Memorandum of Understanding

Between



Estuarine and Coastal Studies Foundation, Howrah, West Bengal

&



Berhampur University, Bhanja Bihar, Berhampur, Odisha

Date: 6th October 2023

Place: Berhampur University, Odisha, India-760007

Director Stuarine and Coastal

1. Purpose & Scope

The purpose of this Memorandum of Understanding (hereinafter referred to as the MoU) is to set forth the terms and conditions, scope of work and responsibilities of the parties associated with their collaboration on various inter-disciplinary research and education related to estuarine and coastal studies.

Introduction of the research, education and out-reach initiatives and progress there upon would be reported time to time to the appropriate authority of the BU and to the Director of ECSF on a regular basis. However, Head Marine science will be the point of contact that will be responsible for co-ordination with each other and also to update the respective parties.

The research facilities and human resources of both the institutions could be utilized in a collaborative manner for the overall benefit of education and research.

2. Financial obligations:

There would no financial commitment involved to execute the terms and conditions of the MoU.

3. Terms and conditions:

It is mutually understood and agreed by and between the Foundations viz. BU and ECSF that:

Article 1: Both the institutes agree on, but are not limited to, the following based on their academic and educational needs and expertise:

- 1. Student dissertation, whenever permissible
- 2. Exchange of academic information and materials, whenever permissible
- 3. Joint research activities and publications, whenever permissible
- 5. Organization and participation in conferences, workshops and academic meetings such as courses, seminars, symposia or lectures.
- 4. Utilization of research Facility of both the University and Foundation at an agrees to consider waiving applicable fee. The aforesaid fee for the research faculty/ scientists having insufficient funding on a case-by-case basis.
- 6. Organizing Joint out-reach initiatives
- 5. Other academic exchanges that both Institutes on agreement, , whenever permissible

Article 2:

The implementation of each exchange programme or joint project based on this agreement shall be negotiated on a case-by-case basis and agreed upon in writing by both the university/ Foundation. Any

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such exchange programme or collaborative project entered into, as outlined above, will form part of this agreement as an appendix.

Article 3:

The exchange programmes and/or projects, as mentioned in Article 2, are not intended to be legally binding documents. They are meant to describe the nature and suggest the guidelines of the programme or project. Nothing, therefore, shall diminish the complete autonomy of either the foundation or the university, nor will any constraint be imposed by either upon the other carrying out the agreement, so long as they do not breach the agreed mutual terms.

Article 4:

To carry out and fulfill the goals of this agreement, the institution or the university shall designate a programme coordinator to develop and coordinate the specific programmes and projects agreed upon. The appendix, as part of the general agreement, shall include such items as

- 1. Description of the responsibilities of the institution and the university for the agreed upon activity.
- 2. Schedule for the specific activity.
- 3. Budget and sources of financing for each activity.
- 4 Any other item deemed necessary for the efficient management of the activity.

The programme coordinators will be responsible for evaluating activities under this agreement according to the practices of the respective parties. Both sides will approve letters of agreement according to the standard procedures adopted by the signatory parties.

Article 5:

- a. Scientists/Faculty members/Researchers and students of the BU and the ECSF may jointly collaborate in various inter-disciplinary research activities and may seek research funding jointly from public and private funding agencies of national and/or international reputes, whenever permissible.
- b. Scientists/Faculty members / Researchers of the BU and the ECSF may mutually use and share research and education facilities. Both the organizations may engage jointly for student internship, dissertations/ project related works for research students by adhering to the existing norms of the both the institutions.

Article 6:

This agreement shall take erect On the day it is signed and shall continue until agreement between the parties. Any terminated changes must be agreed to in writing by both parties. A minimum period of six months notice will be required from either to terminate the agreement.

In witness whereof, the undersigned, duly appointed behalf of the representatives of the parties, have on parties signed the present Memorandum of Understanding, originals at in two (02) Berhampur University on this day 6th October 2023.

For Estuarine and Coastal Studies Foundation, Howrah, West Bengal

For Berhampur University, Odisha

Estuarine and Coastal Studies Foundation,

Howrah, West Bengal

Berhamapur University

REGISTRAR BERHAMPUR UNIVERSITY

Director Estuarine and Coastal Studies Foundation

In presence of witnesses:

1. Kanarlal X2 "

Head of the Department Marine Science, Berhamapur University

2. Debarati Sergulata.

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