MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MoU)

Between

All India Council for Technical Education, New Delhi

And

IIT, Ropar(Punjab)

24th February, 2020
This Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) is effective for a period of three years from 24/02/2020 to 23/02/2023 to establish an affiliation by and between ALL INDIA COUNCIL FOR TECHNICAL EDUCATION (AICTE), statutory body established by an Act of Parliament (52 of 1987) under Ministry of Human Resource Development, Government of India for the purpose of planning, promotion and regulation of Technical education system in the country hereinafter referred to as AICTE, of the FIRST PART and Indian Institute of Technology, Ropar, an institute of India that is focused on education & research in science and technology, established under an Act of the Parliament of the Republic of India, having its office at Ropar, India hereinafter referred to as IIT, Ropar, of the SECOND PART, for the purpose of enhancing skill of students through internships.

Preamble
WHEREAS, AICTE and IIT Ropar have many areas of common interest in Engineering and Sciences, considerable advantage may be gained from their pursuit on a collaborative basis in the fields of academics, education and research. Hence, AICTE and IIT Ropar 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.

ARTICLE 1: OBJECTIVE
Both Institutes agree to develop the following collaborative activities in the academic areas of mutual interest, on the basis of equality and reciprocity.

A. IIT Ropar
- IIT Ropar to enroll 100 Interns (in batches as per suitability) under its Non-Degree Student Programme from students of Jammu & Kashmir.
- IIT Ropar will work out the detailed programme with popular science lectures from distinguished faculty from IIT Ropar as well as outside of IIT Ropar apart from research interactions and visit to laboratories. Centre for Educational Technology (CET) will also demonstrate them model experiments in physics and chemistry.
• Yoga and meditation classes / sports events / group physical activities for the willing students will be organized in the morning/evening.
• The interns may start their internships from 10th May 2020 - 10th July 2020 or any dates as per mutual consultation between IIT Ropar and J&K Higher Education Department.
• The internships will be in the field of research primarily.
• The internships will be done under various professors of IIT Ropar.
• The accommodation and food arrangements for these interns will be made in the various hostels of IIT Ropar.

B. AICTE
• AICTE will make arrangements for the to and fro train travel of the students.
• The selection of the students will be purely based on merit and will be done via AICTE’s internship portal.

ARTICLE 2: COORDINATION
Each organization shall appoint one member of its teaching/research faculty/officer to coordinate the programme on its behalf. Further, a coordination committee consisting of a programme coordinator from the side of AICTE, and a programme coordinator from the side of IIT Ropar, will periodically review and identify ways to strengthen cooperation between the two institutions.

ARTICLE 3: CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION
AICTE and IIT Ropar do not absolve any confidential information during the research activity.

ARTICLE 4: INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY RIGHTS
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. Both organizations shall have the joint right to determine the commercial exploitation and disposition of such intellectual
property, and both organizations shall make joint applications for the registration of the same. Before any registration or commercialization of any intellectual property takes place, the institutes agree to reach a separate agreement covering issues such as exploitation rights and revenue sharing. Any publication regarding such intellectual property shall only be possible with the prior written consent of both organizations, such consent not to be unreasonably withheld.

ARTICLE 5: VALIDITY
The Memorandum shall remain in force for a period of three years commencing from effective date. Institutions may extend the term by written agreement signed by both after review.

ARTICLE 6: TERMINATION
Either institution may terminate the MoU by giving written notice of six months in advance to the other institution. Once terminated, neither, AICTE nor IIT Ropar will be responsible for any losses, financial or otherwise, which the other institutions may suffer. However, AICTE and IIT Ropar will ensure that the provisions of this Memorandum shall continue to apply to all activities in progress until their completion.

ARTICLE 7: AMENDMENTS/MODIFICATIONS
This MoU may be amended or modified by a written agreement signed by the representatives of both institutes.

ARTICLE 8: ADHERENCE TO LAWS
Participating faculties, staff and students involved in any activities under this Memorandum must adhere to the law of the host countries and rules and regulations of the institutions.

ARTICLE 9: LEGAL EFFECT
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.
ARTICLE 10: DISPUTE RESOLUTION

In case, there be a dispute relating to any aspect of academic cooperation, Chairman, AICTE and Director, IIT Ropar will jointly resolve the dispute in a spirit of independence, mutual respect, and shared responsibility. AICTE and IIT Ropar welcome the establishment of this Memorandum for cooperation and jointly agree to the provisions as set out above.

All India Council for Technical Education, New Delhi

By: Prof. Anil D Sahasrabudhe
Title: Chairman

Indian Institute of Technology, Ropar

By: Prof Sarit K. Das
Title: Director

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