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3.7.2 Number of functional MoUs with institutions of national, international importance, other universities, industries, corporate houses etc. during the last five years (only functional MoUs with ongoing activities to be considered)

2016-2017

MICROSOFT INNOVATION CENTER COLLABORATION AGREEMENT

This Microsoft Innovation Center Collaboration Agreement (the "**Agreement**") by and between Gayatri Educational Development Society (**Narasaraopeta Engineering College**) *located at* Kotappakonda Road, Yellamanda(P.O.), Narsaraopet, Guntur,Andhra Pradesh-522601 and **Microsoft Corporation (India) Private Limited** a company incorporated under the laws of India ("**Microsoft**"), having principal place of business at 10th Floor, Tower B & C, DLF Building No.5 (Epitome), Cyber City, DLF Phase III, Gurgaon, 122002 is entered into as of ***January 1st, 2016*** ("**Effective Date**").

RECITALS

A. Organization is engaged in running a professional higher educational institute(s) imparting higher technical education and offering graduate, post-graduate and doctoral programs.

B. Microsoft wishes to collaborate with Organization by facilitating the setup of a Microsoft Innovation Center **Narasaraopeta Engineering College** Kotappakonda Road, Yellamanda(P.O.), Narsaraopet, Guntur, Andhra Pradesh-522601 (the "**MIC**").

The parties agree as follows:

AGREEMENT

1. **Responsibilities of Microsoft.** Subject to the terms of this Agreement, Microsoft shall supply the MIC with promotional material, educational content and other materials as described in Exhibit A. Other than the support activities detailed in the Exhibit-A, Microsoft shall not fund, provide hardware or other third party software to the Organization for the purpose of MIC, unless specified in Exhibit C

2. **Responsibilities of Organization.** In consideration of Microsoft's obligations under this Agreement, Organization shall perform the activities as described in Exhibit B hereto.

3. **Use of Microsoft Software.** Organization may use Microsoft Software ("Software") that is made available under various programs, subject to such end user agreements, restrictions therein. Any Software made available in the MIC by Microsoft, its affiliates may be used by Organization by personnel and third parties engaged in the MIC subject to the terms of the relevant end user license agreement accompanying such Software or otherwise provided by Microsoft, or its affiliates, except that (a) such use rights are not transferable; (b) the Organization can make multiple copies of a software program solely for use in the MIC; and (c) any use rights terminate upon termination or expiration of this Agreement.

4. **Microsoft Trademark License Grant and Restrictions.**

a) Microsoft grants to Organization a non-exclusive, non-transferable, royalty-free license to use the Microsoft trademark solely as part of the Microsoft Innovation Center name in its entirety and the Microsoft corporate logo as part of the Microsoft Innovation Center Logo lock up ("MIC Marks") as shown in Exhibit D hereto only

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during the term of this Agreement and in the territory of the MIC that meets (i) all terms of this trademark license and Agreement, (ii) meets or exceeds standards of quality and performance of similar facilities generally accepted in the industry, and (iii) complies with all applicable laws, rules and regulations (collectively the **"Quality Standards"**) and other conditions herein. The MIC Marks may solely be used on signage to identify the MIC as a Microsoft Innovation Center and advertising and promotional materials for the MIC as pre-approved by Microsoft in accordance with Section 5(a). Any Internet advertising or web marketing must be targeted to countries in the MIC territory. Microsoft reserves all rights not expressly granted herein.

(b) Organization may not:

(i) Sublicense the rights granted in Section 4(a) to any third party without Microsoft's prior written consent;

(ii) Do or say anything that implies Microsoft is affiliated with, sponsors, endorses, or approves of Organization other than as allowed by this Agreement;

(iii) Do or say anything that may cause confusion about whether Microsoft owns the MIC Marks or any Microsoft trademark in the MIC Marks;

(iv) Register, adopt, or use any name, trademark, domain name or other designation that includes or violates Microsoft rights in the MIC Marks or any Microsoft trademark in the MIC Marks;

(v) Use the MIC Marks in a way that would damage Microsoft's reputation or goodwill in the MIC Marks; or

(vi) Alter, animate, distort the MIC Marks or combine it with any other symbols, words, images, or designs.

