



Memorandum of Understanding

Between

All India Council for Technical Education

AND

Youth4Jobs Foundation, Hyderabad

Date: 16th November, 2023

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AND

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Whereas it has been the concern of both the parties to facilitate the youth with disability with job opportunities, self-employment and to mentor them from unemployment to meaningful employment. Both the parties are committed to the cause of PwD's and believe that there is a large scope for each one of them to work together on this project and hence have come to this understanding to leverage on each other strength in improving the livelihood of people with disabilities.

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URL: - www.swarajability.org

The objectives of this MoU

The aim of this agreement is to provide market linked training and placement support to students who are with disabilities

The collaboration will focus on:

- Disability awareness among the educators, educational institutions, employers and community.
- Advocate and support disability inclusion in higher education and employment.
- Free of cost job-linked training to students who are with benchmark disabilities as per RPWD act 2016.
- Free of cost placement support to all the trainees of this project.

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In pursuance thereof, the organizations have decided to sign a MOU in writing their roles and responsibilities towards fulfilling the above said objectives

The Roles of both the parties shall be as follows:

First Party		Second Party
Support in mobilization of undergraduates, graduates and alumni students with disabilities by spreading the word or connecting the team with AICTE approved universities, colleges and institutions Introduce Swaraj Ability to all colleges/universities/institutions approved by AICTE so that PwD candidates can register themselves To support and participate in the activities of the programs/events To attend review meetings with the team and offer suggestions To chalk out a joint plan for sensitizing the campus staff and PwD students Ensuring periodic follow ups with the second party	•	Mobilization of PwD students with support of AICTE To provide free of cost training and placement support to students with disabilities To create more internships and job opportunities for PwD students To organise career guidance and parent counselling workshops To provide information regarding the candidate progress and ensuring periodic follow ups with the first party To organise awareness workshops for the educators, employers and the educational institution for disability inclusion. To provide trainers, sign language interpreters and coordinators for successful implementation of the project

Jointly both the parties will:

- Cooperate in guidance and intervention in the research activities in the field of disability studies and rehabilitation
- Facilitate research activities, publication and consultancy between both institutions
- Mutual collaboration of both institutions in a continuous quality improvement process

Term and Renewal:

The agreement will take effect from the date of its signing and shall be valid for 03 years from that date unless sooner terminated, revoked or modified by mutual written agreement between the two parties and may be extended by mutual written agreement. This agreement may be terminated by either party giving one month written advance notice to the other, if required. Both the organizations shall not use the logo, emblem or brand name of either in their advertisements, pamphlets or brochures or websites without the written permission from the authorised signatories of each organization.

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Resolution of Disputes: Both the parties agree to resolve any differences or disputes arising from this agreement by mutual discussions.

Legality and Ethics: Both parties agree to observe highest standards of legality and ethics.

All the terms and conditions of this MoU are subject to the approval of the various bodies of the AICTE and Youth4Jobs Foundation and the provisions of the Rules and Regulations of the AICTE and Youth4Jobs Foundation.

The parties are at liberty to amend the clause under this agreement by mutual consent. This Memorandum of Understanding shall not be considered as the partnership and/or joint venture and or creating relationship of agency between the parties hereto.

Both the parties are not financially liable for any of the activities or outcomes of the project. Also, there are no financial transactions between the two parties and between second party and the PwD students.

Dispute Resolution: If there is any difference of opinion between the parties in regard to any clause of this MoU, then it shall be resolved amicably between the representatives nominated by good offices of both the parties through the process of negotiation. In case the dispute is not resolved, then it shall be referred to the Chairman, AICTE and the Head of the opposite party for amicable settlement.

The parties affirm to know, understand, and agree to all articles of this MoU as discussed together. IN WITNESS WHEREOF, each of the PARTIES hereto has caused this agreement to be duly executed by a duly authorized representative of such party as of the date and the year written below

This Memorandum of Understanding will be effective from the day of signature dated on.

For and on behalf of AICTE, New Delhi

(Prof. Rajive Kumar)

Member Secretary, AICTE

For and on behalf of Youth4Jobs Foundation, Hyderabad

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