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and

Pt. Ravishankar Shukla University, Raipur

Memorandum of Understanding

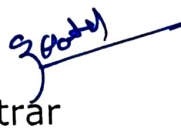

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MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING
BETWEEN
SRIMANTA SANKARDEV SHODH PEETH,
PT. RAVISHANKAR SHUKLA UNIVERSITY, RAIPUR
AND
SRIMANTA SANKARDEV CHAIR,
PANJAB UNIVERSITY, CHANDIGARH

1. Background

Recognizing the shared academic interest in the broader domain of Bhakti movement, cultural studies, interdisciplinary humanities and social reform traditions particularly the works of Srimanta Sankardev and other regional intellectual figures, both the Universities - Pt. Ravi Shankar Shukla University, Raipur and Panjab University, Chandigarh have agreed to collaborate on various Academic and Research oriented initiatives.

This Memorandum of Understanding (hereinafter referred to as MoU) is between the Srimanta Sankardev Shodh Peeth, Pt. Ravishankar Shukla University, Raipur, Chhattisgarh, India (hereinafter called SSSP-PRSU, the First party) and the Srimanta Sankardev Chair, Panjab University, Chandigarh, India (hereinafter called SSC-PU, the Second party).

2. Scope

The purpose of this MoU is to express the intention of the parties as provided under the objectives of the MoU. It is not intended to be legal binding on both parties. Memorandum may be subject to the revision or renewal by mutual consent or termination for any reason by either party upon serving of written notice to the other party. Collaborative projects between both the institutions may include any of the Academic, Cultural and Research oriented activities, programs and projects. It is expected that both parties are to explore collaborations for the below-mentioned activities under the objectives of the MoU.

3. Objectives of the MoU

- Joint Research Projects on themes related to Bhakti Movement, Srimanta Sankardev Studies and cultural-philosophical traditions.
- Faculty and Scholar Exchange Programs for collaborative research and teaching.


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- Co-supervision of Research Scholars enrolled at either institution.
- Organizing Joint seminars, conferences, workshops, group discussions, special lectures, cultural programs and literary- cultural festivals.
- Collaborative publications and translation projects.
- Establishment of a cross-cultural research bridge between Central, North East and Northern India.
- Promotion of digital archives and documentation of Sankari and Bhakti traditions.
- Exchange of academic resources including manuscripts, archival materials and library access.

The parties may undertake the said programs or activities for any academic discipline(s) mutually agreed upon.

4. Intellectual property

Ownership of any intellectual property such as joint publication, books etc. developed jointly during the course of this MoU shall be vested in both institutes/departments. Any joint publication, research etc. shall require the prior written consent of both parties. Neither party can unreasonably withhold its consent for publication.

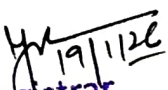
Any specific activity developed under this MoU shall be detailed in a subsequent agreement signed by each of the institution's authorized signatory (i.e. Head of the department/Institution) which will describe the scope of the proposed activity, intended outcomes, budget and responsible departments or individual.

5. Effective Date and Duration

This Memorandum of Understanding is signed by both the parties on **21st January 2026**. This MoU shall remain effective from the date of execution until the end of the term of **THREE YEARS** and same can be extended with a mutual understanding of both parties.

6. Financial Terms and Conditions

All activities shall be subject to the availability of funds and the approval of each institution's authorized signatory (i.e. Head of the department/institution) or representatives.


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For organizing activities at Panjab University, mentioned under the objectives of this MoU, **there will no Financial Liability on Panjab University.** However, the fund provided by the Ministry of Education, Govt. of Assam for establishing Srimanta Sankardev Chair, Panjab University may be used to meet out the objectives of this MoU with the prior approval of the Competent Authority of Panjab University.

7. Implementation and Nodal Coordination

Each party shall appoint at least one permanent faculty member to coordinate the program on its behalf. The present Coordinator of Srimanta Sankardev Chair, Prof. Supreet Kaur will be the Nodal officer from Panjab University. Further, a Coordination Committee consisting of (a) Program Coordinator from the side of SSSP-PRSU and (b) Program Coordinator from the side of the SSC-PU will periodically review and identify ways to strengthen cooperation between the two institutions.

In joint research projects under the purview of this MoU, if a student is enrolled for Ph.D at Pt. Ravi Shankar Shukla University (PRSU), the supervisor will be from PRSU with a co-supervisor from Panjab University (PU) and vice-versa.

8. Dispute

The parties shall attempt to resolve in good faith any dispute arising between them out of operation of the MoU. However either institution may terminate the MoU by giving written notice of three months in advance to the other institution. Once terminated, neither SSSP-PRSU nor SSC-PU will be responsible for any losses, financial or otherwise, which the other institution may suffer.

However, SSSP-PRSU and SSC-PU will ensure that the provisions of this Memorandum shall continue to apply to all activities in progress until their completion.

9. Revisions/ Modification & Amendments

This MoU may be revised or amended if needed in future by the mutual consent of both the parties in writing and such variation or amendment shall become part of this MoU.


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Srimanta Sankardev Shodh Peeth, PRSU, Raipur and Srimanta Sankardev Chair PU, Chandigarh welcome the establishment of this Memorandum of Understanding for cooperation and jointly agree to the provisions as set out above.

Signatory Authority
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Registrar
Pt. Ravishankar Shukla University,
Raipur
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Pt. Ravishankar Shukla University
RAIPUR (Chhattisgarh)

Signature _____
Nodal Officer: Prof. L.S. Gajpal
Srimanta Sankardev Shodh Peeth
Pt. Ravishankar Shukla University
Raipur

Signatory Authority
Prof. Y.P. Verma,
Registrar,
Panjab University, Chandigarh
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Panjab University
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Signature _____
Nodal Officer: Prof. Supreet Kaur
Coordinator, Srimanta
Sankaradeva Chair,
Panjab University, Chandigarh

Coordinator
Srimanta Sankardev Chair
Panjab University
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IN THE PRESENCE OF WITNESSES

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