5. **Ownership and Use of the MIC Marks.**

(a) Organization acknowledges that:

(i) Microsoft is the sole owner of the MIC Marks and the Microsoft trademark in the MIC Marks and the goodwill associated with the MIC Marks;
(ii) Organization will not acquire any right, title or interest in the MIC Marks or the Microsoft trademark because of Organization's use of the MIC Marks; and
(iii) Microsoft is the sole beneficiary of the goodwill associated with Organization's use of the MIC Marks.

(b) Organization hereby assigns and will assign in the future any rights it may acquire in the MIC Marks as a result of Organization's use of the MIC Marks under this Agreement, along with the associate goodwill.

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(c) Organization will provide reasonable assistance to Microsoft in protecting and maintaining Microsoft's rights in the MIC Marks and Microsoft trademark, including preparing and executing documents at Microsoft's expense to register the MIC Marks or record this Agreement.

(d) Organization will take reasonable steps to notify Microsoft if Organization becomes aware of any suspected violation of or challenge to Microsoft's rights in the MIC Marks. Microsoft will determine, in its sole discretion, whether to take legal action to enforce or defend its rights in the MIC Marks and will control any legal action concerning the MIC Marks. Organization has no right to take legal action against third parties to enforce the rights it has in the MIC Marks under this Agreement.

(e) Organization must use the ™ and ® symbols used in the MIC Marks, as shown on Exhibit D.

(f) Organization must display the following trademark notice on all materials where the MIC Marks are used. *"Microsoft is a registered trademark of the Microsoft group of companies".*

(g) Organization will cooperate with Microsoft to enable Microsoft to review Organization's use of the MIC Marks and ensure that the MIC complies with the Quality Standards. Organization will promptly correct any improper use of the MIC Marks and any MIC that does not comply with the Quality Standards upon reasonable notice from Microsoft.

6. **Advertising.**

(a) Prior Approval of Advertising. Organization shall submit to Microsoft for its prior approval all advertising and promotional materials for the MIC (**"Advertising"**; the promulgation of such materials, to **"Advertise"**) which use the MIC Marks or otherwise reference Microsoft. Microsoft shall endeavour to provide its approval or disapproval within fifteen (15) days of receiving the Advertising. Once Microsoft's consent has been obtained, Organization may produce the identical materials or substantially identical materials on future occasions without seeking any further consent from Microsoft, unless otherwise advised by Microsoft.

(b) Microsoft Advertising. Microsoft may Advertise the MIC without the approval of the Organization.

(c) Joint Advertising. The parties may agree to jointly Advertise the MIC, in which case both parties will provide their prior consent (each in their discretion) to the Advertising materials and methods used.

(d) Correction of Errors. Upon discovery by either party of any errors in Advertising prepared by Organization, Organization shall (at its own expense) promptly correct or shall cause to be corrected any such errors.

7. **Employment.**

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(a) Organization Employees. Organization employees may be requested to perform administrative duties at the MIC as described in Exhibit B and as the parties mutually determine. Organization will recruit, select and train its employees and will use persons qualified to perform the services and duties described in Exhibit B. Under no circumstances will any Organization employees be considered or be held out to be Microsoft employees. Organization will be solely responsible for supervising and directing all aspects of the work performed at the MIC by Organization employees and for compensating Organization employees for their work. Organization assumes sole responsibility for any and all employment-related liabilities with respect to Organization employees. Organization personnel involved with the MIC shall comply with all policies and/or procedures relating to the MIC as may be reasonably requested by Microsoft from time to time during the term of this Agreement. At Microsoft's good faith request for any business reason, Organization will promptly remove or replace any individual performing work at the MIC.

(b) Safe Work Environment. Organization will provide a safe working environment for all Microsoft employees and agrees to comply with all applicable laws governing workplace safety.

