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MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MoU) FOR INSTITUTIONAL COLLABORATION BETWEEN Institute of Nano Science and Technology

And University of Ladakh

Preamble

Institute of Nano Science and Technology (hereinafter referred to as "INST"), Mohali is an autonomous research institute under Department of Science and Technology (DST), Government of India. INST is involved multidisciplinary research related to nanoscience and

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B. Experimental facility utilization

(i) In order to foster the research environment of UOL, INST will give 50% discount on the rates for utilization of its central instrument facilities (including central computational facilities) to UOL faculties.

(ii) Faculties desiring to apply for these facilities utilization time slots will have to write to the central instrument facility co-ordinator

(iii) INST will try to provide reasonable time slots to the requests received from UOL acuities. However, the allotment of time schedule for experimental facility utilization will be at complete discretion of INST. No explanation or claims for time allotment or access to the instrument from UOL will be entertained.

C. INST where possible and/or feasible shall try to provide guidance and/or assistance to UOL in developing courses related to nanoscience.

D. Joint research project Separate agreement must be executed with regard to specific project/work initiated in furtherance of this MOU. Financial and other obligations of both the institutions shall be as per that agreement.

E. Defining new areas of collaboration that have not been foreseen, but can be mutually beneficial: Separate agreement must be executed with regard to such collaboration in furtherance of this MOU. Financial and other obligations of both the institutions shall be as per that agreement.

Provisions:

a) The areas of cooperation may be revised by mutual consent. However, specific programs may require separate agreements detailed out and documented as annexures to this MoU.

b) Detailed modalities of individual forms of collaboration, activities associated with them and financial aspects of each shall be mutually agreed upon on a case by case basis, and specified, with all necessary details, in separate Agreements.

c) This MoU will not be legally & financially binding to any of the Parties. The two Parties will consult with each other and attempt to resolve disputes or misunderstanding that arises in the administration of this MoU or any subsequent associated Agreement informally.

Code of Conduct

Visiting student and faculty will abide by the codes of conduct of the host Institution.

Intellectual Property

(i) Any major finding arising during the internship program shall remain the intellectual property of INST, Mohali.

(ii) Intellectual property ownership for joint research projects will be governed by the terms and condition that must be agreed upon by signing corresponding project specific MOUs.

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nanotechnology. The institute aims to develop nanomaterials and create new fundamental understandings in nanoscience. INST is also promised towards outreach activities for creating broader societal impact in the field of education and research.

University of Ladakh (hereinafter referred to as "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.

The purpose of MoU is to establish an understanding of mutual cooperation between INST and UOL, for providing a common platform for deriving mutual advantages in their pursuit of higher learning in general and benefiting their respective students and faculties, by way of exposure to each other's programs, in particular.

Coordination

Director INST shall be the Coordinator from INST and the Vice Chancellor UOL shall be the Coordinator from UOL. The participants and Coordinators may change from time to time as decided by appropriate authority of the respective institutions.

Scope of Cooperation

The initially proposed activities within the scope of the current MoU are:

A. Internship for students

(i) An internship of maximum up to six months will be provided by INST to the postgraduate students of UOL.

(ii) These students shall have specialization in any of the following subjects: physics, chemistry, biology, microbiology, polymer chemistry, industrial chemistry, applied chemistry, material sciences and nanoscience.

(iii) The program will be conducted once in a year.

(iv) A maximum total number of students to intern each year will be 5

(v) INST will try best to provide the interning students with on-site hostel facility. The cost for the hostel facility has to be borne out by the interning students themselves. In case of non-availability of hostel, the students themselves will be responsible to rent accommodation outside.

(vi) INST shall not be responsible for the to and fro travel of the students from their parent institute to INST.

(viii) UOL will select the intern students based on their criterion of merit and send a list of the interning students along with their CV and a brief write up of research interests.



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Legal Status

This document is a statement of intent to foster genuine and mutually beneficial cooperation and is not legally binding on both the parties. Any disputes shall be resolved through mutual discussion.

Validity and Termination

This MoU is valid for an initial period of three years and becomes effective from the date it is signed by the partners. The partnership period may be extended by mutual consent.

This agreement may be terminated:

- a. on either party giving the other party 3 months' prior written notice;
- b. on written notice by one of the Parties if the other Party has committed a breach of this MoU.

However, specific commitments made prior to such intimation and not violating breach of this MoU shall be honored by both the partners including ensuring that any student at that time participating in the programme is able to complete the term of the assignment and be assessed for it.

Anitava Pato

Director, INST, Mohali

Date 09.08.22

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Vice Chancellor, LU, Ladakh

Date 9/8/2022

