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This Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) is made between the CCS Haryana Agricultural University having its office at Hisar, Haryana-125004 India, established as a result of reorganization of the erstwhile Punjab Agricultural University, through a Presidential Ordinance, later ratified as 16th Act of Parliament i.e. the Haryana and Punjab Agricultural Universities Act of 1970, (hereinafter called "CCSHAU") of the one part, and the Agriculture University, Kota (hereinafter called "AU, Kota") of the other part;

WHEREAS the CCSHAU, aims at imparting education in agriculture, agricultural engineering, home science and other allied sciences; furthering the advancement of learning and research, particularly in agriculture and allied sciences; and undertaking the extension of such sciences to the rural people

AND WHEREAS the Agriculture University, Kota (AU, Kota) came into existence on September 14, 2013 through promulgation of government of Rajasthan act No. 22 of 2013. This has been done in view of wide variations in physiography including crops, cropping patterns, climate, soil characteristics etc., in the largest state of the country and gives new fill up to the location specific programmes for south eastern Rajasthan.

NOW THEREFORE, the CCSHAU and AU, Kota inspired by their common objectives to promote and accelerate the progress of research, education and training in various disciplines of agricultural research;

HAVE decided to enter into this MoU and agree as herein contained:

ARTICLE-I Objectives

The Parties hereby agree to promote cooperation in the field:

- (i) Exchange of faculty, students and staff.
- (ii) Exchange of scientific literature, information and methodology;
- (iii) Use of scientific equipment as available and required in programme of common interest as may be mutually agreed upon.
- (iv) Development and implementation of collaborative research projects, the areas and methodology to be as mutually agreed upon and subject to IPR clause in Article V.
- (v) Involvement of PG research scholars in the areas of mutual interest.

Such cooperation shall be implemented by the following means:

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- (i) Establishment of mutual relation between the scientific and technical divisions of the organizations of the respective Parties;
- (ii) creation of facilities for exchange of scientific, technologists and experts and their proper placement;

ARTICLE-II Implementation and Scope

- (i) The CCSHAU and AU, KOTA may name any member of their staff to work out the practical details of cooperation between the two organizations and in general to ensure proper and effective implementation of this MoU.
- (ii) There shall be an exchange of students for academic, research and training purposes. Accommodation in the Hostel shall be arranged, wherever possible, as per extant rates. The duration of exchange visits will be determined by mutual consent between both the parties.

ARTICLE -III Management

A joint Advisory Committee may be constituted for monitoring of the progress of different activities under this MoU.

The Advisory Committee will meet at least once in a year alternatively in the institutions of the First party and the Second party to review the activities. This meeting shall include presentation on the academic and research activities, which should be open to the students.

ARTICLE-IV Work Plans

This MoU will be implemented through development of biennial Work Plans to be developed jointly, which describe specifically the activities to be carried out under this Cooperative Programme and which set forth the intended contributions of each party. These Work Plans may originate from either party but will require the approval of both the Parties for implementation.

ARTICLE-V Publication & Intellectual Property Rights

General clauses:

- (i) Each Party will ensure appropriate protection of Intellectual Property Rights generated from cooperation pursuant to this MoU, consistent with their respective laws, rules and regulations and international/national agreements to which both parties are committed.
- (ii) In case research is carried out solely and separately by one Party or the research results are obtained through the sole and separate effort of one Party, the Party concerned alone will apply for grant of IPR and once granted, the IPR will be solely owned by the concerned Party.

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- (iii) In case of research results obtained through joint activities, the grant of intellectual property rights will be sought by both Parties jointly and once granted these rights will be jointly owned by the Parties.
- (iv) The Parties shall not assign any rights and obligations arising out of the IPR generated to inventions/activities carried out under the MoU to any third party without the consent of the other Party.

Commercialization:

In case of research results obtained through joint activities under this MoU both the CCSHAU and the AU, Kota will apply as co-applicants for the protection of intellectual property rights subject to exclusive rights of both the parties to commercialize the technology in their respective States/ Counties. Commercialization in any other country shall be done jointly through a separate agreement.

