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MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MoU)

Between

Karnatak University, Dharwad (KUD)

and

National Institute of Technical Teachers' Training and Research (NITTR, Bhopal)

This MoU is made and entered into this 8th June 2023 by and between **Karnataka University**, Pavate Nagar, Dharwad 580003, represented by The Registrar, here in after referred to as the First Party,

And

National Institute of Technical Teachers' Training and Research (NITTR, Bhopal), Shanti Marg, Shyamla Hills, Bhopal, Madhya Pradesh 462003, represented by Director, here in after referred as the Second Party,

KUD and the NITTR, Bhopal are together referred to as the "Parties" and singly as Party".

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Background:

The Bombay legislature of the erstwhile Bombay Presidency established Karnatak University through the Karnatak University Act 1949. It became a statutory University on 1st March 1950. The jurisdiction of the University covers Dharwad. Gadag, Haveri and Uttar Kannada districts. It has several Post Graduate centers. The University (888 acres) is offering courses in the faculties of Arts, Commerce, Education, Law, Management, Science and Technology and Social Sciences. Symbolic of the University's vision and mission the emblem of the University consists of papal tree at the centre, an open book. Figures of a bull, a rising sun and the legend 'Arrive Guru' i.e., Wisdom is Guru, implying that both wisdom and knowledge should be all pervading like the ramifying pipal tree and light up the world with knowledge and eradicate illiteracy. There are 51 PG Departments, 154 teachers and 4500 students (PG, M.Phil., Ph.D.).

The University identifies the regional needs and overall development of students of this backward region of north Karnataka. A large number of students suffer from lack of communication skills and opportunities to develop their personality. The University has considered the region specific and community specific needs and has introduced (a) Computer Applications, (b) Environmental

problems and Human Rights, (c) Indian Constitution and (d) Development of Communication Skills and personality as compulsory papers at the UG level. Periodic ICT workshops are conducted for students and staff (teaching and non-teaching) to equip them with the skill to access and utilize electronic information. The central library is equipped with thousands of books on all subjects. Journals and educational CD-ROMs. The University is part of the UGC-INFONET which affords access to more than 5000 electronic journals for advanced study and research. A full-fledged Computer Centre has been set up in the Students Home. All the class rooms are equipped with modern teaching and learning aids including audio-visuals, slides and LCD projectors.

National Institute of Technical Teachers' Training and Research, Bhopal is a unique premier institution, established in 1965 by Ministry of Education, Government of India for teacher training and improving quality of entire gamut of Technical Education System. The Institute holds expertise through continuous R&D in the areas like development of specific competencies related to new technologies, subject matter development, classroom and laboratory based learning, industry institute internship, personality development, entrepreneurship development, examination reforms and student

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assessment, learning & instructional resources development, video production and multimedia development, educational projects planning & management, community development.

NITTTR, Bhopal has an excellent track record of introducing several new innovations in the technical education and has successfully implemented several time-bound and professionally challenging projects for varied clientele. In nineties, the Institute has successfully served the client States in implementing the highly acclaimed and successful World Bank Assisted Projects viz. Tech. Ed. I, II and III on 'Strengthening the Technician Education System.' The Institute has also been providing need-based customized support by conducting training program for TEQIP institutes under phase I, II and III.

NITTTR Bhopal has been in the involved in the implementation of many national initiatives. In recent past NITTTR, Bhopal is involved in offering MOOCs courses through SWAYAM platform. The Institute has been identified under the Pandit Madan Mohan Malviya National Mission on Teachers and Teaching as the Teaching Learning Centre (TLC) in Vocational Education, Training & Entrepreneurship Development. NITTTR Bhopal has also been selected as National Resource Centre (NRC) for Assessment & Evaluation in ARPIT Scheme. The institution has taken a lead in design and implementation of AICTE's National Initiative for Technical Teacher Training (NITTT) and National Mentoring Mission of National Education Policy-2020 by conducting the initial Orientation Training Programmes for Mentors. Looking to the present need, the institute has also been conducting webinar

series and online Programmes. In pursuit of excellence, NITTTR Bhopal has transformed itself over the years. NITTTR enjoys the status of a World Class Institute in the area of Human Resource Development. 'Quality' and 'Need-based' has become the key word to its functioning, which gets reflected in its services and resources. NITTTR Bhopal exhibits the ethos of client driven and competency-based approach in all its services.

The Registrar of Karnatak University, Dharwad and the Director of NITTR, Bhopal M.P have arrived at an agreement for mutual co-operation in Research, Training programmes, Sharing of Infrastructure & humanresources, Extension activities among both the institutions. Hence, this Memorandum of Understanding.

Article I

The Terms of Agreement are as follows:

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- 1. Prepare joint research projects, which are mutually beneficial for funding by various agencies/institutions in India and abroad.
- Design and conduct customized Certification / Short term courses in the areas of Digital media, Computer training, E-Content development, developing video resources, Communication and Personality development courses, Emotional intelligence Guidance counseling and Mentoring, courses on stressmanagement, Indian knowledge system etc
- 3. Exchanging resources, expertise in Developing MOOC platform, LMS, buildingeducational resources and any other online resource development etc.
- 4. Allow experts and students of both the institutions to deliver sessions and joint consultations in research, prepare project proposals, extension activities etc for the benefit of society in large on mutually agreeable terms.
- 5. Jointly work on developing new subjects, inclusive of new technologies, content development for academia on mutually agreeable terms.
- 6. Jointly organize, host and participate Management Development Programs, Seminars, and Conferences on mutually agreeable terms.
- 7. Design customized training programs for Govt, Non Govt organizations/institutions on mutually agreeable terms.
- 8. Collaborative work on research and publication of both student and faculty of both the parties.
- 9. Make available the facilities like library, research tools including USIC Lab of KUD etc. to the members of both the parties on mutually agreeable terms.
- 10. Jointly design and host TOT programs across both the states.
- 11. Allow academic resource exchanges between both the parties such as student exchange, internships etc.,
- 12. Organizing of awareness program, computer literacy programs, arranging exhibitions etc.in Both the parties' places/ states.
- 13. Training for Entrepreneurs and promoting and guiding startups.

Article II

 The MOU between both the parties may be supplemented by detailed work plans to be developed jointly which describe more specifically the activities to be carried out under this collaborative program.

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- The Parties shall consult with each other to determine the availability of resources for implementing the activities under this MoU and the most equitable way of meeting such expenditures, including joint fund-raising.
- Any Outcome of the Research in terms of Publications, funding, copyrights, patents and IPR
 can be shared based on the effort shall be used either or both the parties with due recognition
 of each parties' contribution.
- The benefits accrued or arising from this collaborative effort may be used by either or both the parties with due recognition of each party's contribution.

Article III

This agreement shall be in effect initially for a period of Five Years from the date on which this MOU is signed by both the parties and may be renewed thereafter, if mutually agreed. Either party may terminate the agreement by written notification sent to the competent authority of the institution; such notice must be received by either party, in Two months prior to the effective termination date. The agreement shall be subject to the Jurisdiction of the courts of Dharwad/Bhopal.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF BOTH THE PARTIES HAVE AFFIXED THEIR SIGNATURE TO THIS MOU WITH THE TRUE INTENT AND SPIRIT ON THIS DAY, MONTH AND YEAR MENTIONED ABOVE.

