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MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

Between

ITM University,

NH-44, Bypass Turari, Jhansi Road, Gwalior-475001 (M.P.), (INDIA)

and

ICAR-Indian Institute of Soybean Research (IISR),

Khandwa Road, Indore-452001 (M.P.), India

ITM University, NH-44, Bypass Turari, Jhansi Road, Gwalior-475001 (M.P.), (INDIA) (hereinafter referred to as "ITM University/ First Party"), represented by the Vice Chancellor, ITM University, NH-44, Bypass Turari, Jhansi Road, Gwalior-475001 (M.P.), (INDIA).

and

ICAR-Indian Institute of Soybean Research (IISR), Khandwa Road, Indore-452001 (M.P.), India (hereinafter referred to as "ICAR-IISR/ Second Party"/), ICAR Institute, represented by the Director, Indian Institute of Soybean Research (IISR), Khandwa Road, Indore-452001 (M.P.), India.

To promote Academic and Research cooperation between the two Institutes.

(Signature of First Party)

VICE-CHANCELLOR
ITM UNIVERSITY
Gwalior (M.P.)

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This MoU was agreed upon and entered into on this ----day of the month of-----in the year 2024 between ITM University and ICAR-IISR.

I. Preamble

ITM University, Gwalior

ITM University has been established by the Act of the State Legislature, M.P. and is notified in the Official Gazette (extraordinary) of the State Government after having received the assent of His Excellency the Governor of M.P. ITM University is sponsored by Samata Lok Sansthan, a registered charitable Trust and imparts quality education in various disciplines, viz., agriculture, engineering and technology, life sciences, computer applications, management, nursing, education, etc., at the U.G., P.G., and Doctoral levels. The School of Agriculture at the ITM University has been accredited by ICAR since 2019.

ICAR-Indian Institute of Soybean Research (IISR) Khandwa Road, Indore-452001 (M.P.), India

ICAR-IISR, a national Institute under the administrative control of the Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR), is mandated to basic, strategic and adaptive research on soybean for improving productivity and quality, provide access to information, knowledge and genetic material to develop improved technology and enhance soybean production, coordination of applied research to develop location specific varieties and technologies, and dissemination of technology and capacity building.

II. Mandate

To undertake research, training and extension education programmes for improving quantity and quality of soybean and to develop processing technologies of pulse products.

ITM University and ICAR-IISR recognize each other's strengths in research and educational capabilities in the field of Agriculture too. This is therefore an opportunity for ITM University and ICAR-IISR to work together synergistically based on their complementary objectives to exchange common facilities with a common understanding. Both parties agreed to protect their common interests by protecting their basic mandates.

Ill. Common Interest and Agreement

After studying the strengths of each other, ITM University and ICAR-IISR have agreed that they can share the mutual expertise available at both ends for benefits in the fields of Education, training and scientific research. Both entities enter into a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU). As per the feasibility of the present situation and the facilities available, certain broad areas and programmes have been identified for mutual collaboration.

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VICE-CHANCELLOR ITM UNIVERSITY Gwalior (M.P.) 1. Crop improvement: Plant Breeding, Genetics, Cytogenesis, Biotechnology, Seed Technology and Biochemistry.

2. Crop production: Agronomy, Microbiology, Soil Science, Crop physiology, Farm machinery and power, Computer Application and Statistics.

3. Crop protection: Entomology and Plant Pathology.

1. Objectives/Goal:

The aims and objectives of the MoU are the mutual exchange of technical specialization in the areas listed under item number III. The goal of this MoU between ITM University and ICARIISR is to foster collaborative training and research programmes to provide advancement in scientific knowledge for the benefit of society at large.

2. Responsibilities:

A) ITM University will render its support to ICAR-IISR in the following aspects:

Whereas, ITM University shall recognize ICAR-IISR and its proposed specific disciplines, divisions, and departments as centers of excellence for conducting research work for postgraduate and doctoral students.

Whereas, ITM University shall provide facilities (laboratories and library etc.) for conducting research work by the students, jointly sharing the cost and Intellectual

Property Rights.

Whereas, faculty, scientists and research fellows at ICAR-IISR may be allowed to register for the doctoral programme for the award of a doctoral degree from ITM University in the subject or field as per the Ordinances for Ph.D.

