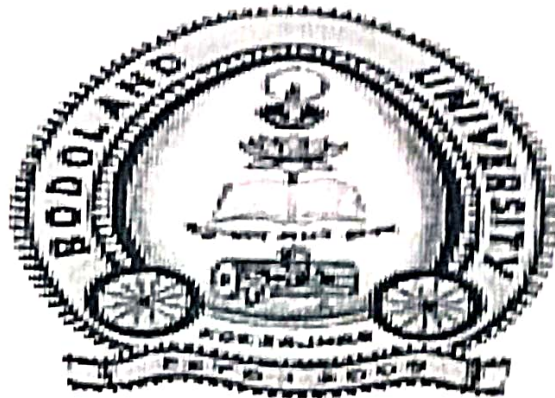


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Preamble:

This Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) is made on this 20th day of July, 2024, between the Department of Bodo, Bodoland University, hereinafter referred to as "BDBU," and the Department of Bodo, Barama College, Barama, hereinafter referred to as "BCB," collectively referred to as "Parties."

Objective: The primary objective of this MoU is to foster collaboration between the Parties in the areas of academic development activities and areas of mutually beneficial programs, training among the student, collaboration in the field of Research, faculty exchange programs, to establish close linkage and functional coordination and to promote cordial relationship between the two institutions to enhance educational atmosphere.

Scope of Collaboration:

The areas of cooperation include, subject to mutual consent, any program offered at either institution as felt desirable and feasible on either side and that both sides feel can contribute to the fostering and development of the cooperative relationship between the two institutions.

1. Academic Exchange:

- i. Both Parties agree to exchange academic materials, research publications, and information.
- ii. Joint seminars, workshops, and conferences will be organized to promote collaborative research and knowledge sharing on regular basis and come up with joint publications of conference volumes and books.
- iii. Joint organize capacity enhancement program, specially addressing research needs of young scholars and students.
- iv. Joint arrange special lectures by scholars of national and international repute on annual basis.

2. Student Exchange:

- i. Opportunities for students from BCB to attend courses, participate in research projects, and gain practical experience at Bodo Department, BU, and vice versa.
- ii. Joint supervision of student research projects and these will be encouraged.

3. Faculty Exchange:

- i. Faculty members from both institutions will be encouraged to participate in teaching, research, and professional development activities at the partner institution.
- ii. Collaborative research projects and publications between faculty members of both institutions will be promoted and encouraged.

Operational aspects and Implementation:

1. Coordination:

- i. Each institution will designate a coordinator to oversee the implementation and progress of the educational exchange programs. Both the parties will nominate or designate one nodal officer or coordinator (not below the rank of Assistant Professor) from respective institutions for smooth conduct of the program and facilitate implementation of any or all agreement arising out of this MoU.
 - ii. Regular meetings and communication between nodal officers or coordinators will be conducted to ensure smooth execution of the MoU activities.
2. Dispute Resolution: Any dispute regarding the interpretation or application of this MoU will be resolved amicably in good faith through mutual consultations between the parties and based on the principles of mutual understanding and respect.
3. Non-Disclosure of Confidential Information: All information and/or data that may be exchanged, acquired and shared in connection with the areas of collaboration/cooperation between the parties pursuant to this MOU shall be treated as strictly confidential and shall not under any circumstances be divulged to any third party without the prior written consent of the other party unless otherwise the same has already been in the public domain through no action or fault of the either party. This obligation shall continue to bind the parties hereto notwithstanding the termination of this MOU. Neither party shall use the information of the other party except to the extent required to enable the performance of this MoU.
4. Force Majeure: Neither party shall be held responsible for non-fulfilment of their respective obligation under this MoU due to the exigency of one or more of the force earthquakes, strike, lockout, epidemics, etc. If the majeure conditions continue beyond six months, the parties shall then mutually decide about the future course of action.
5. Intellectual Property Rights (IPR): Ownership of Intellectual property jointly conceived and/or developed by the parties shall be decided upon through separate agreement/MoU between the parties. Intellectual property solely conceived and/or developed by any party during the course of this MoU shall be exclusively owned by that party.
6. Legal Liability: This MoU shall be construed as a statement of purpose to promote a genuine and mutually beneficial collaboration between the parties. Nothing in this MoU shall be constructed to create any legally binding liability between the parties for any damages including any special, incidental, consequential, or indirect damages arising from any claims arising out of this MoU.
7. Applicable Law: In case any clause of this MoU has the effect of overriding or standing in contrary to any other prevailing law that is applicable to the parties for the time being in force in India, then the existing and relevant Act, Rule, or Regulation shall prevail over such clause(s) of this MoU.
8. Jurisdiction: The Courts of Assam shall have exclusives jurisdiction in all matters arising under this MoU.
9. Funding:
 - i. The financial responsibilities for the exchange programs will be shared by both institutions or as mutually agreed upon for specific activities.

ii. Efforts will be made to seek external funding and grants to support the collaborative initiatives for seminars and workshop.

iii) There will be no financial obligations on both the parties under this MOU.

10. Duration and Termination:

i. This MoU will remain in effect for a period of three years from the date of signing.

ii. Either Party may terminate this MoU by providing written notice of six months in advance.

11. Amendments:

i. Any amendments to this MoU must be made in writing and signed by authorized representatives of both institutions.

Signatories: This MoU is executed in three copies, with each Party retaining one copy.

For Bodoland University, Kokrajhar:

For Barama College, Barama:

Vice-Chancellor,
Bodoland University
Kokrajhar

Principal,

Bodoland University, Kokrajhar

Barama College, Barama

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