8. **Facilities.**

(a) Exclusive Use; Activities. During the term of this Agreement, Organization will provide facilities of a mutually agreed upon size and location to be used exclusively for the MIC (the "**MIC Facilities**"). Except as set forth in this Agreement, all substantive activities at the MIC, including but not limited to the content of any and all technical, business and marketing activities, training, and events, at the MIC, will be subject to Microsoft's standards, requirements and approval, and to the extent Organization personnel participate in such activities, Organization will ensure the work of such personnel meets Microsoft's standards and requirements for such activities, with Organization remaining solely responsible for determining the manner in which its personnel meet such standards and requirements.

(b) Utilities. Organization is responsible for providing basic utilities (electricity, heat, water, internet connectivity) to the MIC Facilities, at Organization's cost, unless otherwise stated in this Agreement or in the Exhibits.

(c) Safety. Organization will ensure that the MIC Facilities are safe and for all Organization employees, Microsoft employees and visitors.

9. **Organization Warranties.** Organization warrants, represents and covenants that:

(a) it will comply with all applicable laws, rules and regulations;

(b) it has the right, capacity and authority to enter into this Agreement;

(c) this Agreement does not conflict with any other agreements or obligations by which it is bound;

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(d) all of its promotional, advertising and marketing material in connection with the MIC shall comply with all applicable laws and shall not infringe or otherwise breach the rights of any third parties in any applicable jurisdiction;

(e) it is aware of and will comply with all laws relating to anti-bribery and corruption including but not limited to Foreign Corrupt Practices Act and the Indian Prevention of Corruption Act 1988

(f) it will not (i) facilitate or promote any illegal, offensive or discriminatory activity or (ii) intentionally disparage the products, services or business of Microsoft or any of its affiliates (including Microsoft Corporation), or otherwise act in a manner that is detrimental to or reflects unfavourably on the name or business reputation of Microsoft or any of its affiliates, at or in connection with the MIC; and

(g) there is no proceeding in progress or pending or threatened against, relating to or affecting it which might be expected to have a materially adverse effect on the performance of its obligations under this Agreement, or on the business or reputation of Microsoft or any of its affiliates.

10. **Microsoft Warranties.**

(a) Microsoft warrants that it has the right, capacity and authority to enter into this Agreement.

(b) EXCEPT FOR THOSE WARRANTIES EXPRESSLY PROVIDED IN THIS SECTION 10, MICROSOFT DISCLAIMS ALL WARRANTIES, EXPRESS, IMPLIED OR STATUTORY, AS TO ANY MATTER WHATSOEVER RELATING TO THIS AGREEMENT, INCLUDING WITH RESPECT TO ANY MATERIALS, SOFTWARE, AND HARDWARE (IF ANY) PROVIDED UNDER SECTION 1 OF THIS AGREEMENT AND ANY OTHER INFORMATION OR MATERIALS, INCLUDING ANY TRADEMARKS AND THE MIC MARKS PROVIDED BY MICROSOFT UNDER THE TERMS OF THIS AGREEMENT, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO ANY (IF ANY) IMPLIED WARRANTIES OR CONDITIONS OF MERCHANTABILITY, FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE, REASONABLE CARE OR WORKMANLIKE EFFORT, RESULTS, LACK OF NEGLIGENCE, TITLE OR NON-INFRINGEMENT, LACK OF VIRUSES, OR OF ACCURACY OR COMPLETENESS OF RESPONSES.

11. **Indemnity.**

(a) Organization agrees to indemnify, defend and hold harmless Microsoft and its affiliates and each of their respective directors, officers, agents, contractors and employees from any and all actions, claims, demands, complaints, orders, costs, liabilities, expenses and damages ("Claims"), including reasonable legal fees and expenses, arising out of or relating to (1) the failure of Organization, its employees and/or agents to comply with any terms and conditions of this Agreement; (2) any personal injury, workman's compensation or property damage claim of any individual related in any way to the MIC Facilities; (3) the negligent or intentional

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acts or omissions of Organization, its employees and/or agents, except to the extent that such a Claim arises as a result of Microsoft's negligence or wilful misconduct, (4) Organization's use of the MIC Marks in breach of this Agreement.