- Whereas, ITM University shall undertake the entire work in respect of the candidates, including the synopsis, acknowledging submission of the thesis, deciding examiners from Indian Institutions, dispatching the thesis to examiners, timely receipt of reports, issue of a provisional certificate and any other work related to the proper submission and award of the final degree as per the Ph.D. Ordinance.
- whereas no change of supervisor or co-supervisor shall ordinarily be allowed. A change of supervisor and/or co-supervisor may be allowed on account of the supervisor and/or co-supervisor leaving the institution, his or her death, being unapproachable, being unwilling to continue to supervise the candidate, or any other circumstances necessitating such a change. The provisions relating to the change of supervisor shall be governed by the Ph.D. Ordinance.
- A copy of the accepted thesis will be forwarded to the ICAR-IISR Library for record.

B) ICAR-IISR will render its support to ITM University in the following aspects □ Postgraduate and Ph.D. students registered in ITM University will be allowed to carry out their research work at ICAR-IISR in limited numbers with an approved programme as per the mandate of ICAR-IISR and as per the availability of facilities to be decided by the competent authority of ICAR-IISR.

Scientists will allocate thesis work from the ongoing ICAR-IISR projects with the consent of the project PI and workers, as well as the funding agencies.

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- The guide and co-guide will be decided in consultation with the competent authority of ICAR-IISR. For those students who will work at ICAR-IISR, scientists from ICARIISR shall be the major guide.
- Students working at ICAR-IISR will have to pay the fees as per the ICAR guidelines.

C) Joint responsibilities

- Whereas faculty members and scientists of ITM University and ICAR-IISR may undertake collaborative research programmes as per ICAR guidelines in related
- Whereas faculty members and scientists of ITM University and ICAR-IISR may submit research projects with mutual consent through the proper channel for mutual funding.
- Faculty members and scientists at ITM University and ICAR-IISR agree to obtain approval from their respective authorities, Ethics committees and the Institute Technology Management Unit (ITMU) centre on related matters of bio-safety, IPR, etc. □ IPR issues shall be addressed as per ICAR guidelines.
- A periodic meeting of the students' supervisor will be held for regular review of work either at the premises of ITM University or ICAR-IISR.

3. Exchange of research-based Scientific and Technical materials

Exchange of research-based materials or in relation to other concerned areas imposed by the

Govt. of India shall be enforceable along with all other statutory requirements. Both ITM University and ICAR-IISR agree to explore ways to share teaching and learning materials and other relevant literature, subject to institutional policy.

4. Funding and Financial Liabilities

The activities carried out under this MoU will be financially supported by the respective institutions separately and, as mentioned, by funding agencies permitting joint research. No party will be financially liable for any claim or interest against another party for any activities undertaken under this MoU.

5. Amendment, tenure and termination

This MoU can be amended only by written consent duly signed by the signatories or their successor. The MoU between the said ITM University and ICAR-IISR will come into force after getting approval from the competent authorities, including signatories or their successors. The parties acknowledge and agree to fulfill requirements and to undertake all activities identified under this MoU. This MoU becomes effective on the date signed by both parties and will be valid for five years, which may be extended for a period suited to both parties. Any party may cease its cooperation under this MoU by providing six months written notice to the other party.

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7. Arbitration Clause

This MoU is a statement of the parties' intent to cooperate and is not legally binding upon the parties under any circumstances whatsoever. This MoU does not create legally enforceable rights, claims, interests, duties, or obligations in favour of either of the parties as against the other party.

8. Duration of the MOU

The duration of the MoU shall be five years from the date of signing. The MoU shall stand renewed automatically unless desired otherwise by either or both parties. In witness whereof the undersigned, duly authorized there to have signed this MoU on this day of the month, year.

Signature

Date

Name

Vice Chancellor

ITM University, Gwalior

Place: NH-44, Bypass Turari, Jhansi

Road, Gwalior-475001 (M.P.), India

Signature

Name Director

Name

ICAR-IISR, Indore

Place: Khandwa Road, Indore-452001

Witness one

m. P. Sharna

(M.P.), India

Witness one

Signature

Date

Designation /

Witness two

Signature

Name Or, Shyam Alowh Designation Geom JCP

Gwalior (M.P.)

Witness two

Signature MSRahfah

Designation Pr. scientist

Date 03.06.2024
Name Milind Ramparkhe
Designation Principal scientist

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