

ISP Office Copy [25.06.2021]

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

between

Federal State Budgetary Educational Institution of Higher Education "Astrakhan State University"

and

St. Xavier's College (Autonomous), Kolkata.

Done at Astrakhan, Russia

«25th» JUNE 2021

Federal State Budgetary Educational Institution of Higher Education "Astrakhan State University", hereinafter referred to as "ASU", represented by its Rector Konstantin Markelov, Ph.D., acting on the basis of the Charter, on the one part, and St. Xavier's College (Autonomous), Kolkata, hereinafter referred to as "SXC", represented by its Principal, Rev. Dr. Dominic Savio, S. J., as the party of the second part, hereinafter together referred to as "the Parties", aspiring to extend international cooperation in the spheres of education and science, have hereby agreed as follows:

Article 1

The subject of the present Agreement is entering into cooperation in the fields of education and science between the Parties in the areas of mutual interest.

Article 2

The Agreement aims at establishing, extending, developing and strengthening ties between the Parties on the basis of different forms of cooperation and the Parties' experience and capacities.

Article 3

In order to implement the present Agreement, the Parties determine the following areas of cooperation:

- academic exchange of teachers, researchers, BA, MA and Ph.D. students;
- development and implementation of joint educational programmes, including double degree programmes, as well as curricula;
- implementation of joint research and developmental up-to-date activities;
- exchange of research data, publications, materials and knowledge;
- granting access to scientific centers and research laboratories of the Parties;
- publication of articles, reports and other research papers of academic staff, BA, MA and Ph.D. students in the Parties' periodicals;

- organization and holding of symposia, workshops, research-to-practice conferences, round table discussions, teleconferences, etc.;
- scientific supervision, consulting and opponency of theses of Ph.D. students and external doctoral candidates;
- other areas of cooperation that will be agreed upon by the Parties.

Article 4

The Parties agree that the best form of cooperation is establishment of direct contacts between the Parties in specific areas, based upon interests of a certain faculty, department or university in general.

The Parties agree that cooperation in the fields of education and science will be implemented on the basis of work programmes that will be signed by the Parties once the cooperation conditions and participants are agreed upon.

Details of the implementation of any particular faculty-related activity resulting from this Memorandum of Understanding shall be negotiated between the two institutions as such specific case may arise and will be outlined in a Supplementary Faculty Exchange Agreement (FEA) between the institutions.

Article 5

The Agreement Parties, as well as their affiliated (related) parties, employees and intermediaries may neither directly nor indirectly offer or pay out money or other objects of value to employees or representatives of the other Party in order to influence their actions and decisions on the Agreement or to gain other undue benefits from its implementation.

For the Agreement implementation, it is not allowed to carry out actions that may be qualified as giving / receiving a bribe, commercial bribery, misfeasance in office, as well as actions that violate the requirements of the legislation on counteraction of the legalization (laundering) of proceeds from crime and other corruption violations, both in relations between the Parties of the Agreement and in relations with third parties and state bodies.

In the event that a Party has a real reason to believe there is a possible violation of these requirements, it must notify the other Party in writing.

In case of the risk of corruption violation under the Agreement, the Party concerned should inform the other Party about the measures taken to eliminate these risks.

Article 6

Both parties will maintain the confidentiality of all Confidential Information of the disclosing party and will not disclose any Confidential Information to any employees or to any third party except on a need to know basis. Such confidentiality obligations are subject to applicable law and shall survive and continue beyond the expiration or termination of this Memorandum of Understanding.

"Confidential Information" means in respect of a party, all of that party's Intellectual Property and information relating to that party's private or business

affairs, including, without limitation, technical, financial, operational, administrative, marketing, economic and other information, which is disclosed by one party to the other party, its officers, employees, agents or sub-contractors.

Article 7

The implementation of the provisions of this Agreement does not oblige the Parties to allocate financial and material resources.

Each Party guarantees that it is not under obligations or restrictions and will not assume any obligations or restrictions that could prevent it from fulfilling its obligations under this Agreement, except for restrictions directly established by the law of the Parties.

Both parties acknowledge that construction and performance of this Memorandum of Understanding shall be governed by the laws of the respective countries.

Article 8

The Parties have a right to introduce modifications and amendments to the present Agreement by signing supplemental agreements.

This MOU shall become effective on the first day after both parties have signed the document, and shall remain in effect for a period of five (5) years from that date. It will be automatically renewed for further periods of equal time, if it is not rescinded by either party. Any necessary modifications or early termination of this MOU require written notice of six months in advance. In case this MOU ceases to be effective on account of termination, the provisions of all valid supplemental agreements shall continue to apply to the extent necessary to secure the implementation of existing activities as agreed upon in the supplemental agreements.

The present Agreement is concluded in two copies in English, having equal legal force. Each Party keeps one copy of the Agreement.

University contact person SXC: Dr. Panchali Sen, Dean, International Studies and Programmes.

University contact person ASU: Bocharnikova Irina, chief of the Project Office of International Cooperation and Development

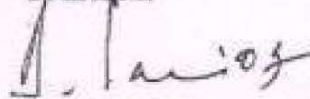
Astrakhan State University
Rector, Ph.D.



Konstantin Markelov

Address: Tatishcheva Str., 20a
414056, Astrakhan, Russia
Tel.: +7 (8512) 246-400

St.Xavier's College(Autonomous),Kolkata
Principal



Rev. Dr. Dominic Savio. S. J. *Principal*
St. Xavier's College
(Autonomous)

Address: 30 Mother Teresa Sarani, Kolkata
Kolkata, 700016, West Bengal, India
Tel.: (+91 33) 225-511-01