(b) Microsoft agrees to indemnify, defend and hold harmless Organization and its affiliates and each of their respective directors, officers, agents, contractors and employees from any third-party claims, damages, costs, expenses and reasonable attorneys' fees alleging that the MIC Marks or any Microsoft trademark contained in the MIC Marks infringes any trademark rights of such third party in the territory of the MIC.

(c) The indemnity set forth in this Section 11 shall survive and shall be enforceable beyond the termination or expiration of this Agreement.

12. **LIMITATIONS OF LIABILITY.** IN NO EVENT SHALL EITHER PARTY BE LIABLE TO THE OTHER PARTY FOR ANY INDIRECT, SPECIAL, PUNITIVE, INCIDENTAL OR CONSEQUENTIAL DAMAGES WHATSOEVER (INCLUDING, WITHOUT LIMITATION, DAMAGES FOR LOSS OF BUSINESS PROFITS, BUSINESS INTERRUPTION, LOSS OF BUSINESS INFORMATION, OR ANY OTHER PECUNIARY LOSS) ARISING OUT OF, RESULTING FROM OR RELATED TO THE MIC OR TO THIS AGREEMENT, EVEN IF A PARTY HAS BEEN ADVISED OF THE POSSIBILITY OF SUCH DAMAGES. NOTWITHSTANDING THE FOREGOING, THIS SECTION SHALL NOT APPLY TO INDEMNIFICATION OBLIGATIONS, ANY INFRINGEMENT OF INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY RIGHTS BY THE OTHER PARTY OR ANY BREACH OF THE CONFIDENTIALITY OBLIGATIONS SET OUT IN THIS AGREEMENT.

13. **Confidentiality.** The terms of the Microsoft standard nondisclosure agreement between the parties shall govern the use and protection of confidential information under this Agreement. The terms of this Agreement shall be considered confidential information under such agreement.

14. **Personal Information.** Organization represents and warrants that the collection, use, disclosure and storage of any Personal Information in connection with this Agreement or the MIC, including the disclosure of personal information to Microsoft, shall be in full compliance with all applicable laws including, without limitation, data protection and privacy laws. Organization further represents and warrants that all necessary notices and consents shall be given or obtained to allow Microsoft to receive and use the Personal Information to be provided to Microsoft pursuant to this Agreement and that Microsoft shall be free to use such information for the purposes of (i) the MIC, (ii) to inform the individuals of products or services offered by Microsoft and its affiliates, and (iii) to send individuals relevant survey invitations related to products or services offered by Microsoft or its affiliates. For the purpose of this Agreement, "Personal Information" means any information about an identifiable individual or information which relates to a natural person and allows that person to be identified.

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15. **Taxes.** The parties are not liable for any of the taxes of the other party that the other party is legally obligated to pay and which are incurred or arise in connection with or related to the transactions contemplated under this Agreement, and all such taxes (including but not limited to net income or gross receipts taxes, franchise taxes, sales and use taxes, and/or property taxes) shall be the financial responsibility of the party who is obligated by operation of law to pay such tax. Each party agrees to indemnify, defend and hold the other party harmless from any taxes or claims, causes of action, costs (including, without limitation, reasonable attorneys' fees) and any other liabilities of any nature whatsoever related to a party's taxes.

16. **Term and Termination.**

(a) Term. This Agreement shall commence on the Effective Date and stay in full force and effect for a period of one year unless earlier terminated pursuant to other provisions of this Agreement.

(b) Termination By Either Party For Cause. Either party may suspend performance and/or terminate this Agreement immediately upon written notice at any time if the other party is in breach of any warranty, term, condition or covenant of this Agreement and fails to cure that breach within thirty (30) days after written notice thereof.

