# Memorandum of Understanding on Exchange of Students/Staff/Faculty

#### Between

# Namboodiris College of Teacher Education, Irinjalakuda, Thrissur, Kerala, India

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## Christ College (Autonomous), Irinjalakuda, Thrissur, Kerala, India

This Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) is effective as of 08th July 2021 to establish an affiliation by and between

Namboodiris College of Teacher Education, Irinjalakuda, Thrissur, Kerala, India, a self financing teachers training college, affiliated to the University of Calicut, hereinafter referred to as NCTE, of the first part.

#### And

Christ College (Autonomous), Irinjalakuda, an arts and science college hereinafter referred to as CCI, of the second part, for the purpose of exchange of faculty, staff and students

The aforesaid institutions are hereinafter referred to individually as institute and collectively as institutes.

#### Preamble

WHEREAS, NCTE and CCI have many areas of common interest in arts, science, teacher training (pedagogy), considerable advantage may be gained from their pursuit on a collaborative basis in the fields of academics, education and research.

NOW THEREFORE, NCTE and CCI have decided to enter into this Memorandum of Understanding (hereinafter referred to as MoU), which defines the framework for the cooperation of the two institutions set out in the following sections.

#### Objective

Both Institutes agree to develop the following collaborative activities in the academic areas of mutual interest, on a basis of equality and reciprocity.

The two institutions shall seek to promote Faculty/Staff Exchanges

- The exchange of faculty to the mutual benefit of both institutions,
- Collaboration in teaching, research and consultancy studies in the field of mutual interest,
- The exchange of academic materials and publications,
- Conducting lectures,
- Undertaking joint research,

- Attachment of staff for purposes of curriculum development and review, attendance of courses, upgrading of teaching and research skills,
- Participating in seminars, symposiums, and other types of academic discussions,
- Co-supervising post-graduate students.

A specific plan will be worked out for each activity; setting forth detailed arrangements for collaboration will be agreed. Terms and conditions for each visit or an assignment or such exchange, will be worked out between the institutes.

### Student Exchange

NCTE and CCI agree that student exchange will be guided by principles listed below:

A home institution refers to the institution where a student is a full-time student, and from where he/she is expected to graduate. A host institution refers to an institution that receives a student for a brief period of time to undertake a pre-determined programme of study or research.

- Exchange students will be selected by mutual agreement between the home institution and the host institution.
- His/her programme/course of study at the host institution will be determined by mutual consultation between his/her academic advisor at the home institution and his/her "interim" academic advisor identified by the host institution.
- The host institution will evaluate an exchange student's performance in each course or module, award a letter grade or marks, and issue a letter to that effect.
- NCTE and CCI agree to provide suitable accommodation for student exchange.
- To avail travel expenses, students can apply for existing funding programs at their respective home institution.
- The exchange students will pay tuition and other fees at their home institution.
- The exchange can be either online or offline.

#### Other Areas:

- to exchange information on research and educational programs,
- to exchange information on teaching, learning material and other literature relevant to their educational and research programs,
- to jointly organize short-term continuing education programs on topics of mutual interest and to invite each other's faculty to participate therein,
- to organize jointly seminars, conferences, or workshops on topics of mutual interest and to invite each other's faculty to participate therein,
- to propose and engage jointly in research or training programs sponsored by funding agencies, and to invite each other's faculty to participate therein,
- to exchange, on a reciprocal basis, students at Undergraduate, Graduate and Doctoral levels for limited periods of time for purpose of education and /or research,
- to use laboratory facilities in specific cases for a limited period,
- to permit students, staff and faculty members to use library facility.

NCTE and CCI agree that detailed terms and conditions that guide each activity identified above will be determined separately and agreed upon by the two institutions. These terms shall include a technical description of the proposed activity, financial arrangements, and person(s) responsible for its implementation.

#### Coordination

Each institution shall appoint two members of its teaching/research faculty to coordinate the programme on its behalf. Further, a coordination committee consisting of a programme coordinator from the side of NCTE, and a programme coordinator from the side of CCI, will periodically review and identify ways to strengthen cooperation between the two institutions.

Ownership of any intellectual property (including but not limited to confidential information, know-how, patents, copyrights, design rights, rights relating to computer software, and any other industrial or intellectual property rights) developed jointly during the course of this MOU shall be vested in both institutes to this Memorandum.

### Validity

The Memorandum shall remain in force for a period of One year commencing from effective date. Institutions may extend the term by written agreement signed by both after review. Either institution may terminate the MoU by giving written notice of Three months in advance to the other institution. Once terminated, neither NCTE and CCI will be responsible for any losses, financial or otherwise, which the other institutions may suffer. However, NCTE and CCI will ensure that the provisions of this Memorandum shall continue to apply to all activities in progress until their completion.

This MoU may be amended or modified by a written agreement signed by the representatives of both institutes. Participating faculties, staff and students involved in any activities under this Memorandum must adhere to the law and rules and regulations of the institutions. Nothing in this Memorandum shall be construed as creating any legal relationship between the institutes. This Memorandum is a statement of intent to foster genuine and mutually beneficial collaboration. In case, there be a dispute relating to any aspect of academic cooperation, Principal, NCTE and CCI will jointly resolve the dispute in a spirit of independence, mutual respect, and shared responsibility.

NCTE and CCI welcome the establishment of this Memorandum for cooperation and jointly

agree to the provisions as set out above.

Signed for NCTE PRINCIPAL

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