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Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) between Delhi Pharmaceutical Sciences and Research University (DPSRU) and Central University of Punjab (CU Punjab) for collaborative academic and research engagement

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

Between

Delhi Pharmaceutical Sciences and Research University (DPSRU), New Delhi And

Central University of Punjab (CU Punjab), Bathinda

This Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) is entered into on this 12 day of November, 2025, by and between:

Delhi Pharmaceutical Sciences and Research University (DPSRU), a statutory university established by the Government of NCT of Delhi, having its campus at Pushp Vihar, New Delhi – 110017, hereinafter referred to as "**DPSRU**";

And

Central University of Punjab (CU Punjab), a Central University established by an Act of Parliament, having its campus at Ghudda, Bathinda, Punjab – 151401, hereinafter referred to as "**CU Punjab**";

Collectively referred to as the "Parties" and individually as a "Party".

Preamble

This MoU is executed in the spirit of mutual cooperation to facilitate collaborative academic and research engagements between DPSRU and CU Punjab.

Introduction of Institutions

Delhi Pharmaceutical Sciences and Research University (DPSRU): Delhi Pharmaceutical Sciences and Research University (DPSRU), established in 2015 by the Government of NCT of Delhi, is India's first dedicated pharmaceutical sciences university. Recognized for academic and research excellence, DPSRU ranks 19th nationally in the 2025 NIRF (Pharmacy category) and comprises 14 departments, over 90 faculty members, and approximately 2,600 students. The university is actively engaged in interdisciplinary research, particularly in pharmacology, pharmaceutical chemistry, molecular biology, and translational medicine. It has published over 600 research papers in the past five years, secured ₹20 crore in research funding, and holds seven national patents. DPSRU maintains advanced laboratory facilities and supports collaborative research through faculty and student exchange programs, shared

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instrumentation, and joint grant applications. Faculty members are internationally recognized, including those listed in the top 2% global scientists (Stanford University) and fellows of the National Academy of Medical Sciences (NAMS).

Central University of Punjab (CUP): CUP was established in 2009 under the Act of Parliament in educationally backward areas throughout the country. It has 31 departments with 06 UG, 44 Masters' and 40 Ph.D. programs. The University has more than 2800 students in different academic programmes including international students from various parts of the world. The University is accredited with 'A' grade from NAAC in its second cycle. The University has secured a place in the top 100 in the NIRF rankings for six consecutive years, with 77th Rank in the University category in the 2025 NIRF Ranking. The University also secured 20th rank in Pharmacy. The University is ranked 601-800 band in 2026 Times Higher Education World Ranking. The University takes pride in its exceptionally qualified and committed faculty and staff. The University has a state-of-the-art Central Instrumentation Facility. Nine Departments of the University are DST-FIST supported. The University participates in IIC, ARIIA and MSME activities to foster the culture of innovation in the University. It also focuses on promoting and supporting student innovations and sustainable start-ups. The university has established DST's Nidhi i-TBI incubation centre for incubating business ideas leading to start-ups. Ministry of Skill Development & Entrepreneurship has recognized CU Punjab as a Deemed Awarding Body (Dual category) for imparting and certifying skill training as per NEP and NCrF. Additionally, Department of Biotechnology supported E-YUVA centre, and AICTE sponsored Idea Lab are being established in the University. The University is poised to emerge as a premier educational institution with state-of-the-art infrastructure, providing quality education and research in science and technology, as well as the humanities and social sciences.

1. Objectives of the MoU

The primary objectives of this collaboration include:

- 1.1 **Joint Research Projects**: To design and execute multi-disciplinary research in priority areas including, but not limited to, drug discovery, pharmacological modeling, natural product research, molecular diagnostics, and public health innovation.
- 1.2 Collaborative Publications and Grant Applications: To co-author high-impact publications and submit joint proposals to national and international funding agencies such as ANRF, ICMR, DBT, DST, SERB, and others.
- 1.3 **Infrastructure and Technical Resource Sharing**: To facilitate access to research infrastructure, instrumentation, and domain expertise available at both institutions.
- 1.4 **Faculty and Student Exchange**: To promote exchange of faculty and research scholars through internships, project fellowships, PhD co-supervision, and visiting lectureships.
- 1.5 **Joint Academic Events and Capacity Building**: To organize symposia, conferences, workshops, and training programs aimed at faculty development and student upskilling.

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1.6 **Focused Innovation Tracks**: To create thematic research clusters in emerging areas like pharmacogenomics, green chemistry, digital health, and translational biotechnology.

2. Governance and Implementation

- 2.1 A **Joint Coordination Committee (JCC)** shall be constituted with equal representation from both institutions to plan, implement, and monitor collaborative activities.
- 2.2 The JCC shall meet at least twice annually to review progress, address challenges, and strategize future goals.

3. Financial Considerations

- 3.1 This MoU does not entail any financial commitment unless expressly agreed upon in writing in specific project agreements.
- 3.2 Funding for collaborative projects shall be sought jointly through extramural grants or institutional mechanisms as appropriate.
- 3.3. The financial arrangements wherever if involved will be decided and approved after mutual consent and shall be agreed to for each activity individually on resource deployment, arrangements and mobilization will be planned vis-a-vis.

4. Intellectual Property Rights (IPR)

- 4.1 IPR arising out of joint research efforts shall be governed by mutual agreements executed on a case-by-case basis, in accordance with institutional, national, and international guidelines.
- 4.2. Both parties will take all necessary steps to protect the knowledge documents and Intellectual Properties generated during the process or shared by the parties.

5. Validity and Termination

- 5.1 This MoU shall remain in effect for a period of **five (5) years** from the date of signing and may be extended by mutual consent.
- 5.2 Either Party may terminate this MoU with a **90-day prior written notice**, subject to completion of ongoing collaborative activities or by mutual consent.

6. Dispute Resolution

Any disputes arising under this MoU shall be resolved amicably by the Joint Coordination Committee. In case of irreconcilable differences, the matter shall be referred to the Vice Chancellors of the respective institutions for final resolution.

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7. Miscellaneous

7.1 This MoU reflects the intent of the Parties to collaborate in good faith and does not create any binding legal obligations beyond the scope mentioned herein.

Signatories

For Delhi Pharmaceutical Sciences and Research University (DPSRU)

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Designation: Registrar

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