# Memorandum of Understanding

#### between

# Central University of Punjab, Bathinda-151302, Punjab

## and

# Guru Kashi University, Talwandi Sabo-151005, Punjab

This Memorandum of Understanding is executed on July 19, 2022 by and between Central University of Punjab, Bathinda and Guru Kashi University, Sardulgarh Road, Talwandi Sabo-151302, Punjab.

#### Party I

Central University of Punjab (hereinafter referred to as CUP), has been established in 2009 by an Act of Parliament (Act No 25, of 2009). Central University of Punjab is accredited 'A' grade in 2016 in first accreditation cycle by NAAC and has secured 95th, 87th, 84th and 81th rank in the year 2019, 2020, 2021 and 2022 respectively in the University category of NIRF. It has state of the art facilities for research in different domains.

#### AND

# Party II

Guru Kashi University (GKU) (herein after referred to as GKU), has been founded by Balaji Education Trust, Talwandi Sabo which was established in 1997 and became the foundation stone for education in this region. The University has always believed to be on the path of growth and has proved the same over the time. Guru Kashi University was established by Punjab Act No. 37 of 2011. The College of Agriculture of GKU has been accredited by ICAR, New Delhi (2020) and Punjab Council for Agriculture Research (2021) for five years.

## This Memorandum of Understanding between CUP and GKU envisages the following:

- The academic bonding shall be based on the principles of mutual respect, cooperation and sharing between the two parties as equal partners.
- Both the parties shall organize online/offline lectures, workshops, trainings, meetings and other such programmes aimed at capacity building of the faculty members of both the partner institutes. The visits of faculties/students will be facilitated for this purpose.
- The teachers and researchers of both the partner institutes shall be engaged in collaborative research activities and as co-investigators in the projects submitted to funding agencies.
- Joint research publications by teachers/researchers of the partner institutes shall be encouraged.
- Library resources shall be shared by the students of both universities and faculty for capacity building and for improvement of their teaching and research skills.
- To forge mutually beneficial linkages through various platforms so as to initiate, assist and boost innovation activities.
- Ownership of any intellectual property(IP) (including but not limited to confidential information, know-how, copyrights, design rights, rights related to computer software and any other industrial or intellectual property rights) developed jointly during the tenure of this MoU shall be vested in both parties. The partner institutes shall have the joint right to determine the commercial exploitation and disposition of such IP. The partner institutes shall make joint applications for the registration of the same. Before any registration or commercialization of any IP takes place, the partner institutes agree to reach a separate understanding on revenue sharing, if any. Any publication regarding such IP shall only be possible with the prior written consent of both partners. GKU and CUP shall be free to use perpetually the results arising out of the collaborating activities for its own internal teaching, research, educational, clinical and publication purposes without the payment of royalties or other emoluments to the each other.
- Planning and facilitating faculty and students exchange for educational and research purpose.

- Joint conduct of training programs in cutting-edge technology area by faculty of CUP and GKU.
- To provide exposure to identified research facilities available as laboratories of each party.

### **DURATION OF AGREEMENT**

This MoU shall be in force for a period of three years from the date of signing. Renewal of / amendments to the MoU will be on mutually agreed terms between CUP and GKU signed on 19th day of July two thousand and twenty-two (2022).

Registrar

Guru Kashi University

Talwandi Sabo, Bathinda

Registrar

Central University of Punjab

Ghudda, Bathinda

in the presence of

Vice Chancellor

Guru Kashi University

Talwandi Sabo, Bathinda

Vice Chancellor

Central University of Punjab

Ghudda, Bathinda