

# Memorandum of Understanding

Between



University of Kashmir  
Hazratbal, Srinagar-190006

University of Kashmir having its main campus at Hazratbal, Srinagar, Kashmir represented by Prof. Talat Ahmad, Vice-Chancellor, University of Kashmir, a University established under Kashmir & Jammu Universities Act-1969.

And



University of Ladakh

University of Ladakh (UOL) having its headquarters and Campuses in both Leh and Kargil represented by Prof. Surinder K. Mehta, Vice-Chancellor, University of Ladakh a University established on 16 December 2018 by The University of Ladakh

Act, 2018 (Governor Act No. LVI of 2018).

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University of Kashmir, Srinagar (UOKS): The University of Jammu & Kashmir was founded in 1948 and was bifurcated in 1969 into two full-fledged universities: University of Kashmir at Kashmir and University of Jammu at Jammu. The Main Campus of the University of Kashmir is situated at Hazratbal in Srinagar, North Campus at Baramullah and South Campus at Anantnag in Kashmir. One more campus at Kupwara is being established. The university is flanked by the world-famous Dal Lake on its eastern side and Nigeen Lake on the western side. The tranquil ambience of the campus provides the right kind of atmosphere for serious study and research.

The university offers programmes in all the major faculties; Arts, Commerce & Management Studies, Education, Law, Applied Sciences and Technology, Biological Sciences, Physical and Material Sciences, Social Sciences, Medicine, Dentistry, Engineering, Oriental Learning and Music & Fine Arts. It has been constantly introducing innovative/ new programmes to cater to the needs and demands of the students and the society. The University of Kashmir has been accredited as A+ University by the National Accreditation & Assessment Council (NAAC) of the University Grants Commission (UGC), India.

University of Ladakh (UOL), was established in 2019, as an initiative to promote quality higher education and to be the Premier University of the country, particularly in the UT of Ladakh. The UOL is the only Trans-Himalayan institute of higher learning and research. therefore, an institute of higher learning of its kind. It has its courses and research programs specific to the Himalayan, Trans Himalayan, and South and Central Asian region. not ordinarily available in other universities in India. The UOL has headquarters and Campuses in both Leh and Kargil to cater to the students passing out of various schools and colleges spread over more than sixty thousand square kilometers of the vast Ladakh region as well as students from outside Ladakh and India.

UOL, a state university has six constituent colleges of Ladakh associated with it. Its commitment to nation-building and unflinching adherence to universal human values as is reflected in its motto. The UOL with varied co-curriculum activities and modern infrastructure for running Post Graduate Courses in English, Sociology, Environmental Science, Geography, Urdu, Arabic, Botany, Commerce, Chemistry, Mathematics, Economics, Zoology, History, Political Science, Geology, Master of Computer Science (MCA), and Tour & Tourism Management (TTM) and conduct research studies on tribal Communities to impart training and proper orientation on tribal cultures and development.

The University of Kashmir, Srinagar and University of Ladakh sign this Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the objective of facilitating mutual cooperation, for the promotion of Academic Excellence in both the Institutions. The areas of collaboration shall be in the following areas:

#### Article-I (Academic/ Research Collaboration):

- a) The Universities shall collaborate and support, each other academically, by conducting joint academic activities for smooth and effective growth of their respective Departments/Centres/Courses.
- b) The Universities, shall collaborate with, each other, in the following fields for promotion of quality research work:
  - i) Undertake Joint Research Projects and allow joint supervision of research programmes (Ph. D.).
  - ii) Conduct conferences/workshops/seminars jointly where faculty members from the Universities would be encouraged to participate.

#### Article-2 (Faculty/ Student Exchange Programs):

- a) The Universities shall encourage/support faculty exchange programmes that are mutually beneficial and helpful for faculty members and the institutions.
- b) The Universities shall sponsor visits by faculty members for a brief period for interaction with teachers/scholars and for delivering extension lectures according to the details to be mutually agreed upon.
- c) The Universities shall encourage/ support exchange programmes for research scholars and other students to enable them to use infrastructural facilities available in each other's Universities and to interact/learn from experienced faculties at the Universities.
- d) The Universities shall allow scholars/students to attend classes/seminars in each other's Universities according to details that will be mutually agreed upon.
- e) The universities shall Promote and exchange the state of art information and other technology in distance online education mode.

#### Article-3 (Universities obligations):

- a) The Universities shall agree to provide access to the faculty/students to their libraries, archives, research laboratories and other facilities.
- b) The Universities shall agree to provide access to high-end instruments/ equipment to each other's faculty/scholars/students as and when desired.
- c) The Universities shall encourage faculty/scholars/students to visit each other's Universities for conducting research/talent promotion programmes/other academic activities.
- d) The Universities shall share with each other the knowledge/ information and publications/ magazines/ literature essential for the academic pursuit.

**Article-4 (Operationalization of the MOU):**

- a) The two Universities shall work together for effective implementation of this MOU.
- b) The Dean Academic Affairs, University of Kashmir and the Dean Academic Affairs, University of Ladakh shall coordinate the collaboration and other activities in their respective universities for effective implementation of this MOU.
- c) If any of the visiting student, scholar or faculty member commits any kind of impropriety at the host institute during the period of his/her visit, the facilities offered to him/her shall be immediately withdrawn and he/she shall be sent back to his/her parent institution. A report regarding the impropriety committed by the concerned shall be forwarded to his/her parent institution for initiating necessary disciplinary action against him/ her under rules;
- d) This MOU shall remain in force for a period of three years in the first instance and further extension shall be subject to review, based on the satisfaction of collaboration expressed by both parties and the need to enter into further collaboration. However, a university can terminate this MOU at any time giving three months notice to the other university.
- e) The MOU shall be effective from the date it is signed by the University of Kashmir, Srinagar and University of Ladakh.

**Disputes and termination of MOU:**

Either party may terminate the MoU, or a part thereof, any time during the term of three (3) years by giving three (3) months' notice to the other party.

  
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9/4/22

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Place: Leh