Doctorate programmes. GLA University is approved and recognized by University Grants Commission (UGC), NCTE and Pharmacy Council of India.

Both the Parties agree to work in the area of Biotechnology and undertake that specific areas under the MoU may be proposed, formulated and agreed upon by them for the implementation of this MoU and for the said areas. GLA University and/or Vellore Institute of Technology (VIT), assigned shall consider the same as part of this MoU.

The two institutions will endeavor to cooperate as follows:

## 1. OBJECTIVES

The purpose of this MoU is to develop academic and research cooperation and to promote mutual understanding between the two Universities/ organizations. By signing this MoU, both the organizations acknowledge a commitment towards developing academic. Industry relationship in the areas of Research Papers, Research Meetings, Exchange programmes, Events (projects, guest lectures, workshops, seminars, conferences, etc.)

This MoU aims to build a long term relationship and to develop healthy and stable arrangements between both the Parties. Any collaborative programs, projects or actives proposed under the auspices of this MoU shall be subject to negotiation, agreement and approval by, and approval by, and between, the Parties.

The parties will work out a specific plan for any activity mentioned above; and mutually discuss the detailed arrangement for collaboration. The terms and conditions for such activities as deliverables, funding, developers, intellectual property will have to be specified in a separate work specific agreement.

## 2. ROLES & RESPONSIBILITIES OF EACH PARTY

IAH Department of Biotechnology, GLA University, Mathura, UP, India will be responsible for the following areas:

- GLA University shall nominate one person with adequate accountability and responsibility to coordinate the seminar/ workshops/ training programmes. He/ She would act as the single point of contact for the proposed events.
- GLA University shall make available the infrastructure (including IT infrastructure, Research Labs and connectivity) required to conduct the workshops/ training programmes/ seminar/ conferences and professional development programmes.
- GLA University shall coordinate with Vellore Institute of Technology (VIT) and facilitate conduct of all assessments including the joint research papers/projects etc.

Vellore Institute of Technology (VIT), Vellore, India will be responsible for the following areas:

- **Exchange of students:** Organisation of study visits and training, participation in Bachelors', Masters' and Doctoral courses, recognition of academic credits, guidance and supervision of student's theses and project works. Towards this purpose, a few scholarships to meet their living expenses partly or wholly may be made available from both sides.
- **Exchange of faculty:** Planning and handling of academic programmes and courses, organization of seminars, workshops and conferences including the exchange of mutual experiences in teaching, research and industrial practice.
- **Exchange in research:** Joint programmes in Research and Development including exchange of publications and reports.
- **Twinning Programmes:** Explore possibilities of joint twinning programmes in interdisciplinary areas of specialisation of high relevance to both institutions.



- **Centres of Excellence:** Creation of Centres of Excellence in specialized fields of mutual interest in Science, Engineering, Technology, Management and Humanities.

### **3. FINANCIAL ARRANGEMENT**

The financial arrangement for the co-operative activities undertaken within the framework of this MoU shall be mutually agreed upon by both the Parties on a case-to-case basis, subject to the availability of funds and resources.

### **4. REPRESENTATION AND WARRANTY**

Each Party to this MoU represents that the execution and performance of this MoU is not contrary to any rule, law, statute, internal policy, or any other such order or rule by which such Party is bound.

### **5. PROTECTION OF INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY RIGHTS/ OWNERSHIP**

Each party will protect, its territory, intellectual property rights of the other party in force in their respective countries. All copyrights, design rights, rights relating to computer software or intellectual property rights of the documents produced in support of any activity under this MoU shall remain with the Party owning it.

Ownership of any intellectual property (including but not limited to confidential information, know-how, patents, copyrights, design rights, rights relating to computer software, and any other industrial or intellectual property rights) developed during the course of this MoU shall be decided through a separate project specific agreement.

### **6. CONFIDENTIALITY**

- a. Confidential information includes all communication of information disclosed in documentary or tangible form between the Parties, including oral, written and machine-readable form, pertaining to the above which is indicated as confidential. In the case of such information disclosed orally or visually, the Disclosing Party shall confirm in writing the fact and general nature of each disclosure within (30) days after it is made.
- b. Confidential information includes information:
  1. Disclosed by, or on behalf of, the Disclosing Party to the Receiving Party,
  2. Otherwise learned or ascertained by the Receiving party from inspection and/or evaluation of sample(s) identified by the Disclosing party as confidential and provided to the Receiving party by or on behalf of the Disclosing Party (sample(s)) and/or,
  3. Otherwise learned or ascertained by the Receiving Party from the Disclosing Party.
- c. The Receiving Party will not disclose confidential information of the Disclosing Party to any other person and use at least the same degree of care to maintain the Information confidential as receiving party uses in maintaining as confidential its own confidential Information, but always at least a reasonable degree of care; due diligence will be taken by both the parties in maintenance of confidential information.
- d. The Receiving Party will use the confidential information only for the above mentioned purpose.

- e. The Receiving Party will restrict disclosure of the confidential information of the Disclosing Party solely to those employees, subsidiaries, parent and affiliated companies of Receiving Party having a need to know such Information in order to accomplish the purpose stated above.
- f. This MoU imposes no obligation on Receiving Party with respect to any portion of the confidential information received from Disclosing Party which:
  - i. Was known to Receiving Party prior to disclosure by Disclosing Party,
  - ii. Is lawfully obtained by Receiving Party from a third party under no obligation of confidentiality,
  - iii. Is, or becomes, generally known or publicly available other than by unauthorized disclosure, is independently developed by Receiving Party,
  - iv. Is disclosed by disclosing Party to a third party without a duty of confidentiality on the third party.
  - v. Is required by law or decree.
- g. The confidential information shall remain the sole property of the Disclosing Party.
- h. The obligation of non-disclosure of confidential information shall survive for 3 years after expiry/termination of this MoU.

## **7. SUSPENSION**

Each party reserves the rights for reasons of national security, national interest, public order or public health to suspend temporarily either in whole or in part the implementation of this MoU. The suspension shall take effect immediately after written notification has been given to the other party through diplomatic channels.

## **8. REVISION, MODIFICATION AND AMENDMENT**

Either Party may request in writing a revision, modification or amendment of all or any part of this MoU. Any revision, modification or amendment agreed to by the parties shall be reflected in writing and shall form part of this MoU. Such revision, modification or amendment shall come into force on such date as may be determined by parties.

## **9. SETTLEMENT OF DISPUTES**

The MoU is not intended to create any legal obligations between the Parties. Any difference or dispute between the Parties concerning the interpretation and/ or implementation and / or applicable to any of the provisions of this MoU shall be settled amicably through mutual consultation and / or negotiation between the Parties, without reference to any third party or international tribunal.

The MoU shall be governed and constructed in accordance with the Laws of India. The parties agree to submit to the exclusive jurisdiction of Mathura Court in India in connection with any dispute between the Parties under the MoU.



In case any disputes arise in implementing the MoU, these shall be resolved by mutual consultation.

#### **10. EFFECTIVE DATE, DURATION AND TERMINATION**

The MoU shall commence from the Effective Date and shall continue for a period of Five (5) years from the Effective Date (hereafter referred to as "Term"). Thereafter, both parties shall review the status of this co-operation and may extend the Term on such conditions as mutually agreed upon.

Notwithstanding the 10 paragraph 1 above, either party may terminate this MoU by notifying the other Party in writing at least Six (6) months in advance of such termination.

10.1 Unless otherwise agreed upon by the Parties, the termination of this MoU shall not affect the implementation of the on-going activities and/or programmes, which have been agreed upon before the date of the termination of the MoU.

#### **11. SINGLE POINT OF CONTACT (SPOC)**

Each party shall designate a person or office to serve as liaison for implementing this MoU. The liaison/ SPOC may change from time to time upon notice given to the other party in writing pursuant to this MoU. For the Vellore Institute of Technology (VIT), Vellore, Prof. Pragasam V., Professor & Dean, School of Bio Sciences & Technology, Vellore Institute of Technology, Vellore, Tamil Nadu 632014; Email ID- dean.sbst@vit.ac.in; Contact Number – (+91) 96290 96957 and For GLA University, the initial liaison/Single Point of Contact(SPOC) will be Dr. Pradeep Kumar Choudhary, Department of Biotechnology, GLA University, Mathura, Email ID- pradeep.choudhary@gla.ac.in ; Contact Number – (+ 91) 9012423746.

#### **12. INDEMNIFICATION**

Both the parties shall indemnify and keep the other party indemnified and harmless against any and all claims, actions, proceedings by third party (including all costs, expenses, damages/ losses) arising out of or in connection with this MoU due to breach of any provisions of this agreement Memorandum of Understanding by such party or as a result of any act of negligence/omission or commission on part of such party and /or its employees, agents etc.

#### **13. FORCE MAJEURE**

13.1 Neither party hereto shall be liable for any failure to perform its obligations hereunder to the extent that performance has been delayed, hindered or prevented by any circumstances beyond the reasonable control of that party, including without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing, any act of God, war, riot, civil commotion, strike, lock-out or other form of industrial action or any form of government or supernatural authority intervention.

13.2 The affected party to be able to avail of this clause will be obliged to inform the other party of:

- (a) The occurrence of any such event of force majeure; and
- (b) Resume its responsibilities on the cessation of such force majeure event.

**14. MISCELLANEOUS**

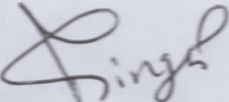
14.1 Neither party shall use or publicize the MoU in such a manner as to cause any disrepute to the other party and shall not make any statement relevant to this MoU which may reasonably be considered to be misleading.

14.2 If any doubt arises as to the interpretation of the provisions of this Agreement or as to matters not provided therein, the parties to this Agreement shall consult with each other for each instance and resolve such doubts in good faith.

14.3 In case of dispute or difference arising out of, or in connection with, this MoU; the same shall be settled through mutual discussions between GLA University and Vellore Institute of Technology (VIT), Vellore.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the parties hereto have signed & executed this memorandum in presence of each other and in presence of attesting witnesses.

For and on behalf of  
GLA University, Mathura

  
Mr. Ashok Kumar Singh  
Registrar  
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Registrar  
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For and on behalf of  
Vellore Institute of Technology (VIT), Vellore


  
Dr. K. Sathiyarayanan, FRSC  
Registrar — REGISTRAR  
Vellore Institute of Technology (VIT)  
(Deemed to be University under section 3 of UGC Act, 1956)  
Vellore-632 014, Tamil Nadu, India

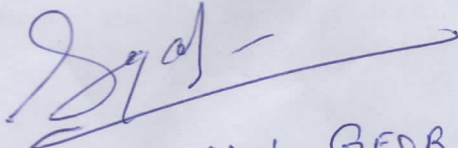
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Witness 1:   
Dr. A. K. Gupta  
Director  
Institute of Applied Sciences  
& Humanities  
GLA University, Mathura (U.P.)

Witness 1:   
Dean  
School of Bio Sciences & Technology (SBST)  
Vellore Institute of Technology (VIT)  
(Deemed to be University under section 3 of UGC Act, 1956)  
Vellore - 632 014, Tamil Nadu, India

Witness 2:   
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Professor & Head, Dept. of Biotechnology  
GLA University, Mathura (U.P.), INDIA

Witness 2:   
SAJAN GEORGE  
ASST. PROFESSOR  
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