



MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

BETWEEN

GARGI COLLEGE (NAAC ACCREDITED A+), UNIVERSITY OF DELHI, INDIA

AND

INSTITUTE OF HUMAN BEHAVIOUR AND ALLIED SCIENCES (IHBAS), DELHI, INDIA

APRIL, 2023

ABOUT INSTITUTE OF HUMAN BEHAVIOUR AND ALLIED SCIENCES (IHBAS) - Institute of Human Behaviour & Allied Sciences (IHBAS) was established in 1993 and is an autonomous body registered under the Societies Act 1860, funded jointly by Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Government of India and Government of NCT of Delhi. As an autonomous body, the institute has its Memorandum of Association and Rules and Regulations duly approved under the Societies Act. Minister for Health, Govt. of NCT of Delhi is the President and Chief Secretary, Govt. of NCT of Delhi is the Chairman of the Executive Council of the institute. Prof. Rajinder K. Dhamija is the current director of the institution.

ABOUT GARGI COLLEGE (NAAC Accredited A+) - Gargi College was established in the year 1967 and is a leading South Campus college of the University of Delhi. It is a college for women and offers education in Arts and Humanities, Commerce, Science and Education. Gargi College was named after an enlightened woman named Gargi, figuring in the Brihadaranyaka Upanishada of the Vedic Age. Gargi College, one of the two colleges in Delhi to have been awarded the prestigious College with a Potential for Excellence grant, by the University Grants Commission in the year 2004-2005, was chosen because of its holistic approach towards teaching and its excellent track record in academic and other aspects of college functioning. College is known for its innovation and experimentation in the undergraduate programme, using modern methods of learning and evaluation. Prof. Sangeeta Bhatia is the current Principal of the college.

TERMS OF ENGAGEMENT

IHBAS and Gargi College shall be henceforth referred as a "Party" and collectively as the "Parties" or "partner institutes". The overall objective of this MoU shall be to facilitate academic vigour, disciplinary applications, evidence-based research, community outreach and training and mutually benefitting engagements between the partner institutes. The Parties agree as follows:

Whereas, both the Parties share mutual objectives calling for the advancement of the disciplines catered to, in the interest of the community; and

Whereas, both organizations affirm their commitment towards growth and progression in the academic and applied aspects of the disciplines; and

Whereas, mutual concerns make it likely that occasions for joint efforts, collaborations, cooperation, consultation will present themselves in the years to come;

Therefore, the Parties will seek to identify engagements, activities and projects that will lead to mutually beneficial outcomes and greater enrichment for both the organizations. Some of the proposed engagements are as under:

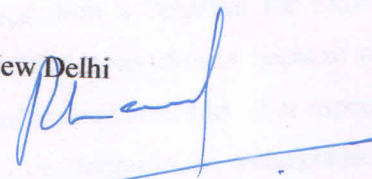
- I. **Breadth of engagement-** The partner institutes shall endeavour to engage at all levels where they could mutually benefit each other as well as the larger community. The thrust areas of engagement shall be as follows:
 - a. **Academic Lectures, faculty exchange and workshops-** The partner institutes shall engage in regular exchange of academic resources in the form of offline/online lectures, dedicated topic discussions, faculty development and training programs & workshops for the faculty members and students.
 - b. **Research collaboration-** The partner institutes shall facilitate opportunities for research collaborations and funding opportunities among faculty members across disciplines.
 - c. **Internship Opportunities and field visits for students-** Academic touring opportunities, including internship opportunities and field visits for students shall be facilitated by the Parties to help meet individual institutional goals of the institutes.



- d. **Modules for students and Add on courses-** Online and offline modules shall be developed in collaboration with the faculty members across the institutions that will help in disseminating knowledge and in skills training for the students across disciplines.
- e. **Institutional Review Board & Ethics Committee-** The second party shall also expect to utilize the institutional Review Board of the first institute to vet their research proposals and acquire additional rigor in their research initiatives.
- f. **Community outreach initiatives-** The institutes shall collaborate towards community outreach initiatives.
- II. **Duration-** It is intended that the collaboration shall continue for three years and with the consent of the engaged parties, it may be extended further based on merit and outcomes of the previous association.
- III. **Financial liability-** The institutes shall have no financial obligations towards each other for the above said initiatives.
- IV. **Disclaimer-** The MoU is intended to be an expression of general understanding and intention of the partner institutes. The Parties shall make earnest effort to carry out the tasks undertaken in this MoU. However, it shall not be an agreement enforceable in a court of law. 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.

Signed on behalf of:

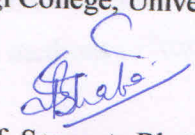
IHBAS, New Delhi


Prof. Rajinder K. Dhamija

Designation- Director,

27th April, 2023

Gargi College, University of Delhi


Prof. Sangeeta Bhatia

Designation-Principal (Offg.)

27th April, 2023