(c) Immediate Termination. Microsoft may terminate this Agreement immediately upon written notice in the event that Organization or its representatives engage in any activities that, in the reasonable opinion of Microsoft, would pose a risk to Microsoft's reputation or goodwill as a result of its continued association with Organization or the MIC. In addition, Microsoft may terminate this Agreement immediately upon notice in the event that the Organization (a) becomes insolvent; (b) admits in writing its inability to pay its debts as they become due; (c) makes an assignment for the benefit of creditors; or (d) if a petition under any bankruptcy statute, receivership statute, or similar statute, as they now exist or as they may be amended, is filed by the other party or by any third party or an application for a receiver is made by anyone and such application is not resolved favourably to the other party within sixty (60) days.

(d) Obligations Upon Termination. In the event that this Agreement is terminated pursuant to this Section 16, Microsoft shall close the MIC and all software use and trademark use rights related to the MIC, if any, shall terminate. Microsoft will retain ownership of all software, hardware, equipment (as recorded under Exhibit C), content and materials in the MIC. Organization acknowledges and agrees that Microsoft's remedies under this Section 16 are in addition to, and not in lieu of, any other rights or remedies that it may have at law or in equity.

(e) Survival. Sections 3, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16 and 17, shall survive termination of this Agreement.

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'17. **General.**

(a) Force Majeure. Any delay or failure of either party to perform its obligations hereunder shall be excused to the extent that it is caused by an event or occurrence beyond its reasonable control such as, by way of example and not by way of limitation, acts of God, actions by governmental authority (whether valid or invalid), fires, floods, windstorms, explosions, riots, natural disasters, wars, sabotage or labour problems; provided the party claiming force majeure promptly notifies the other party of the event of force majeure, the anticipated duration of the event of force majeure, and the steps being taken to remedy the failure. Should the event of force majeure continue beyond fifteen (15) days or such shorter time period as may be reasonable under the circumstances, either party may terminate this Agreement, and Organization shall refund any portion of Sponsorship Fee already paid by Microsoft, if any, corresponding to the proportion of the benefits under this Agreement not yet received by Microsoft as a result of such termination.

(b) Notices. All notices and requests in connection with this Agreement shall be in writing and may be sent either by registered mail, facsimile transmission or personal delivery, to the following addresses:

To:

Microsoft Corporation (I) Pvt. Ltd.
10th Floor, Tower B & C, DLF Building No.5 (Epitome)
Cyber City, DLF Phase III,
Gurgaon, 122002
Fax: +91-124-2567000

To Organization:

Address: (Institute *Address and Details)*

Narasaraopeta Engineering College
Kotappakonda Road,
Yellamanda (P.O.)
Narsaraopet
Guntur District
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Attn: PRINCIPAL

Phone: 08647-239903

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or to such other address as a party may designate pursuant to this notice provision. Any such notice, in the case of facsimile transmission or personal delivery, shall be deemed to have been received and shall be effective on the date of delivery and, in the case of registered mail, shall be deemed to have been received and shall be effective on the fifth (5th) day following the date on which it is mailed.

(c) Insurance. Organization shall procure and maintain at its own expense insurance coverage of at least **zero Rupees** for its obligations hereunder and shall provide proof of such insurance to Microsoft upon request. Insurance clause is not applicable for MIC at Narasaraopeta Engineering College Kotappakonda Road, Yellamanda (P.O.), Narsaraopet, Guntur, Andhra Pradesh-522601.

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(d) Independent Contractors. Microsoft and Organization are independent contracting parties, and nothing in this Agreement shall be construed as creating an employer-employee relationship, a partnership, a franchisee-franchisor relationship, or a joint venture between the parties. Organization is not an agent of Microsoft and has no authority to bind Microsoft by its acts or agreements.

(e) Governing Law.

This Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of India. Any dispute arising out of the Agreement shall be referred to arbitration under the Arbitration & Conciliation Act, 1996. The arbitral tribunal shall consist of three arbitrators - one each to be appointed by Microsoft and Organization and the two appointed arbitrators then appointing an umpire. The venue of arbitration shall be New Delhi. The decision of the arbitrator shall be final, binding and incontestable and may be used as a basis for judgment thereon in India or elsewhere. This choice of jurisdiction and venue does not prevent either party from seeking injunctive relief with respect to a violation of intellectual property rights or enforcement or recognition of any award or order in any appropriate jurisdiction.

(f) Assignment. This Agreement shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of each party's respective successors and lawful assigns; provided, however, that Organization may not assign this Agreement, in whole or in part, without the prior written approval of Microsoft at Microsoft's sole discretion. For greater certainty, Microsoft may assign this Agreement at any time to an affiliate.

(g) Construction. If for any reason a court of competent jurisdiction finds any provision of this Agreement, or portion thereof, to be invalid or unenforceable, such invalidity or unenforceability shall not affect the validity or enforceability of any other provision of this Agreement (or portion thereof) and any such invalid or unenforceable provision shall be deemed to be severable. Failure by either party to enforce any provision of this Agreement shall not be deemed a waiver of future enforcement of that or any other provision. This Agreement has been negotiated by the parties and their respective counsel and will be interpreted fairly in accordance with its terms and without any strict construction in favour of or against either party.

(h) Entire Agreement. This Agreement does not constitute an offer by Microsoft and it shall not be effective until signed by both parties. This Agreement and the documents referenced herein constitute the entire agreement between the parties with respect to the subject matter hereof and merges all prior and contemporaneous communications. It shall not be modified except by a written agreement dated subsequent to the date of this Agreement and signed on behalf of Organization and Microsoft by their respective duly authorized representatives.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused this Agreement to be executed as of the date first written above.

NARASARAOPETA ENGINEERING COLLEGE	**Microsoft Corporation (India) Pvt Ltd**
By: 12/12/15	30/12/15
Print name: Dr. B. V. Rama Mohana Rao	Print name:
Title : Principal	Title:

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EXHIBIT A

RESPONSIBILITIES OF MICROSOFT

Microsoft shall:

(a) Provide access to Microsoft Software via the existing DreamSpark Program,

(b) Provide technical content & curriculum;

(c) Provide business content & curriculum;

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EXHIBIT B

RESPONSIBILITIES OF ORGANIZATION

Organization shall:

(a) Follow space, layout and facility guidelines for exclusive MIC usage, as detailed in the *MIC Design and Build* document;

(b) Provide administrative support of approved activities at the MIC at your campus during the term of this Agreement, including one or more full-time qualified Organization employees if requested by Microsoft;

(c) Ensure that participants of the MIC have access to the facility housing the MIC and the exclusive MIC space during normal business hours;

(d) Conduct technical and business skills training seminars and other events for MIC users, as determined by the parties, using materials provided by Microsoft and per any Microsoft guidelines, per a program calendar created and managed by Microsoft with Organization input;

(e) Participate in MIC Network business and technical activities run by Microsoft, or engage in such activities approved by Microsoft (i) after receiving relevant certification for such activities by Microsoft and (ii) in accordance with Microsoft guidelines for such activities; and

(f) As part of its administrative support, track and provide quarterly reports as detailed in the MIC Scorecard, including:

i. # of students engaged in MICs
ii. # of training courses/events held in MICs
iii. # of faculty engaged in MICs
iv. # of certifications completed in MICs
v. # of Imagine Cup competitors from MIC
vi. # of Azure Accounts Activated

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EXHIBIT C

Organization Owned Assets

All software, hardware, equipment and materials in the MIC owned by the Organization except the following which are owned by Microsoft

As of 13-12-15 date Exhibit C contains no details of software, hardware, equipment at the MIC

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MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MOU)

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MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

This **Memorandum of Understanding** (here in after called as the "MOU") is entered in to on this date of 07-09-2016 (7th September Two thousand Sixteen), by and between **Narasaraopeta Engineering College (NEC),** Narasaraopet, Guntur (Dt.)-522601, Andhra Pradesh (India), the Higher/Technical Educational Institution represented here in by its Principal, NEC (Here in after referred as **"First Party",** the institution which expression, unless excluded by or offensive to the subject or context shall include its successors in office, administrators and assigns).

