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This Memorandum of Understanding ("MOU") is made by and between Gangadhar Meher University hereinafter referred to as GMU, Sambalpur, Odisha, (Which expression unless excluded or is repugnant to the context shall include its successors and assignees) on the First Part

AND

Govt. of India, Ministry of Textile office of the Development Commissioner (Handicrafts) Handicraft Service, Center Shanti Nagar, Budharaja, Sambalpur, Odisha, 768004 (which expression unless excluded or is repugnant to the context shall include its successors and assignees), on the other part.

Each referred to individually as a "Party" and together as the "Parties",

Objective: The MoU was drawn up and agreed upon to establish academic (Summer Internship Project), Handicrafts, and allied cooperation between Gangadhar Meher University, Sambalpur, Odisha, and Govt. of India, Ministry of Textile office of the Development Commissioner (Handicrafts) Handicraft Service Center Shanti Nagar, Budharaja, Sambalpur, Odisha.

ARTICLE -1. Purpose

The purpose of this MoU is

- To enable cooperation between G.M. University, Sambalpur, Odisha and Govt. of India, Ministry of Textile office of the Development Commissioner (Handicrafts) Handicraft Service Center Shanti Nagar, Budharaja, Sambalpur, Odisha.
- To strengthen the relationship between both the parties by developing collaboration in various academic, research, and internship projects, training in the areas of Handicrafts, and faculty and student development activities in areas of mutual interest.

ARTICLE-2. SCOPE/AREAS OF COOPERATION

Objectives

- The MoU relates to proposed links between the GMU, Sambalpur, and Govt. of India, Ministry of Textile office of the Development Commissioner (Handicrafts) Handicraft Service Center Shanti Nagar, Budharaja, Sambalpur, Odisha with special reference to the craft Demonstration cum awareness programme for generating employment opportunities in this region. Both parties propose to participate and cooperate in mutual discussion and joint activities concerning the following:

Responsibilities:

Both the parties do hereby agree to undertake the following:

- **Collaborative Project Development:** Both parties will collaborate on academic, research, and internship projects, fostering a conducive environment for joint initiatives aimed at advancing the understanding and promotion of the Handicrafts sector. This entails sharing resources, expertise, and knowledge for the development of various projects.
- **Training and Skill Enhancement:** Facilitating training programs in Handicrafts is a key responsibility, ensuring the transfer of specialized skills and knowledge. Both parties will work on developing and implementing training modules, workshops, and seminars to enhance the competencies of students, faculty, and artisans in the domain of Handicrafts.

- **Faculty and Student Development:** Engaging in activities aimed at the development of both faculty members and students is a core commitment. This involves arranging skill-building exercises, seminars, and knowledge-sharing sessions related to Handicrafts to enrich the academic and practical understanding of the subject.
- **Mutual Interest Pursuits:** Encouraging and supporting activities of mutual interest, both academic and practical, within the Handicrafts domain. This includes identifying and working on areas of joint interest for research, innovation, and skill development to further the growth and advancement of the sector.
- **Resource Sharing and Collaboration:** Foster a culture of collaboration by sharing resources, facilities, and infrastructure to maximize the development of Handicrafts.

These responsibilities are outlined in the Memorandum of Understanding to establish a framework for collaboration between Gangadhar Meher University and the Government of India, Ministry of Textile, Office of the Development Commissioner (Handicrafts), Handicraft Service Center in Sambalpur, Odisha.

ARTICLE-3. DURATION, TERMINATION, AND AMENDMENT

- 3.1. This MoU will be effective from the date of signing by both parties for 03 years and may be subjected to extensions by mutual consent in writing.
- 3.2. Either party may terminate this MoU by giving three (03) months advance notice in writing.
- 3.3. The provisions of this MoU may be amended at any time with the mutual consent of the parties in writing.
- 3.4. The amendment, termination, and expiration of this MoU will not affect the terms of activities ongoing at the time of notification of the amendment, termination, or expiration unless otherwise agreed upon between the two parties.

ARTICLE-4. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- 4.1. This memorandum of Understanding shall not give rise to any financial obligation by one party to the other

4.2. Each party shall bear its own cost and expense in the implementation of this Memorandum of Understanding.

This MoU is prepared in two identical sets. Each party holds one original copy.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned parties have each set their hand to this MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING on the _____ at /G.M. University, Sambalpur/ Govt. of India, Ministry of Textile office of the Development Commissioner (Handicrafts) Handicraft Service Center Shanti Nagar, Budharaja, Sambalpur, Odisha.

For and on behalf of

For Gangadhar Meher University, Sambalpur, Odisha

Name : Prof. N. Nagaraju
Designation: Vice Chancellor

Name: Smt. Jugaleswari Dash
Designation: Registrar, G.M. University

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09/11/2023

For Development Commissioner (Handicrafts) Handicraft Service Center Shanti Nagar, Budharaja, Sambalpur, Odisha

Name : KUMARI SHAILJA
Designation: ASSISTANT DIRECTOR (HANDICRAFTS)

Kumari Shailja 09.11.2023

In the presence of the witnesses

1. *Dr. Binisanku Dash*
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