

# MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING



**SOPHIA GIRLS' COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS), AJMER  
RAJASTHAN**

**AND**



**HOLY CROSS COLLEGE, AGARTALA**



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## MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

BETWEEN

SOPHIA GIRLS' COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS), AJMER, RAJASTHAN

And

HOLY CROSS COLLEGE, AGARTALA

This MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING [hereinafter MOU] is made and entered into on Friday, 03.01.2020 between *Sophia Girls' College (Autonomous), Ajmer, Rajasthan (hereinafter SGC)*, on the ONE PART and *Holy Cross College, Agartala (hereinafter HCC)*, on the OTHER PART (who for the purpose of this MOU are hereinafter individually referred to as 'PARTY' and collectively referred to as the 'PARTIES').

The PARTIES, having discussed the fields of common research interests and allied activities between the two institutions, have decided to enter into a long-term collaboration in the areas of education, training and research.

WHERE AS *Sophia Girls' College (Autonomous), Ajmer (Rajasthan)* established in 1959 is a premier education Institution of higher learning in Rajasthan having U.G. & P.G. Programs in Arts, Science, Commerce, Management, Computer Science and Library and Information Science along with Ph.D. Program in various disciplines. The College has been reaccredited

Grade 'A'+ by NAAC Bangalore, and is involved in the dissemination of knowledge, research and extension.

And WHEREAS *Holy Cross College, Agartala* an institution of Higher Learning having UG and PG courses and is involved in research, education, training and extension.

AND HENCE it has been considered expedient to agree in writing to participate jointly in undertaking students and research projects as per the expertise and logistics available with the PARTIES.

**Article 1. Objectives**

- 1.1 Faculty & student exchange
- 1.2 Sharing of resources and infrastructure
- 1.3 Organization of joint activities in research, co & extra - curricular areas.

**Article 2. Areas of Research Cooperation**

- 2.1 Biological Sciences
- 2.2 Physical Sciences
- 2.3 Computer Science
- 2.4 Humanities / Social Science
- 2.5 Languages
- 2.6 Commerce
- 2.7 Management

**Article 3. Forms of Cooperation**

- 3.1 Joint research projects
- 3.2 Academic projects/ programmes
- 3.3 Seminars and lectures on topics of mutual interest and relevance
- 3.4 Public outreach

**Article 4. Exchange of Information and Research Samples**

- 4.1 The term "information" includes scientific or technical data, results and/or methods of investigation, and other information intended to be provided, exchanged or arising under the objectives identified under Article 1. The PARTIES shall take all measures to protect the secrecy and avoid disclosure and unauthorized use of the information which is confidential and outside the public domain.

4.2 Samples exchanged between the PARTIES shall not be transferred to any third party for research and commercial purposes and that the unutilized portions of such samples must be sent back to the concerned coordinators identified under Article 6.1.

#### **Article 5. Publications and Intellectual Property Rights**

5.1 Any research publications and intellectual property rights arising out of the students- and joint research projects shall be jointly published and, when patented, will be jointly and equally owned by SGC and HCC

5.2 The procedural formalities for securing and maintaining the intellectual property rights shall be the responsibility of both SGC / HCC and the expenditure incurred thereof shall be borne jointly and equally by them.

5.3 The upfront fee and royalty accrued from licensing of any intellectual property arising from this collaboration to other PARTY [IES] shall be shared between the PARTIES, the terms and conditions of which shall be the subject matter of a separate agreement between the PARTIES.

5.4 The PARTIES shall not assign any rights and obligations to any third PARTIES without written consent of the other party.

#### **Article 6. Implementation**

6.1 The PARTIES agree to constitute an Advisory Committee as follows:

<b>Prof. Sr. Pearl (Convener)</b> <b>Principal,</b> <b>Sophia Girls' College (Autonomous),</b> <b>Ajmer, Rajasthan</b>	<b>Dr. Fr. Benny K. John</b> <b>Principal,</b> <b>Holy Cross College, Agartala</b>
<b>Prof. Monika Kannan</b> <b>Coordinator, IQAC &amp; Coordinator,</b> <b>Academic Collaborations</b> <b>(Co - Convener)</b>	<i>Dr. Sushobhan Sengupta.</i> <i>IQAC coordinator</i> <i>Holy Cross College, Agartala.</i>

6.2 Based on the education, training and research requirements of students and staff, the advisory committee shall, in consultation with the faculty and scientists, decide on topics and the mode of cooperation for each of the academic years during the tenure of this cooperation.

6.3 The convener and co-convener shall be the contact persons for all the cooperation and other related issues identified in this understanding.

**Article 7. Finance**

7.1 Each PARTY shall bear the respective costs of carrying out the obligations under this agreement. Neither PARTY shall make a claim against the other PARTY for any expenditure unless such expenditure has been agreed upon in writing between the PARTIES.

**Article 8. General Provisions**

8.1 Research instrumentation, infrastructure and library facilities available at the PARTIES work place(s) shall be made available to the scientists, faculty, research scholars and students of the PARTIES.