Publication:

(i) Any publication, document and/or paper arising out of joint work conducted by the Parties pursuant to this MoU will be jointly owned. The use of the name, logo and/or official emblem of the Parties on any publication, document and/or paper will require prior permission of both the Parties. It may however be ensured that the official emblem and logo is not misused. (ii)The student would invariably be the senior author for the publications arising out of the research work conducted at the CCSHAU/AU, Kota, followed by Major Guide/Advisor and Co-Major Advisor/Co-Guide in that order. The names of additional co-authors, depending upon their contribution in the research work, may be decided by mutual consent between the student and Major Guide/Advisor.

Confidential Information:

- (i) All information and documents to be exchanged pursuant to this Memorandum of Understanding will be kept confidential by the Parties and will be used subject to such terms as each Party may specify. A Party will not use the information for purposes other than that specified without the prior written consent of the other Party.
- (ii) All Confidential Information shall remain the exclusive property of the disclosing Party. The Parties agree that the disclosure of the Confidential Information do not grant or imply any license, interest or right to the Recipient in respect to any intellectual property right of the other Party.

Unpublished information, whether oral, in writing or otherwise, discovered or conceived by the scientists or technicians and exchanged under the provisions of this MoU will not be transmitted to a third party. unless otherwise agreed by the Parties.

ARTICLE--VI

Admission and Fee

- (i) The criterion for allocation of Co-Major Advisor from AU, Kota and CCSHAU will primarily be governed by the intellectual input of the scientist from AU, Kota and CCSHAU. It may be decided by mutual consent, keeping in view the MoU signed between the partnering institutions.
- (ii) Admission of the students and the award of degrees for different programmes will be the responsibility of the CCSHAU and AU, Kota as per the rules and regulation.

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ARTICLE--VII

Disclosure of Information

- a. CCSHAU and AU, Kota agree that except for a Court Order requiring disclosure, neither shall disclose to any third party without the written consent of the other, any information made available to the Parties, in the performance of work and/or generated by the performance of work, under this Agreement, except information which at the date hereof was:
 - (i) in the public domain
 - (ii) known to either prior to the date hereof as evidenced by written documents subsequently.
- b. All data generated through this Memorandum of Understanding with assistance by CCSHAU from AU, Kota work programme shall be subject to explicit written approval signed by AU, Kota before publication of same by CCSHAU.
- c. All data generated through this Memorandum of Understanding with assistance by AU, Kota from CCSHAU's work programme shall be subject to explicit written approval signed by CCSHAU before publication of same by AU, Kota.

The provisions in this Article shall survive termination or completion of the Memorandum of Understanding.

ARTICLE--VIII Amendments

The Parties to this MoU may, by mutual consent, add, modify, amend or delete any words, phrases, sentences or Articles in this MoU.

ARTICLE-IX Institutional Links

Both Parties will establish inter-institutional links between their respective similar scientific research institutes and centers.

ARTICLE-X Joint Working Group

A Joint Working Group will be set up with representatives from both Parties to meet once in two years alternately in Hisar and Kota to follow up the execution of this MoU and suggest necessary measures for its development.

ARTICLE-XI

Financial Arrangements

In the case of exchange of faculty, students and staff for study visits on the basis of reciprocity, the sending Party shall meet the to- and fro- travel costs whereas the receiving side shall meet the costs of board, lodging and internal transport.

For Training and consultancy of faculty, financial arrangement shall be decided by mutual consent of both the Parties.

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ARTICLE -XII Validity/ Termination

The MoU shall be effective from the date of its signing by both the Parties. It shall be valid for a period of five years. Thereafter it shall be automatically renewed for a period of five years unless either Party serves notice on the other of its intention to terminate it, in which event, the Memorandum of Understanding shall stand terminated at the end of three calendar month from the date of issue of such a notice. But the termination of this Memorandum of Understanding shall not affect the validity or duration of specific collaborative programmes already being undertaken thereunder, unless decided otherwise by the Parties by mutual consent.

The two Parties hereunto have signed this Memorandum of Understanding on the dates indicated below-

FOR AND ON BEHALF OF CCS HARYANA AGRICULTURAL UNIVERSITY, Hisar

FOR AND ON BEHALFOF AGRICULTURE UNIVERSITY, **KOTA**

(Prof. B.R. Kamboj) Vice Chancellor, CCS Haryana Agricultural

University, Hisar

Place: Kota

Dated: 5-8-2025

(Dr. Abhay Kumar Vyas)

Vice Chancellor,

Agriculture University, Kota

Dated:... 5-08-2025

Dejace 5.3.2025 (Dr. S. K. Jain)

Director Research,