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Memorandum of Understanding

between

Centre for Disability Research and Training (CDRT)

Kirori Mal College, University of Delhi

&

Vasanta College for Women, Rajghat, Varanasi, U.P.

Admitted to the Privileges of Banaras Hindu University

This Memorandum of Understanding ("MoU") has been executed on this day of 24th of November, 2022

Between

Centre for Disability Research and Training (hereinafter referred to as "CDRT"), **Kirori Mal College, New Delhi** a constituent college of University of Delhi, New Delhi having its office at University of Delhi, Delhi-110007, who is authorized to sign and execute this MoU as the first party of the **One Part**;

And

Vasanta College for Women, (hereinafter referred to as "VCW") Rajghat, Varanasi, Uttar Pradesh, 221 001, who is authorized to sign and execute this MoU as second party of the **Other Part**;

WHEREAS First Party and Second Party may be collectively referred to as the "Parties" or individually as a "Party."

The objective of CDRT is to popularize disability studies as a legitimate field of intellectual inquiry within the Indian academia, promote concerted research in the area, spread awareness about disability and foster a culture of disability allyship in

undertake steps to provide the students with disability with a wholesome inclusive educational experience within the campus and beyond.

VCW in keeping with its rich history and legacy in being a pioneer in higher education among women, a need was identified to venture into the arena of Disability Studies both theoretical as well as practical research being undertaken furthering the cause of it inclusive pedagogical ethos by accommodating its PwD students within its flexible curriculum and teaching and learning processes.

With this in mind, both parties, CDRT and VCW are planning to come together and partner in their effort to realise the above goals. CDRT and VCW have agreed to collaborate under its vision SANKALP- a project that aims to promote the academic discipline of disability studies and create an inclusive pedagogical ethos among various institutions of higher learning across the country.

1. Objectives of the MoU: The purpose of the MoU is to arrive at a framework and to agree, understand and enter into formal agreement for collaboration between the two parties:

- 1.1. To establish a Disability Research and Training Unit at VCW on the lines of CDRT.
- 1.2. To design and evolve academic courses on disability studies that can be offered to students at VCW.
- 1.3. To evolve research projects that can be carried out by students and faculty at VCW in collaboration with CDRT.
- 1.4. To enable VCW to plan and organize disability awareness campaigns within its campus to sensitize its students and faculties.
- 1.5. To help VCW to draft and implement a well-defined disability policy in tune with the UGC's guidelines 2022 and any amendments to the guidelines in future.
- 1.6. To create systems and structures that could enable VCW to provide its students with a wholesome and inclusive educational experience.
- 1.7. To foster and promote a culture of disability allyship amongst the students and faculty of VCW by developing and implementing disability allied development programmes.

2. Roles and Responsibilities:

- 2.1. The project will be housed at VCW and the Principal of VCW shall authorize the CDRT in collaboration of VCW to roll out and implement the project in VCW.
- 2.2. The Principal of VCW, in consultation with the CDRT shall, from amongst the faculty members of the college, appoint one project coordinator and one project co-coordinator to oversee and supervise the implementation of the project.
- 2.3. In order to plan and implement the said project, VCW would collaborate with CDRT, the latter acting as an honorary consultant.
- 2.4. CDRT will provide its expertise to VCW in the area of disability studies and educational inclusion by offering guidance, training, system and processes in the area of accessibility and inclusion for persons with disabilities.
- 2.5. For its part VCW will implement the mutually planned and agreed strategy for promoting disability studies within its curriculum, other academic activities pertaining to disability, disability awareness campaigns and educational inclusion for persons with disabilities on its campus.

If any project is taken up by VCW in consultation with CDRT, the expenses will be borne by VCW subject to the availability of funds. Similarly if any project is taken up by CDRT in collaboration with VCW, the expenses will be borne by CDRT.

3. Duration:

This MOU will be in force for a period of Five years from the date of signing.
This agreement can be terminated by either party with a 03 months advance notice to the other party.

4. Representation and Warranty:

All parties represent and warrant that they are under no contractual or other restrictions or obligations which are inconsistent with the execution of this agreement or which will interfere with the performance of the engagement.

The parties are entering into this agreement with the full intention of promoting disability studies as an academic discipline and an area of inter-disciplinary research, spreading awareness about disability and ensuring educational inclusion for persons with disabilities. Either or both parties cannot be held liable for any shortcoming / problem that may arise during the process.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties hereto have executed this MOU on the day, month and year set out above.

Signed and delivered by the within named

Prof. Vibha Singh Chauhan

Chairperson, CDRT cum Principal, KMC (University of Delhi)

V. Chauhan
(प्रो. विभा सिंह चौहान)
Prof. Vibha Singh Chauhan
प्राचार्या/Principal

किरोड़ी मल कॉलेज/Kirori Mal College
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Someshwar
In the presence of (witness):

1. Prof. Someshwar Sati

Signed and delivered by the within named

Alka Singh
24.11.2022
Prof. Alka Singh

Principal, VCW, Rajghat (Banaras Hindu University)

PRINCIPAL
VASANTA COLLEGE FOR WOMEN
RAJGHAT FORT, VARANASI

Akankshi
In the presence of (witness):

1. Dr. Akankshi Srivastava