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**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING**

**BETWEEN**

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**AND**

**CENTRE FOR EAST AND NORTH EASTERN REGIONAL STUDIES – KOLKATA (CENERS-K)**

**Introduction**

The Centre for East & North-Eastern Regional Studies, Kolkata (CENERS-K) and the \_\_\_\_\_, hereinafter referred to as the Parties, have agreed to sign the following memorandum for the purpose of furthering mutually beneficial cooperation between the Parties in particular, and, faculty and students of \_\_\_\_\_ and the members of CENERS-K, in general.

Exchanging information and opinions on topics related to political, economic, social and strategic studies, international relations, foreign policy, regional and inter regional development and other topics of common interest; promoting the scientific, academic and research level of the institutions; promoting and intensifying the interaction and mutual understanding between the Parties.

**Preamble**

CENERS-K established in July 2007, is an independent Thinking Body comprising of Researchers, interested in the study of Turbulence, Peace, Development, and Security in the Eastern Hemisphere . The areas of interest cover all of Eastern and Western Hemispheres, in General , and South and South East Asia, littoral countries of Indian Ocean, INDO-Pacific and Bay of Bengal, in particular. Within India, the focus is on Eastern, North Eastern States, and Union Territory of Andaman and Nicobar Islands.

\_\_\_\_\_, is a \_\_\_\_\_ UGC -recognised university established in \_\_\_\_\_ and located in \_\_\_\_\_. It offers a wide range of undergraduate, postgraduate and doctoral programs across disciplines such as engineering, humanities, media and social sciences. The institution emphasises research, interdisciplinary learning, global collaborations and industry - linked education, and has earned \_\_\_\_\_ accreditation for academic quality. The purpose of this MOU is to create a framework for collaboration between CENERS-K and \_\_\_\_\_ explore opportunities for collaborative projects for development of Region of Focus of the two organisations.

CENERS-K and \_\_\_\_\_ have now agreed to work in collaboration with the following purpose and objectives based on the given broad terms and conditions laid out in the following articles.

Article I

This Memorandum is a framework agreement which regulates the relations between the Parties in a general way.

The conditions for implementation and execution of this Memorandum will be defined in specific work program agreements between the Parties, which will regulate all other activities.

Any amendments to the present Memorandum proposed by either Party shall be agreed in writing within 60 days between both Parties, their authorised assignees/ representatives or successors.

The Parties will maintain regular dialogue and an exchange of information about their activities.

## Article II

The Parties will facilitate the exchange of their respective publications, scientific and research papers, periodicals, as well as other published materials on topics relevant to the issues of interest to both sides.

## Article III

Both parties may conduct research projects and other activities in relevant fields of mutual interest. CENERS-K and \_\_\_\_\_ will explore and prepare joint research proposals on same thrust areas. Technical activities and budget thereof shall be defined and mutually agreed between the two parties in writing before submitting such proposals.

If the outcome of a collaborative R&D project results into an intellectual property for which rights can be secured, by executing an agreement which will provide the terms for sharing of expenditure in securing such rights and income accrued through royalty, etc, on case-to-case basis, after mutual consultation. In case., any party does not want to be a party to the intellectual property, other Party shall be free to take appropriate decision. Both.CENERS-K and \_\_\_\_\_ will be free to independently carry out follow-up research on the work conducted under this MOU by informing the other party from within their own resources.

Specific terms and conditions related to any technical work to be carried out under the framework of this MOU shall be laid out and agreed upon in writing for issues related to that particular technical work.

Both parties shall maintain strict confidentiality and prevent disclosure of all the information and the data exchanged under the scope of this MOU for any purpose, other than an accordance with this MOU.

Each party shall bear the cost of the activities at its end, unless otherwise agreed upon in writing prior to undertaking a project.

#### Article IV

The parties will consult on the possibilities of conducting joint conferences, round tables, symposia, seminars, and other events on mutually interesting issues and collaborate in their execution as mutually agreed in each case. Such activities could also be organised with the participation of third parties. The parties may also participate in or contribute to events organised by third parties.

#### Article V

The Parties will facilitate the exchange of experts and researchers by mutual agreement. The financial burden for exchange of scholars will be shared in the following manner. The sending party will bear the cost of domestic and international travel of their researchers, while appropriate local accommodation, hospitality, and local transport will be provided by the host Party for a mutually agreed period.

#### Article VI

Each party shall provide a list of its office bearers and the members to the other party who will be authorised by their respective institutes to interact with each other. \_\_\_\_\_ shall publicise CENERS-K literature, and information in its magazines, newsletters and through other means of their existing media between its members, faculty, and students, as well as other associates after having obtained concurrence/clearance from each other, as the case may be. Likewise, CENERS-K will publicise literature and other information provided by \_\_\_\_\_ by uploading the same on its website, and also after peer review and acceptance, publish the same in the CALCUTTA JOURNAL OF GLOBAL AFFAIRS.

#### Article VII

\_\_\_\_\_ will permit CENERS-K to hold seminars, panel discussions, workshops, and conclaves on their premises by making available their Auditorium and lecture halls, when such spaces are free from scheduled programmes and curricular activities of the Institute. CENERS-K Will provide details of each scheduled event to \_\_\_\_\_ at least two months in advance to enable \_\_\_\_\_ to examine whether the event can be scheduled without

interrupting the Institutions academic programmes. No rent or hiring charges will be levied by \_\_\_\_\_ for providing infrastructure space.

\_\_\_\_\_ will allow its guest houses/ suites / rooms, to be booked for boarding and lodging of foreign and out of town delegates of CENERS -K, whenever such delegates are invited for joint seminars and other academic activities. The expenses for boarding and lodging will be shared equally between both parties.

Both parties will draw up a calendar of EVENTS to be conducted in partnership, during the academic year, in consultation with each other, to enable advance planning with regard to sharing of responsibilities for conducting the event by each Party.

#### Article VIII

The present memorandum shall enter into force from the date of signature by the two parties and shall be valid for a period of two years, which maybe extended through mutual agreement in writing. The progress of work and outcome of this MOU will be monitored annually by a review committee constituted as given below:-

President CENERS-K as Chairman

Head of Establishment of \_\_\_\_\_ as Co-Chairman

One representative each from both parties.

#### Article IX

This MOU will be governed by and interpreted in accordance with the laws of the Republic of India as well as the state government of West Bengal. The conditions set forth here in can be modified by mutual consent of CENERS-K and \_\_\_\_\_ in writing.

This memorandum is done in English language in two originals, each original being on the letterhead of their respective institution, and both of which will be deemed authentic.

Either Party may withdraw from this MOU upon furnishing three months notice in writing to each other without ascertaining or giving any reasons whatsoever.

#### Article X

Any disagreement or dispute arising between the two parties on the basis of this agreement shall be resolved by mutual consultation, followed, if necessary, by arbitration, conducted by a mutually acceptable third-party, whose decision shall be binding on both to the extent permitted by the prevailing law of the land.

Article XI

Either party can opt out of the MOU without giving no reasons by giving three months notice to the other party. In such circumstances, scheduled events already agreed to for the calendar year will be honoured.

Done at KOLKATA on the -----day of ----- in the common era year 2026 in the English language in two originals, both of which shall be deemed authentic.

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On behalf of the institution.

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Head of Establishment

Date:

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On behalf of the institution.

CENERS-K

President

Date: