



Agreement

BETWEEN

**FACULTY OF PHYSICAL PLANNING AND ARCHITECTURE,
GURU NANAK DEV UNIVERSITY AMRITSAR**

AND

CENTRE FOR SCIENCE AND ENVIRONMENT (CSE)

ON

**TECHNICAL, ADVISORY, KNOWLEDGE AND CAPACITY BUILDING
SUPPORT FOR REFORMS IN CURRICULUM**

This **Agreement** is being entered into on **27th** day of **March** 2017 between **Faculty of Physical Planning and Architecture, Guru Nanak Dev University**, located at Grand Trunk Road, Off NH 1, Amritsar, Punjab-143005, represented by Registrar, Guru Nanak Dev University, Amritsar on the one part,

and

Centre for Science and Environment, located at 41, Tughlakabad Institutional Area, New Delhi, 110062 (hereinafter referred to as ‘CSE’), legally represented by its Executive Director on the other part.

BACKGROUND

Guru Ramdas School of Planning (GRDSP) and Department of Architecture, represented by Faculty of Physical Planning and Architecture is affiliated to Guru Nanak Dev University and approved by AICTE, UGC, ITPI, Council of Architecture (CoA). It is one of the premier institutions in northwest India to impart education and training in the field of Urban Planning and Regional Planning and Architecture, Urban Design and Infrastructure Planning. The schools offer Bachelor and Master Degree in the respective fields.

Centre for Science and Environment (CSE) is a non-governmental, independent policy research institution based in Delhi that was started in 1981 by the late Anil Agarwal, a leading figure in India’s environment movement. For more than three decades now, CSE has helped shape policies and build public awareness to bring change in areas of pollution mitigation and public health security, low carbon development, natural resource management and livelihood security to make growth sustainable and inclusive. CSE’s Sustainable Building and Habitat Programme is designed to reduce energy and resource consumption, waste generation and emissions from urban development. The programme seeks to promote a collaborative system of research, training and curriculum development in issues related to sustainable development in built environment.

The two institutions agree to jointly promote the cause of sustainable habitat in built sector focusing sustainability in built schemes of buildings and area planning.

POINT 1: SPECIFIC PURPOSE OF AGREEMENT

Jointly we agree to cooperate in the following areas: -

1.1 Knowledge Partnership

CSE will act as the knowledge partner of Faculty of Physical Planning and Architecture to help in the inclusion of sustainability content in the curriculum. CSE shall assist Faculty of Physical Planning and Architecture in providing technical, advisory, knowledge and capacity building support to facilitate handholding in course development and helping build capacities through requisite level of training programme and workshops for students and faculty.

1.2 Capacity Building and Training Activities

CSE agrees to conduct three seminar/trainings and one workshop in a calendar year 2017-18 for students and nominated faculty of Faculty of Physical Planning and Architecture. While the two trainings and one workshop will be held at the Anil Agarwal Environment Training Institute (AAETI), a residential research, training and demonstration 'green campus' located in Nimli in Dist. Alwar, Rajasthan, while one seminar/training will be held on the campus of the GNDU Amritsar.

1.3 Development of Course Modules

CSE will assist Faculty of Physical Planning and Architecture in preparing specific course modules to be offered as mandatory or elective courses in line with model guidelines focused and integrated on sustainable and environment related topics under the existing curriculum. Faculty of Physical Planning and Architecture agrees to make efforts to ensure that 10% of students' dissertation or thesis should be aligned with sustainability guidelines in the built sector.

1.4 Needs-based Research and Capacity Building

Based on mutual need, Institutions shall explore additional ways of collaborating to help strengthen the research and capacities. Activities may include joint research, workshops, seminars and conferences, among other potential areas of cooperation in the field of sustainable habitats. The details of such arrangement shall be negotiated at the

appropriate time on a case-to-case basis and be governed by the relevant approval processes.

POINT 2: RESPONSIBILITIES

Both institutions acknowledge the mutual alignment of their institutional vision, mission and values. Both organizations commit themselves to jointly accomplish the goals of the Capacity Building Project.

- 2.1** Sharing of information: Both Faculty of Physical Planning and Architecture and CSE shall each maintain their respective lawful status with the appropriate authorities for the duration of the Agreement. Either institutions shall keep the other informed of any change whatsoever occurring in the engagement plan which may affect the timely delivery of services and accomplishment of project outcomes.

- 2.2** **Financial support:** For training and workshop at CSE's AAETI campus, CSE will not charge any course fee for the trainings and workshop including field visits (if any), and also agrees to cover the cost of accommodation and meals during the period of said training and workshop. Faculty of Physical Planning and Architecture agrees to cover travel costs of its faculty and/or students to the CSE office and training facilities. For seminar/training at GNDU campus Amritsar, CSE will not charge any course fee for the trainings including field visits (if any), and also agrees to cover the cost of accommodation and meals during the period of said training and workshop, although venue for hosting such events shall be arranged by the Faculty of Physical Planning and Architecture. For long term viability and sustainability of the Capacity Building Project, Institutions agree to explore and identify respective funding opportunities.

- 2.3** **Focal Person:** Both institutions shall each assign a designated focal person (Senior Professor from Departments and Senior official from CSE) to provide support to the project, whose duties include supporting the visits of either institutions, or who will also arrange training and logistics for the smooth implementation of the Project.

POINT 3: LANGUAGE

All written correspondence and activities relating to the project shall be transacted in the English Language.

POINT 4: ACCOUNTABILITY AND COMPLIANCE

The said project shall be implemented in line with relevant policies and law of the Government of India, and shall comply with the institutional guidelines of both Institutions. This AGREEMENT is not binding or legal enforceable, does not impose enforceability of obligation upon the Institutions and does not grant any rights.

POINT 5: CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION AND COPYRIGHT

5.1 Neither Institution shall disclose confidential information of the other party to any person or third-party or use of such confidential information for its own purpose at any time without the written consent of the other party.

5.2 Any idea, innovation, training materials, management processes or documentation arising out of this collaboration shall be the intellectual property of both Institutions. Both Institutions may however use such intellectual materials, but with appropriate acknowledgement to the contributions made by either party.

POINT 6: FORCE MAJEURE

No Institution covered under this agreement shall be liable for any failure to perform its obligation where such failure is a result of Acts of God, which are here defined as force majeure.

POINT 7: DURATION AND TERMINATION

This AGREEMENT shall come into effect on the date of signature by both Institutions and shall remain in force for an initial period of three (3) years, unless otherwise terminated by mutual consent, and with 30 days prior written notice to the other Institution.

POINT 8: DISPUTE RESOLUTION

Both Institutions agreed that if there is any dispute of difference between both arising out of the Agreement or in the interpretation of any of the provision thereof, they shall endeavour to meet in an effort to resolve such dispute by discussion, within 30 days of such dispute arising, failing such resolution then the parties in dispute shall refer at their costs the dispute to a mutually to the senior executive/faculty agreed Institutions.

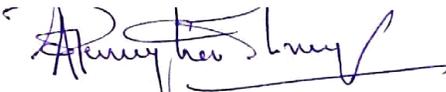
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned being duly authorized by their respective Institutions, have signed this Agreement.

KARANJEET SINGH KHALON
Registrar
Guru Nanak Dev University
Amritsar

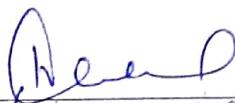

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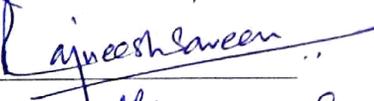
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(Date)

Anumita Roychowdhury
Executive Director
Centre for Science and Environment
New Delhi


(Signature)

27 March, 2017
(Date)

Witness 1: 
(KARANJIT SINGH CHahal)

Witness 2: 
(RAJNEESH SAREEN)