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Umbrella Memorandum of Understanding

Between

North Eastern Regional Institute of Water and Land Management, Tezpur, Assam and

Central Agricultural University, Imphal Manipur

for facilitating as Knowledge Partners

This Memorandum of Understanding (hereinafter referred to as MoU) is made on this 22.... day of the month of December. in the year 2021 by and between the North Eastern Regional Institute of Water and Land Management (NERIWALM), Tezpur naving its headquarter at Dolabari, Tezpur - 784027, Assam [hereinafter called FIRST PARTY] on the ONE PART and the Central Agricultural University (CAU), Imphal having its Head Office at Imphal - 795 004, Manipur, [hereinafter called SECOND PARTY], an university under the under Department of Agricultural Research and Education (DARE), Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers' Welfare, Govt. of India, New Delhi-110 001 on the OTHER PART (who for the purpose of this MoU are hereinafter collectively referred to as the parties).

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

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Engineering, Agronomy, Soil Sciences, Horticultural Science, Fishery and Community Science which have applications in inclusive agriculture, extension activities, water and soil interphases in their quality and management.

WHEREAS the "First Party", an institute under the Ministry of Jal Shakti, Department of Water Resources, River Development & Ganga Rejuvenation (registered under the Society Registration Act, 1860) involved in an arrays of capacity building programmes, Research and Consultancies along with conducting M. Tech. course for Water Resource Management and WHEREAS the "Second Party", a central agricultural university established by an act of parliament in 1993, is involved in the academic teaching, research and extension activities in the mandated areas of Agricultural Sciences and Technology.

AND WHEREAS it has been considered expedient to agree in writing to participate jointly in teaching, research and projects requiring expertise and logistics from both the parties.

Article 1. Scope

- 1.1 The First party will recognize the faculty of identified departments of Second party as adjunct faculty as recommended by the Director of Instruction of second party, for teaching/training and conducting research related to the thesis requirement of the research students for M.Tech. & Ph.D. in accordance with the university/ institutional rules and regulations for guiding students working for the said degree whereas the Second party recognizes the First Party as the institute for academic, research and extension activities in irrigation technologies, water harvesting, watershed management, participatory irrigation management including management of open wells and tune wells, water quality, inclusive agriculture and allied sciences.
- 1.2 The second party may consider deputing/ approving teachers/students for different training programmes, students' teaching and research in the first party as per the existing rules of the parties.
- 1.3 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 of the Parties.
- 1.4 Research instrumentation facility and library facilities available with the First party and the Second party will be made available to the faculty, scientists and students of both the parties as per norms of the parties.

Article 2. Management

2.1 This Umbrella Memorandum of Understanding is recognising either institute as knowledge partner with broad areas of interest of research and development for cooperating

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in teaching/ training/ research & development/ extension and field oriented activities for mutual benefits of either parties. Hence, both the parties agree to bring all the subjects of mutual benefits under the jurisdiction of this agreement.

Article 3. Exchange of Information

- 3.1. 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.
- 3.2. 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 with due acknowledgement to the other party.

Article 4. General Provisions

- 4.1 It is understood that the First party and the Second party subscribe to the principle of equal opportunity and do not discriminate on the basis of race, sex, age, caste 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.
- 4.2 The approved faculty may also act as Advisors of the students and guide the students for their theses research. The students shall be allowed to work for their theses research within the research priority/project of the parties.
- 4.3 The students of the either party can utilise the laboratories of both the parties. However, the outcome of PG and PhD theses research submitted by the students to the either party for the award of degree shall be the property of the party to which the Advisors belong. In every case the contribution of the student will be duly recognised with respect to publication/patent, etc. Intellectual contribution of the student advisory committee members should also be duly acknowledged/recognized.
- 4.4 The students of the either party can utilise the laboratories of the either party as per the norms of the parties.
- 4.5 The faculties involved in teaching/ training of either party may be paid honorarium as per the regulations of either party.
- 4.6 All communications related to policy and financial matter shall be made between Director of the First Party and the Director of Instruction of the Second Party.
- 4.7 If any faculty of the First party is recognised as an adviser of Second party for students' research and vice- versa, a copy of the thesis/ dissertation should be forwarded to the Library of the party concerned.

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- 4.8 The faculty from the first party and the faculty from the second party may prepare joint research projects for external funding on areas of common interest. The financial and intellectual property rights issues will be discussed and resolved separately on case to case basis.
- 4.9 All questions related to this MoU arising during its term will be settled by the parties by mutual agreement. Disagreements at the operating level shall be forwarded to respective higher authorities for appropriate resolution failing which an arbitrator of mutual acceptance may be identified for the settlement of dispute, if any.
- 4.10 All questions not foreseen related to this MoU, will be handled by the parties by mutual agreement.
- 4.11 Nothing in this MoU is intended to affect other cooperation or collaborations between the parties.

Article 5. Intellectual Property Rights

5.1. Both the parties are expected to ensure protection of the Intellectual Property Rights generated or likely to be generated during the student's research works.

Article 6. Admission and Academic Management

- 6.1. Admission of the students and the award of degrees for different programmes will be the responsibility of the either party as per the rules and regulations of the parties.
- 6.2. Any student(s) assigned to the either party for training/research, if found violating the rules and regulations laid down by the either party or indulge in such activities that amount to tarnishing the image of the Institute/ university, or cause damage to the property, it will be referred to the designated disciplinary committee of the parties, where the student(s) is registered. The either party will then take disciplinary action against the erring student as per the regulations of the party. However, in such case, faculties concerned in the either party or any representative of the Director of Instruction / Director of the party shall be a co-opted member in the Disciplinary Committee.

. Article 7. Entry into effect, modification and termination

7.1. This MoU shall become effective on the date it is signed by the parties and shall be valid for 5 (five) years. Both parties shall review the status of the MoU at the end of period to determine any modification, renewal or extension. 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.

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7.2. 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 to.

Article 8. Liaison

8.1. On behalf of NERIWALM, Shri Ritu Thakur, Assistant Professor (Agriculture) will be co-ordinator for R&D and extension activities. Central Agricultural University, Imphal may identify a faculty member specially in the fields of Natural Resource Management for coordinating the regular activities.

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 WHEREOF, the parties have executed this MoU and represent that they approve, accept and agree to terms contained herein.

(Prof. Pradip Kumar Bora)

Director

North Eastern Regional Institute of Water and Land Management(NERIWALM),

Tezpur, Pin: 784

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Witness 2:...

सहायकं प्रध्वापक (समाज विज्ञान) Assistant Professor (Social Science) पूर्वोत्तर क्षेत्रीय जल तथा बूमि प्रबंधन संस्थान, तेजबुर North Eastern Regional Institute of Water and Land Management, Tezpur

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Director of Instruction

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Witness 1:....

Imphal

(Instruction)

Central Agricultural University