

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

Between

Visvesvaraya National Institute of Technology (VNIT) Nagpur

Between



VISVESVARAYA NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY (VNIT)

South Ambazari Road, Nagpur - 440 010, Maharashtra

<http://vnit.ac.in/>

And



Guru Ghasidas Vishwavidyalaya (GGV)

Koni, Bilaspur, Chhattisgarh - 495 009

Memorandum of Understanding

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Visvesvaraya National Institute of Technology (VNIT), Nagpur

and

Guru Ghasidas Vishwavidyalaya (GGV)

This **Memorandum of Understanding ("MoU")** is made as of the **27th day of September, 2025** ("Effective Date").

BY AND BETWEEN

Visvesvaraya National Institute of Technology (VNIT) a statutory body constituted under the Act of Parliament under the National Institute of Technology Act, 2007 (29 of 2007) and National Institute of Technology (Amendment) Act 2012 (No. 28 of 2012) functioning at its premises at South Ambazari Road, Nagpur - 440 010 represented by the Dean, (R&C) duly authorized by the **Director, Visvesvaraya National Institute of Technology (VNIT)** herein after referred to as '**VNIT**' which expression shall where the context so admits includes its successors in interest and permitted assigns as First Party.

AND

Guru Ghasidas Vishwavidyalaya is a Central University, established by Central Universities Act 2009) and recognized by University Grant Commission based in Bilaspur, Chhattisgarh, India, represented by **Vice-Chancellor** (hereinafter referred to as "**GGV**") which expression shall where the context so admits includes its successors in interest and permitted assigns as Second Party.

"**VNIT**" and **GGV** will individually be referred to as a '**Party**' and collectively as '**Parties**'.

RECITALS:

WHEREAS:

1. Guru Ghasidas Vishwavidyalaya is a Central University, established by Central Universities Act 2009) and recognized by University Grant Commission based in Bilaspur, Chhattisgarh, India, has professional, technical and vocational study programmes along with facilities for research.
2. GGV is interested to collaborate with VNIT in the area of for academic and research cooperation.
3. VNIT is a premier academic and research institute established by the Government of India and has the expertise and facilities to carry out R&D studies in the said area.

The parties having discussed fields of common research interests and allied academic activities between the two institutions have decided to enter into long-term collaboration for promotion of students training and quality graduate and postgraduate research in cutting edge areas.

In consideration of the above recitals and the mutual benefits to derive hereafter, the Parties agreed to enter into an MoU as follows:

Objectives

The objectives of the MoU will include programs offered at either party which are felt to be desirable and feasible for the development and strengthening of expertise in the various fields to expand the opportunities in the research, especially translational research and industrial collaboration, besides the development of human resources to face the future challenges & the cooperative relationships between the two institutions.

It also includes the exchange of ideas on research publications, academic programs and research projects and promotion of technology, incubation and startups".

Such programs may include any or all of the following activities:

- i. Encouragement of study by qualified students, both graduate and undergraduate, of each party of order;
- ii. Exchange of faculty and researchers;



- iii. Promotion of collaborative research in areas of mutual interest;
- iv. Development of short-term academic and training programs
- v. Participation of jointly organized academic meetings, seminars, and workshops;
- vi. Any other areas which the parties agree are in their mutual interest.

ARTICLE 1: Scope, Goals and Forms of Cooperation

The signing institutes agree to provide opportunity as appropriate for the following activities towards the completion of the objectives of this MOU:

- i. Exchange of ideas with the objective of offering course and realizing research projects in areas mutually agreed upon by both parties through prior invitation and in accordance with the procedures and expectations established by each institute and specific department.
- ii. The First party will provide supervision and support in various fields as on the demand of second party for conducting research related to the requirements of the students.
- iii. Operational details of research effort and collaboration will be made in common research programmes and/or projects restricted to specific mandated domain within the approved disciplines divisions.
- iv. Research instrumentation facility and library facilities available with the Second party and the First party will be made available to the faculty and research scholars.
- v. Exchange of scientific publications, study programs, academic projects, course information, seminars, conferences, and any other data and information of common interest.
- vi. Both the Institutions will develop joint research projects; promote incubation technology, startups, organization of seminars, symposia, workshops for benefits of the students.
- vii. Submitting proposals jointly to various Central/State Department Organization under different Schemes using each other's competencies by mutual consent.
- viii. All joint activities will be realized through the mutual agreement and clearly established conditions and mutual obligations of the appropriate institute entity.



