MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING Academic and Research Collaboration

Between

INDIAN INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY HYDERABAD And GOKARAJU RANGARAJU INSTITUTE OF ENGINEERING AND TECHNOLOGY

This MoU is entered into on the 13 July 2023 between Indian Institute of Technology Hyderabad (hereinafter called IITH) situated at Kandi, Sangareddy, Telangana, an Institute of National Importance established by special act of Parliament of Republic of India.

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Gokaraju Rangaraju Institute of Engineering and Technology (hereinafter called GRIET), an autonomous Engineering college affiliated to JNTUH and recognized by AICTE, New Delhi.

The aforesaid institutions are hereinafter referred to individually as institute and collectively as institutes.

1. Objectives of the MoU:

The objective of this MoU is to explore the possibilities in the following aspects:

- 1.1 To provide advice for improving technical education, academic research and continuing education activities at GRIET.
- 1.2 To mentor and encourage faculty and students at GRIET in academic activities in mutually agreeable areas of interest.
- 1.3 To exchange information on research and academics between IITH and GRIET in mutually agreeable areas of interest.

2. Areas of collaboration:

- 2.1 A continuing Quality Improvement Programme to improve quality of teaching faculty at GRIET through short-term/long-term user-oriented certificate courses at IITH based on mutually agreeable terms.
- 2.2 Faculty of IITH could also be allowed to interact with GRIET for necessary guidance/mentoring in academic activities based on mutually convenient terms.
- 2.3 Explore the possibility to provide academic interaction by delivering lectures to students at GRIET
- 2.4 Provide necessary guidance in organizing Workshops/Conferences and customized Faculty Development Programmes at GRIET for enhancement of professional skills of Faculty and students of GRIET.

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- 2.5 Visiting and utilizing academic infrastructure and their latest facilities of research in IITH by student and faculty members of GRIET based on mutually agreeable terms and conditions. Similarly extend facilities at GRIET to IITH faculty and students.
- 2.6 To allow the applications for summer internship training for students of GRIET at IITH for BTech III year students. In this matter, final selection will be done based on the existing protocols of IITH.
- 2.7 Mentoring and guidance for academic infrastructure development at GRIET.
- 2.8 Joint supervision of research scholars and support for part time PhD for GRIET faculty in mutually agreeable scopes, terms and conditions.
- 2.9 Mentoring and guidance for students, non-teaching and faculty members at different Centres and Incubators of IITH in mutually agreeable scopes, terms and conditions.

3. Proposed modes of collaboration:

IITH and GRIET propose to collaborate on the following based on mutually agreeable terms and conditions:

- 3.1 Cooperation and promotion of education and training in emerging areas.
- 3.2 Any other appropriate mode of interaction agreed by IITH and GRIET.

A specific plan will be worked out by the Institutes depending upon availability of resources. A specific agreement will be entered into for each activity, if necessary.

4. Terms and Conditions:

- 4.1 The expenses incurred in development of academic infrastructure at GRIET will be borne by GRIET.
- 4.2 The financial arrangements for continuing education to GRIET teachers and students will be made on mutually agreeable terms. This will be fully funded by GRIET.
- 4.3 Travel and other expenses of IITH Faculty for the visits related to advice and mentoring, shall be reimbursed by GRIET
- 4.4 The faculty members and students of GRIET will be granted permission to visit IITH library and other facilities based on mutually agreeable scopes, terms and conditions.
- 4.5 This MoU may be amended, renewed and terminated by mutual written agreements of the Institutes at any time.

5. Confidentiality:

- 5.1 IITH and GRIET agree to hold in confidence all information/data designated by the Institutes as being confidential which is obtained from either institute or created during the execution of MoU and will not disclose to any third party without written consent of other Institute.
- 5.2 The above confidential clause under this MoU excludes the information/data possessed by either Institute before entering into this MoU or independently developed and or information already available through public domain.

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6. Duration of MoU and termination:

This MoU will take effect from the date it is signed by representatives of two Institutes. It will remain valid for six years and may be continued thereafter after suitable review and mutual agreement. Either Institution may terminate the MoU by giving written notice to the other Institution three months in advance. Once terminated, neither IITH nor GRIET will be responsible for any losses, financial or otherwise. which other Institutions may suffer. However, IITH and GRIET will ensure that all activities in progress are allowed to complete successfully.

7. Nomination of Coordinators:

Each institution shall appoint one member of its teaching/research faculty to coordinate the programme on its behalf as and when any activity starts.

8. Intellectual Property Rights:

Intellectual property rights (IPR) that arise as a result of joint research and collaborative activity under the MoU will be worked out on case-to-case basis and will be consistent with officially laid down IPR policies of the two Institutes.

9. Arbitration Clause:

Dispute relating to any aspect of academic cooperation, Director, IIT Hyderabad and Principal, GRIET will jointly resolve the disputes, it any.

10. Signed in duplicate:

This MoU is executed in duplicate with each copy being an official version and having equal legal validity. By signing below, the Institutes acting by their duly authorized Officers have caused this MoU to be executed, effective as of the day written above.

On behalf of IITH

Prof. B S Murty

Director, IIT Hyderabad

on behalf of GRIET

Prof./Dr Praveen Jugge

Dr. K. Prasama (ekshmi)

Principal/ GRIET

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