Memorandum of Understanding

Between

All India Council for Technical Education

(AICTE)

And

Indian Plumbing Association

(IPA)

Friday, April 15th, 2022
This Memorandum of Understanding signed on Friday, April 15th, 2022 at Goa.

by and between

All India Council for Technical Education a national-level apex advisory body for technical education, having its office at Vasant Kunj, Nelson Mandela Marg, New Delhi 110 070 (hereinafter referred to as “AICTE”, which expression shall unless it be repugnant to the context and/or meaning thereof mean and include its successors-in-interest and permitted assigns) of the FIRST PART.

And

Indian Plumbing Association, a not-for-profit society registered under Societies Registration Act 1860, having its office at 416, DLF Prime Towers, F-79 & 80, Okhla Phase-1, New Delhi 110020 (hereinafter referred to as “IPA”, which expression shall unless it be repugnant to the context and/or meaning thereof mean and include its constituted attorney and successors and permitted assigns) of the SECOND PART.

IPA and AICTE shall hereinafter individually be referred to as “Party” and collectively as “Parties”. For Propagating Education in Plumbing (Water and Sanitation) all over India.

Whereas, IPA as an apex body of plumbing and building professionals, is committed to redefining plumbing standards and give status to the subject of plumbing it deserves;

Whereas, one of IPA’s initiative is to educate and conduct training on attributes of good and correct plumbing practices to engineers and architects and the students of these disciplines;

Whereas IPA wishes to expand its education and training initiative through various professional associations and educational institutions.

Whereas, with the aim to propagate good plumbing practices in all technical institutions all over India, the IPA approached the AICTE for joint initiative;

Whereas, the AICTE has assured all possible cooperation in IPA’s initiative.

In view of the above, the Parties are now desirous of laying down the terms and conditions of cooperation between IPA and AICTE for Propagating Education and training in Plumbing all over India.

NOW AND THEREFORE THE PARTIES HERETO MUTUALLY AGREE TO WORK TOGETHER AS FOLLOWS:

- Offer a 4-credit course on ‘Plumbing’ (Water and Sanitation) for students studying Engineering, Architecture or Interior Designs or graduates having ‘Major’ degree in Civil, Environmental and Mechanical Engineering, Architecture or Interior Designing.
This course would be one part of the proposed Full MEP course as a 'Minor' degree, to be developed in future. The other courses in fire, HVAC and Electrical shall be developed by other concerned professional associations.

The Curriculum, National Occupational Standards (NOS) and Qualification Packs (QP) of the course in Plumbing (Water and Sanitation) course would be developed by IPA with the support of industry and vetted by the AICTE.

IPA will develop related course material including PowerPoint presentations and videos.

IPA and AICTE will advise all education institutions under AICTE to adopt Plumbing (Water and Sanitation) course in their institution to train and develop students to become Industry ready.

IPA will train Institutions’ Faculty (Train the Trainer) through AICTE’s faculty development programmes for conducting the Plumbing course. Training may be on-line or off-line.

Parties hereby agree to jointly recognize the qualified and trained faculty as ‘Accredited Trainer in Plumbing’ (ATP).

Parties hereby agree to jointly certify successful students.

Parties hereby agree to encourage the Institutions to develop a demonstrative Plumbing Lab and Workshop in coordination with IPA in their premises.

Parties hereby agree to facilitate Industry-Academia linkage and other related activities as found appropriate by both the parties.

Financials

There is no financial commitment as part of this MoU on either side. IPA will raise funds from industry for development activities, conducting development programmes and offering certifications.

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.

Changes

Alterations or modifications to this MoU may arise during the course of the program and any such changes shall be mutually discussed and agreed upon in writing by both parties. No
changes or additions hereof to this MoU shall be binding on either party unless set forth in writing and executed by the respective duly authorized representative of both parties.

Liability

Both parties agree that they are not liable to each other, or any other party not entering into the said MoU, for any damages including any special, incidental, consequential, or indirect damages arising from any claims arising out of this MoU.

Compliances

Each Party agrees to perform its activities in compliance with all applicable statutes and regulations that are in force at that time or as revised from time to time.

Dispute Resolution

Any and all disagreements / differences / disputes arising hereunder shall be resolved amicably by the designated senior executives / officers of the good offices of both Parties. This MoU contains the entire understanding between the Parties hereto and supersedes all prior arrangements, understandings and agreements, written or oral, on the subject hereof. Any part of this MoU which is not enforceable due to any reason whatsoever will be deemed to be inoperative and the rest of the MoU will continue to be valid and binding on the Parties hereto. IN WITNESS THEREOF, the parties have set and subscribed their names hereinto on the day and year first hereinabove written.

Signed and delivered by the within named
All India Council for Technical Education,
by the hands of

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\text{Dr. Anil D. Sahasrabudhe} \\
\text{Chairman, AICTE}
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Signed and delivered by the within named
Indian Plumbing Association, by the hands of

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\text{Mr. Gurmit Singh Arora,} \\
\text{National President, IPA}
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Witness:

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\text{Subhash Deshpande} \\
\text{B.O. Prasanna Kumar}
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