ARTICLE 2: Management

- i. Director of the First party and Vice-Chancellor of Second party will be responsible to work out operational details of co-operation between the two organizations and ensure proper and effective implementation of this MOU.
- ii. The Advisory Committee will meet at least once in a year alternatively in the institution of 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 all students, faculties and scientists.

ARTICLE 3: Exchange of Information

- i. The term "information includes scientific or technical data results and/or methods of investigation, and other information intended to be provided, exchanged, or arising under project descriptions entered into pursuant to this MOU.
- ii. The parties support the widest possible dissemination of information. Each party in joint projects shall be given the right to use, disclose, publish or disseminate such information for any and all purposes.

ARTICLE 4: Implementation of the Memorandum of Understanding

- i. It is understood that the First party and Second party subscribe to the principle of equal opportunity and do not discriminate on the basis of state, race, sex, age, cast or religion. Both the institutions shall abide by these principles in the administration of this agreement and neither party shall impose criteria for exchange of scholars or students, which violate principles of non-discrimination.
- ii. Students and research scholars may visit the corresponding departments of the institute after finalizing a mutually acceptable schedule.
- iii. Any event, joint program, joint research activities, or similar activities, undertaken under this MoU will have no financial commitment on either institution and that will be decided separately for each event.



- iv. All the expenses shall be the direct responsibility of the student concerned (subject to any agreements on payment arrangements made by either institution with its own students).
- v. The researchers will be allowed to make use of the instruments and other research facilities available in various departments of these institutes after prior approval of the visiting schedule and due approval from Heads of both Institutions.
- vi. Both parties promote research and realize collaborative projects giving priority to interdisciplinary works.

ARTICLE 5: Terms and Conditions

- i. This MOU shall become effective from the date it is signed by the parties and shall be valid for three years. In case both parties would like to extend the partnership to five years the amendment papers should be made and signed by the authority of both sides and shall be regarded as a part of this MoU. This MOU may be amended by mutual written agreement and may be terminated at any time by either party upon written notification signed by the competent authority of the party initiating termination. Such notification must be given to the other party at least six months in advance from the effective date of termination.
- ii. All joint activities not completed at the expiration or termination of the MOU may be continued until their completion under the terms of this MOU.
- iii. No amendment or modification of the MOU shall be valid unless the same is made in writing by both the parties or their authorized representatives and specifically stating the same to be amendment of the MOU. The modifications/changes shall become part of the MOU and shall be effective from the date on which they are made / executed unless otherwise agreed.
- iv. Financial terms and conditions will be decided mutually as per needs of both parties. This MOU will be considered only for academic and R&D purposes only by both parties.



ARTICLE 6: Arbitration

- I. Any issues that are not addressed or stipulated in the MoU shall be discussed and resolved through negotiation in good faith and such resolution will be incorporated as written amendments to the MoU by mutual agreement between two Parties.
- II. No disputes are foreseen in the implementation of the MoU. The two Parties, however, agree that if any dispute arises between them, efforts will be made to settle the same as amicably as possible. If the dispute still remains unsettled, it will be referred for resolution bilaterally to Vice Chancellor, Guru Ghasidas Vishwavidyalaya, Bilaspur and VNIT Nagpur. The decisions so arrived at shall be final and binding on the parties to this MoU.

This MoU has been executed in two originals, one of which has been retained by the First party and the other by the Second party)

In Witness thereof the **Parties** have executed the MoU on Effective Date as mentioned in first page.

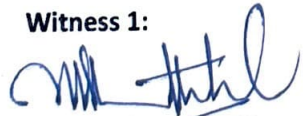
On Behalf of - **Visvesvaraya National
Institute of Technology, VNIT Nagpur**

On Behalf of - **Guru Ghasidas
Vishwavidyalaya, Bilaspur**

Prof. Prem Lal Patel,
Director, VNIT Nagpur

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Dean (R&C), VNIT Nagpur

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Witness 1:

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A. K. Saxena

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Witness 2:


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Dr. Ravikumar Dumpala
Coordinator:
VNIT Nagpur

Witness 2:


(Mukesh Kr. Singh)
Name: Prof. Mukesh Kumar Singh

Coordinator:


Guru Ghasidas Vishwavidyalaya, Bilaspur