8.2 The PARTIES shall not use any of the confidential information which is required to be held in confidence for any purpose other than performance of their obligations under this understanding.

8.3 The implementation of the areas and forms of cooperation identified under Articles 2 and 3 shall be subject to the availability and convenience of research students, faculties and infrastructure facilities available at the PARTIES work places.

8.4 The PARTY organizing an item of work shall have the nodal responsibility for mobilizing resources and the conduct of such works.

8.5 There shall be exchange visits by faculty members for academic and research purposes.

8.6 There shall be exchanges of students between both the parties with the convenience of both the parties so that students can be benefitted by the good teachers of both PARTIES.

8.7 All questions related to this understanding arising during its term shall be settled by the PARTIES by mutual agreement. In case of any disagreement a retired District Judge shall be appointed and remuneration of whom shall be paid jointly.

8.8 Nothing in this understanding is intended to affect other cooperation or collaboration between the PARTIES.

8.9 All the collaboration activities pursuant to this agreement shall be conducted in accordance with the laws and regulations governing SGC and HCC.

**Article 9. Entry into Effect and Termination**

9.1 Our Memorandum of Understanding had been signed earlier for a duration of 03.01.2020 - 03.02.2024. As per our prior agreement we jointly decide to continue our collaboration which has been mutually beneficial and fruitful to both the Institutions, Hence we wish to extend the validity of the existing MoU. This would facilitate further mutual growth and research collaborations between the two Institutions.

9.2 This MOU shall be effective for a period of **Five Years** henceforth, and shall be automatically renewed thereafter for another five years which will be valid 3<sup>rd</sup> February, 2034 unless a written notice to terminate or amend this agreement is given to the other PARTY six months in advance.

9.3 It is expressly agreed that neither party shall be liable for damages that they might cause each other as a result of a forceful suspension of a collaboration program. Causes for forceful suspension must be explicitly set forth in the action plans.

9.4 All joint activities not completed at the expiration or termination of this agreement may be continued until their completion under the terms of this understanding.

**Article 10. Amendments**

10.1 This MoU represents the entire understanding between the PARTIES and supersedes any and all understandings either oral or written hither-to with respect to the subject matter of this understanding.

10.2 No amendment or modification of the MoU shall be valid unless the same is made in writing by both the PARTIES and specifically stating the same to be an amendment of the MoU. The modifications/changes shall become part of the MoU and shall be effective from the date on which they are made/executed unless otherwise agreed to.

**Article 11. Assignment**

11.1 This MoU is based on the professional competence and expertise of each PARTY and hence neither PARTY shall transfer or assign this agreement or rights or obligations arising hereunder, either wholly or in part, to any third party.

**Article 12. Conflict Resolution**

12.1 Any dispute resulting from the interpretation or application of this Agreement shall be settled through direct negotiation and common agreement by the persons delegated to such end by each Institution. Either party may propose to the other a modification of the Agreement at any time in writing.

**Article 13. Non-exclusivity**

13.1 The relationship of the PARTIES under this understanding shall be non-exclusive and both PARTIES are free to pursue other agreements or collaborations of any kind.

This MoU has been executed in two originals, one of which has been retained by SGC and the other by HCC

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the PARTIES have executed this MoU and represent that they approve, accept and agree to the terms contained herein.

For and on behalf of

**Sophia Girls' College (Autonomous)  
Ajmer (Rajasthan)**



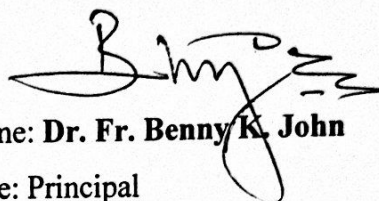
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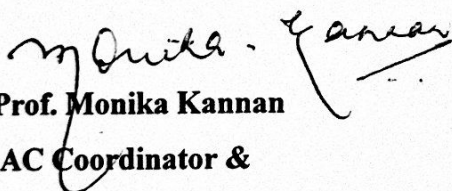


Name: Dr. Fr. Benny K. John  
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In the presence of:



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## **EXTENSION OF MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING**

Our Memorandum of Understanding has expired on 03.01.2023. As per our prior agreement we jointly decide to continue our collaboration which has been mutually beneficial and fruitful to both the Institutions, Hence we wish to extend the validity of the existing MoU for a period of **One year One Month**. This would facilitate further mutual growth and research collaborations between the two Institutions.

As a part of the Memorandum of Understanding extension, the objectives and other terms and conditions will remain the same as per our prior agreement.

*For and on behalf of:*

**Sophia Girls College (Autonomous), Ajmer  
(Rajasthan)**

Signature:

Name: Prof. Sr. Pearl

Title: Principal

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*For and on behalf of:*

**Holy Cross College, Agartala**

Signature:

Name:

Dr. Ar. Benayuki Joshi

Title:

Principal

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