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RC.No.178%/31/97-11 பட்டு லெணிவிருமுல் செக்கல் 4வது வடங்கு சிரி அரு வெளி வீகி, மதுரை

1. Purpose

This Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) establishes policies, procedures and scope for potential collaborative opportunities to enhance the exchange of knowledge, expertise and information between the DEPARTMENT OF MICROBIOLOGY AND BIOTECHNOLOGY, THE MADURA COLLEGE, Madurai duly represented by CA S. Natanagopal, Secretary and GOLDEN JUBILEE BIOTECH PARK FOR WOMEN SOCIETY, Chennai duly represented by Dr. D. Sudhakaran, General Manager, registered as a Society under Tamil Nadu Societies Registration Act 1975, situated at 4th Main Road, 2nd Cross Street, inside SIPCOT IT Park, Old Mahabalipuram Road, Navalur Post, Kanchipuram Dt, Siruseri, Tamil Nadu – 603103, in areas pertaining to biotechnology, agrotechnology, bioinformatics, molecular biology, microbiology, entrepreneurship and internship programmes. Through this MoU, both the parties express cooperation in capacity building, skill development, entrepreneurial training and participation in Research and Development.

CA S. Natanagopal

Secretary

The Madura College Board Madurai-625 011 Dr. D. Sudhakaran General Manager

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2. Background

The Madura College(Autonomous) was started in the year 1889, has been serving the society for one hundred thirty three years for the cause of higher education. When the UGC decided to grant autonomy to colleges in 1978, The Madura College was privileged to belong to the first list of such institutions. The college offers 21 Under Graduate, 13 Post Graduate, 8 M.Phil and 9 Ph.D., programmes. In 2008, the Department of Physics received FIST funding and the departments of Mathematics, Botany and Chemistry too obtained FIST fund in 2011. In addition, members of faculty were awarded project by ICSSR, DST, DBT, SERB and UGC amounting to one crore. Departments Microbiology and Bio-Technology were started in the self-financed stream in the year 1996 and 2008 respectively to promote modern life science education to our students. Both departments, have conducted several exhibitions, conferences, seminars and actively involved in the field of research. The recent addition is *spirulina* unit which is a pioneering project by the department of biotechnology to promote Entrepreneurial skills among students.

GOLDEN JUBILEE BIOTECH PARK FOR WOMEN SOCIETY is a unique venture set up with a mission to provide opportunities to qualified women to take up to a career of remunerative self-employment through biotechnological enterprises. The Park began its commercial operations in 2001 and over the years has proved to be a successful and unique venture in women entrepreneur development in the Biotech Sector. The Park has been designed based on the principle of decentralized production supported by centralized services to promote a series of biotechnology based enterprises in the areas of Agro, Food & Nutrition, Medical & Healthcare with a huge focus on mentoring, training and capacity building.

3. Introduction

- 3.1 The parties have mutually agreed to sign this MoU in order to express their intention, in principle, to enter into discussions in good faith to facilitate and develop a meaningful and mutually beneficial relationship and to explore and encourage the development of new opportunities for collaboration between the parties.
- 3.2 This MoU is not legally binding and is designed merely to inform and assist the ongoing discussions. Neither party wishes for this MoU to give rise to any binding commitment or legal obligation.
- 3.3 The terms of cooperation for any other specific activities not contemplated under this MoU shall be mutually discussed and written down by both parties prior to the initiation of that particular activity. Any such activities agreed upon will be recorded and governed by a separate document executed by both parties.
- 3.4 The parties agree that MoUs of a similar of different nature can have arrangements with different institutions/organizations.

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4. Substance of Understanding

4.1 Information Sharing

The parties mutually agree to collaborate and facilitate a structured plan for the benefit of staff and students of the department through guest lectures, workshops, training programmes, projects and internships. The sharing of information and knowledge will function under the principles of mutual understanding, common interest and complementary activities.

4.2 Scope of potential collaborative opportunities

Opportunities will be provided for Students and Staff of the Department to undertake projects and summer internship training programmes and to use the facilities and expertise through lab and field work.

Exchange of resource materials pertaining to academics, research and workshops.

Experiences and expertise in the fields of biotechnology, agrotechnology, bioinformatics, molecular biology, microbiology, Entrepreneurship skill training etc., will be mutually exchanged and would be used for academic purposes and for societal benefits.

Scientists and academicians will deliver guest lectures in areas of their specialization to students on days and timings pre-arranged on mutual consent.

Both the organizations will encourage visits and utilization of each other's research and technical facilities as and when required upon mutual consent.

4.3 Duration and Termination of the MoU

This MoU shall take effect upon signature by the authorities of both parties.

This MoU is valid from the date of execution by the parties and shall remain in effect for a period of FIVE YEARS with the mutual written agreement of both parties and may be amended at any time by written mutual consent.

Either party may terminate this MoU at any time without liability to the other on prior written notice of three months.

This MoU does not create binding, enforceable obligations against any party and all activities undertaken are subject to the availability of personnel, resources and funds, imposing no financial obligations on either party.

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5. Confidentiality, Intellectual Property Rights and Announcements

- Each party agrees to maintain full confidentiality of any information disclosed or made available by the other under this MoU. Neither party shall use or disclose the confidential information of the other except to the extent required to enable the performance of this MoU.
- Each party agrees to respect the Intellectual Property Rights of the other party. No 5.2 licenses of Intellectual Property Rights are granted under this MoU and all such rights are reserved to the owning party (and/or its licensors, if applicable).
- In this context "confidential information" means any information disclosed by a party to 5.3 another that has been designated in writing as confidential or that ought to be considered as confidential including information which relates to research outputs, developments, trade secrets and Intellectual Property Rights.

The Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) between the Department of Microbiology and Biotechnology, The Madura College, Madurai and Golden Jubilee Biotech Park for Women Society is executed and effective from 01.01.2022.

> CA S. Natanagopal Secretary

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In witness thereof

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