Memorandum of Understanding

Between

CII - Indian Green Building Council

(CII-IGBC)

And

All India Council for Technical Education

(AICTE)

Date: 04th June, 2022
This **MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING** ("MOU") is entered into with AICTE located at Nelson Mandela Marg, Vasant Kunj, New Delhi-110070, India, to be effective from 04th June, 2022 by and between:

Confederation of Indian Industry is registered under Section 25 of Companies Act, 1956 having its registered office at The Mantosh Sondhi Centre, 23, Institutional Area, Lodi Road, New Delhi - 110 003 and Corporate Office at CII - Sohrabji Godrej Green Business Centre, Survey # 64, Kothaguda Post, R R District, Hyderabad, India, of the **FIRST PARTY**:

AND

All India Council for Technical Education, established under the AICTE Act, (52 of 1987), having its Registered Office at Nelson Mandela Marg, Vasant Kunj, New Delhi-110070, India, (hereinafter referred in short as AICTE)" (which term shall unless expressly excluded by or is repugnant to the context, shall include its successors and assigns) of the **SECOND PARTY**; together with First Party known as parties.

WHEREAS Confederation of Indian Industry (CII) is a non-government, not-for-profit, industry-led, and industry-managed organization, playing a proactive role in India’s development process. CII works to create and sustain an environment conducive to the development of India, partnering industry, Government, and civil society, through advisory and consultative processes. The **Indian Green Building Council (IGBC)**, which is part of CII, was formed in the year 2001. The vision of the council is to “Enable sustainable built environment for all and make India one of the global leaders in sustainable built environment by 2025”.

AND WHEREAS AICTE is constituted with a view of proper planning and coordinated development of a technical education system throughout India, the promotion of qualitative improvements of such education in relation to planned quantitative growth, and regulation & proper maintenance of norms and standards in the technical education system and for the matters connected therewith.

AND WHEREAS the parties, through professional interactions and collaboration seek to bring in a holistic qualitative enhancement in technical education in India and enter into this
agreement to establish a strategic partnership in the areas given in more details in the succeeding paragraphs.

Preamble and Objectives:
The Green Building movement is growing faster in the country and has created enormous demand for the trained professionals for design, construction, operation, and maintenance of Green Buildings. Apart from building sector, the building products & materials manufacturing industry and technology suppliers are also looking for professionals who are trained in green building concepts to offer services for the green building sector.

In order to meet the growing demand of trained professionals in the construction and product manufacturing industry, IGBC has launched the **Green Education Program**.

As part of IGBC Green Education programme, the council has been working with Universities and Education Institutions in training Architectural and Engineering students on Green concepts. IGBC has more than 320 student chapters in engineering and architectural colleges across the country and engage students’ community in the Green Building movement. IGBC’s vision is to enable India to have the largest pool of trained professionals in Green Built Environment by 2025.

**Objective of MoU:**
AICTE and CII IGBC to work together in introducing green concepts in Architectural and Engineering curriculum and enable education institutions to develop industry ready professionals trained on green concepts.

**Strategic Collaboration (Objectives, Scope & Outcome)**

**Action Plan & Road Map:**

- Develop Course Content with support of stakeholders
- Take consensus from AICTE
- Introduce Courses on Sustainability as part of curriculum
- Train-the-trainers Programme (Faculty) & Accreditation to Faculty
CII-IGBC and AICTE, under this MOU, shall collaborate towards (not limited to):

- Offer ‘Practical & Industry Oriented Course’ on ‘Green Built Environment’ for Architecture, Civil, Mechanical, Structural, Environmental, Materials, Environmental and Computer Science Engineering. The curriculum would be developed by IGBC with the support of industry. AICTE shall validate the curriculum and make improvements or changes, if any in consultation with IGBC.

  The course shall be considered for duration of 45 hrs for VI semester & above UG students. At the end of course, the students are also recommended to take internship with green building project/ consultant for period of one month to enhance their understanding with practical exposure.

- Enable education institutions to train and develop students to become Industry ready. Faculties would be trained through AICTE faculty development programmes for conducting the courses.

- Jointly recognize the qualified faculty as ‘Accredited Faculty’ and students as ‘Accredited professional – Associate’. The certificates issued for the qualified faculty and students will have logos of both AICTE and CII-IGBC.

- Facilitate Industry - academia linkage and other related activities as found appropriate by both the parties.

Definitive Agreement: There will be no financial obligation on the part of AICTE for implementation of this MoU. Any cost associated with the execution of the objectives of this MOU, if any, shall be mutually discussed and agreed to between the parties in a definitive agreement, prior to carrying out the activity.

Term and Termination: The term of this MoU shall be for a period of THREE YEARS from the date of execution, unless terminated earlier by a written notice of thirty (30) days by a Party seeking such termination to the other Party, hereto. However, all commitments and obligations till the date of termination will be honored by both the parties.
Neither party shall assign or transfer the privileges and obligations under this MOU without the prior written consent of the other party.

**Governing Law:** This MoU shall be governed by and shall be construed in accordance with the laws of India and the competent Courts in New Delhi, India shall have the exclusive interpretational, injunctive and supervisory jurisdiction over the disputes arising out of this MoU.

**Dispute Resolution:** Any dispute or difference arising out of or relating to or touching upon this MoU shall be amicably settled by discussion between the authorized representatives of Parties, failing which such dispute or difference shall be resolved through Arbitration before a Sole arbitrator mutually agreed between the Parties. The arbitration shall be conducted in accordance with the Arbitration and Conciliation Act, 1996 read with Arbitration and Conciliation (amendment) Act 2015 and 2019 and/or any modifications thereof. The seat & venue of arbitration shall be at New Delhi and language shall be English.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF,** the parties hereto have executed this MOU on this 04th day of June, 2022 at New Delhi.

For and on behalf of
AICTE, New Delhi

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For and on behalf of
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Witnesses: