



Memorandum of Understanding (MoU)

between

**Guru Ramdas School of Planning
Guru Nanak Dev University
Amritsar, Punjab (India)**

and

**Kanwar Surjit Singh Institute of Spatial Planning and
Environment Research
Panchkula, Haryana**

This Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) is being entered into on 18th day of October 2022.

Between

Guru Ramdas School of Planning, Guru Nanak Dev University, located at Amritsar, Punjab, hereinafter referred to as 'GNDU', legally represented by its Vice Chancellor, as 'Party I'.

And

Kanwar Surjit Singh Institute of Spatial Planning and Environment Research, located at C-1, Amravati Enclave Kalka- Shimla Highway, Panchkula, Haryana (hereinafter referred to as "KSS-ISPER" legally represented by its Secretary General as 'Party II'.

About GNDU, Amritsar, Punjab

GNDU, established at Amritsar (Punjab) on November 24, 1969 has a long tradition of pursuing excellence in teaching and research in science, technology, humanities, social sciences, performing arts and sports. It is one of the premier institution of the country, accredited at "A++" grade (highest level as per modified criteria notified on 27.07.2017) by NAAC and is conferred with status of "University with Potential for Excellence" by UGC. The University supports excellence and innovation in its academic programmes and promotes excellence in research, teaching and collaborative activities at national and international levels.

About KSS-ISPER, Panchkula, Haryana

The KSS-ISPER is a nonprofit making, non-political body primarily established to assist the Government in framing the policies/plan/execution and implementation of various developmental programs. It, as a multi-disciplinary organization, is committed to promote geo-spatial technologies and its applications in various development activities of society, economy and environment through community participation. Achieving the spatial sustainable development in urban, rural including backward areas of India by using the cutting-edge technologies are some of the responsibilities of KSS-ISPER.

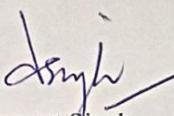
1. The purpose of cooperation between GNDU and KSS-ISPER is to promote cooperative research, training and to facilitate exchange of ideas, development of new knowledge, and to enhance global research acumen. The modes of cooperation would include:
 - a) Faculty visits for collaboration in research and training;
 - b) Student mobility programs for learning and research;
 - c) The development and implementation of cooperative research projects, professional development programs, and capacity-building training programmes aimed at enhancing policy implementation;
 - d) The dissemination of research findings through scholarly publications, and white papers; and
 - e) Efforts to ensure sustainability of the collaborative academic programs.

2. To achieve the goals of this cooperation, both parties will, insofar as the means of each, allow:
 - a) Promote institutional exchange by inviting faculty, students, researchers, and professionals of the partner institutions to participate in appropriate research, training and professional activities;
 - b) Exchange information pertaining to the agreed-upon research and training areas;
 - c) Organize symposia, conferences, and meetings on timely research issues; and
 - d) Develop and carry out joint research programs and consultancy assignments.
3. Each Party will assign a Nodal Person to coordinate different research, consultancy and other activities of mutual agreement.
4. Prior to the initiation of any particular project or activity, the specific terms of cooperation and exchange for the same will be discussed and agreed upon in writing by the appropriate responsible representatives of both institutions.
5. Both parties understand that all financial arrangements for specific research and professional activities must be mutually agreed upon.
6. In addition, the scope of the activities will be subject to funds available at the institutions for the type of collaboration undertaken. Nothing in this Agreement obligates either party to commit or transfer any funds, assets, or other resources in support of projects or activities between the parties.
7. The Parties agree that in the course of implementing this MOU, they will not engage in unlawful discrimination on the grounds of race, gender, sexual orientation, age, religion, social class, national or ethnic origin or disability.
8. This MOU will remain in force for a period of **Three** years initially, from the date of signing the MOU. Prior to the expiry date, the MOU may be reviewed for possible renewal for a further period as decided mutually by the Parties. In addition, either party may terminate the MOU in advance of its normal expiration by informing the other party within thirty (30) days prior written notice.
9. Amendments to this MOU may be made at any time after consultation and agreement between the two Parties. Any such amendments must be in writing signed by both Parties. The MOU can also be suitably modified, as agreed to in writing by both the Parties, to reflect an increased scope, nature of engagement/activities including financial commitments, if any.
10. Neither party may use the name, logo or trademarks of the other party in any advertising, promotional or sales literature, or other publicity, public announcement or suggestion of endorsement without the prior written approval of the other Party.
11. Neither Party 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.

12. Any idea, innovation, training materials, management processes or documentation arising out of this collaboration shall be the intellectual property of the Party that has developed the material. Both Parties may however use such intellectual materials, but with appropriate acknowledgement to the contributions made by either Party.
13. No Institution covered under this MoU 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.
14. Both Parties agreed that in case of any dispute or difference between both arising out of the MoU and in the interpretation of any of the provisions thereof, it shall be resolved mutually by discussion only.

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

For: 
Prof. (Dr.) Jaspal Singh Sandhu
Vice Chancellor
Guru Nanak Dev University
Amritsar, Punjab


Jaswant Singh
Secretary General
Kanwar Surjit Singh Institute of Spatial
Planning and Environment Research
Panchkula, Haryana

(Signature)

(Signature)

18-11-2022
(Date)

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Witness 1: 
(Prof. Ashwani Luthra)

Witness 2: 