

## Sharath Institute of higher education and research



(Declared as Deemed-to-be University under section 3 of UGC Act, 1956) (Vide Notification No. F.9-5/2000 - U.3, Ministry of Human Resource Development, Govt. of India, dated 4° July 2002)

# MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

#### **BETWEEN**

# BHARATH INSTITUTE OF HIGHER EDUCATION AND RESEARCH,

(Declared as Deemed to be University under section 3 of UGC Act, 1956)

(CHENNAI, TAMILNADU, INDIA)

AND

TBILISI OPEN TEACHING UNIVERSITY, (GEORGIA)

28<sup>th</sup> September 2021 (Tuesday)

The parties hereby enter into the agreement:

Party A: Bharath Institute of Higher Education and Research, BIHER (Declared as Deemed to be University under section 3 of the UGC Act, 1956) is providing multi-stream, multi-cultural and high quality education in the fields of Engineering, Medical, Dental, Nursing, Law, Management, Arts and Science, Allied sciences and Agricultural Sciences to nearly 10,000 students from around the world. in verticals such as engineering and technology, medical and allied health sciences. It is functioning in a sprawling area of 305 acres of land with 13 million Sq.ft. buildings located in 6 Campuses both in Tamil Nadu and Pudhucherry with the state of the art infrastructure facilities, Center for Research. There are well qualified Teaching Faculty members to teach various UG and PG programs and to guide Ph.D. Research. Currently, the university pursues intense research BIHER has been accredited by National Assessment and Academic Council (NAAC) with A Grade, also ABET Accredited for Four branches of Engineering Namely Mechanical, Civil, EEE and ECE. The National Institutional Ranking Frame work (NIRF) – 2021 Ministry of Human Resources and Development, New Delhi has Ranked our Institution as No.51st in University Category and 75th in Overall Category.

Bharath Institute of Higher Education & Research (BIHER), Deemed to be University is a multi-stream University situated in the heart of the Chennai city and Puducherry a privileged location offering, Medical, Dental, Engineering & Technology, Nursing, Physiotherapy, Pharmacy, Agricultural Science, Architecture, Arts & Science, Management, Law & Allied Health Sciences with 2,101 Dedicated Faculties, 3,609 Non-Teaching Staff and Student Strength of 18,372.

Party B: Tbilisi Open University (TOU) was established in 2002 and it is highly ranked institution offering bachelors, masters and one step medical programs through its 4 schools and multiple degree courses. TOU create opportunities for the students to make the most of their student life - providing the people, places and programs that support their growth, wellness and success both within and outside of the classroom - at TOU and in the world beyond. TOU is one of the fastest growing universities on the market with around 400 staff and more than 2000 students a considerable part of whom come from outside Georgia. Diversity, student-centered environment and top-notch quality education led university to be ranked at the highest level by students and alumni in 2016. The new state-of-the-art building and facilities supports University's vision to be the leading university for creative and professional practice inspired by innovation and enquiry. This modern, vibrant learning environment houses superb facilities, including science labs, subject specific classrooms equipped with the latest teaching technology, student workspaces, conference rooms and simulation labs. There is a library of the highest standards with an access to the high impact publications that gives students and faculty access to any kind of literature they wish both on and off campus. In partnership with member institutions, TOU is able to send and receive students and academics to and from our partner universities around the world to be connected to high-quality, academic programs.

Herein after collectively referred to as the Parties.

The Parties, through friendly consultation, enter the agreement with the following missions:

#### I. Exchange of Students

Bharath Institute of Higher Education and Research (BIHER, India) and Tbilisi Open University (TOU, Georgia) agrees to send students to each other for further studies and research projects. Operational details, such as the number of exchange of students of both Undergraduate and Postgraduate program the duration of exchanges and the terms of exchange including financial terms thereof (e,g provision of services) will be agreed to by the parties prior to start of the exchange programs.

#### II. Exchange of Faculty Members in Medicine, IT and Data Science

Bharath Institute of Higher Education and Research (BIHER, India) and Tbilisi Open University (TOU, Georgia) agrees to send faculty members to each other for giving lectures etc. Operational details, such as the number of exchange teachers, the duration of exchanges and the terms of exchange including financial terms thereof (e,g provision of services) will be agreed to by the parties prior to start of the exchange programs.

#### III. Joint Programmes in Medicine, IT and Data Science

The parties agree to jointly promote programs in Medicine, IT and Data Science at their respective regions. The cost of promotions will be shared by both the parties.

# IV. Possibility for the medical students having clinical practice covered in the Hospital and the other way around.

The parties have agreed to provide adequate facilities for the Medical Students, so exchanged, mainly in the areas of Clinical Practice covered in the respective Hospitals. This will enable the students to have gainful experience and help them in treating the patients at different atmosphere including the climatic conditions

#### V. Joint Academic Conferences/Seminars/Workshops

The parties will collaborate in organization of events such as conferences/seminars/workshops/faculty training programs, etc on the themes/issues of mutual interest and needs. The events will be held in India or Georgia, as agreed between the parties, and subject to securing the necessary financing or sponsorship, including the collection of conference fees.

#### **Terms and Termination**

This agreement will be effective from the date of signing by the parties and it will be in force for a period of three years. The agreement can be renewed for additional three-year period by mutual consent of the parties to the MoU. Each party reserves the right to terminate this agreement giving written notice three months prior to the proposed termination date.

This MoU is not intended to be legally binding and no legal obligations or legal rights shall arise between the parties from this MoU. However, the parties enter into the MoU intending to honor all of its provisions.

Signed on behalf of BIHER:

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Dr. R. Hariprakash

Additional Registrar,

Bharath Institute of Higher Education and Research, (Declared as Deemed to be University under section 3 of UGC Act, 1956)

Selaiyur, Chennai 600073,

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Date:

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President,

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Date:

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### SCREEN SHOTS of MOU BIHER & GEORGIA held on 28.09.21