AND

Swarnandhra College of Engineering & Technology (SCE&T) the second party and represented by the Principal, here in after referred as **"Second Party",** the institution which expression, unless excluded by or repugnant to the subject or context shall include its successors-in-office, administrators and assigns.

First Party and Second Party are here in after jointly referred to as "Parties" and individually as "Party" as

2. In order to facilitate collaborative research work, to establish academic and scientific relationships, to promote joint research activities, to extend mutual support in Postgraduate and Doctrol programme, NEC and SCE&T, agree this Memorandum of Understanding (MOU)

3. SCOPE OF THE MOU:

The scope of the collaboration in academic and research activities in this MOU include the following categories

- Academic and research collaborations in the mutually interested areas.
- Academic interactions and support leading to higher qualifications
- Exchange of academic and scientific information
- To conduct professional development programs related to Accreditation and Assessment procedures for the benefit of teachers.
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3.1. Academic and Research Collaborations in the mutually interested areas

a) Faculty from SCE&T and NEC can engage in collaborative research work, support and help each other in carrying research projects.

b) Joint project proposals can be developed by the faculty members from SCE&T and NEC to submit to funding agencies such as DST, DBT, UGC, AICTE, NRB, DRDO etc.,

c) Any intellectual property rights (IPR) in connection with the joint projects shall belong to both the institutions.

d) The visible output in the form of conference proceedings, journal publications and book chapters which resulted from the collaborative research work, joint projects and research work that leads to Ph.D degree, shall belong to the faculty members and credentials shall be given to them who involved and executed the work as per the research and publishing ethics.

3.2. Academic Interactions and Support Leading to Higher qualifications:

a) SCE&T shall give opportunity to faculty members of NEC to register for Ph.D., on Part-time/external mode subject to their meeting the admission criteria and bases on interview performance.

b) The faculty can complete the required courses by self-study and can appear for the examinations. NEC shall grant permission to the faculty members who register Ph.D., at SCE&T to write those examinations.

c) If a faculty member of NEC registers for Ph.D degree at SCE&T, he shall have one guide at NEC and one guide at SCE&T.

d) A faculty member at NEC who is eligible to guide Ph.D scholars can act as internal guide.

e) If the guide is not available in the parent department from NEC or SCE&T in the proposed research area, eligible faculty who belongs to allied departments can act as one of the guids, however, in such cases, one guide must be from the parent department either at NEC or SCE&T.

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f) The remaining Ph.D guidelines, rules and regulations as per the SCE&T followed.

g) The instruments, equipment and other research facilities at SCE&T can be utilized by the faculty members for their Ph.D work as per institute norms with applicable fee.

3.3. Exchange of Academic and Scientific Information:

a) SCE&T and NEC can support and help each other in the academic programmes by conducting joint workshop, conferences, seminars, by arranging short visits, guest lectures and training programmes for the faculty members and students.

b) Faculty shall share articles, publications, scientific information, patents information etc., for their academic needs and not for commercial purposes on mutual consent and case to case basis with regard to revenue sharing and expenditure.

4. Financial Commitment

The first party shall reimburse the expenses incurred and pay for the services rendered by the second party towards activities covered under this MoU.

5. Validity and Maturity

This agreement will be valid for a period of five years. This MoU may be terminated by either of the parties forthwith if any other party commits breach of any of the terms here of and shall have failed to rectify such breach within **60** days of the notice in this behalf having been served on it by the other party.

6. Relationship and Obligations between parties:

It is expressly agreed the **First Party** and **Second Party** are acting under this MoU as independent organizations, and the relationship established under this MoU shall not be construed as a partnership neither party is authorized to use the other party's name in any way, to make any representations or create any obligation or liability, expressed or implied, on behalf of the other party, without the prior written consent of the party.

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Authorized Signatory
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