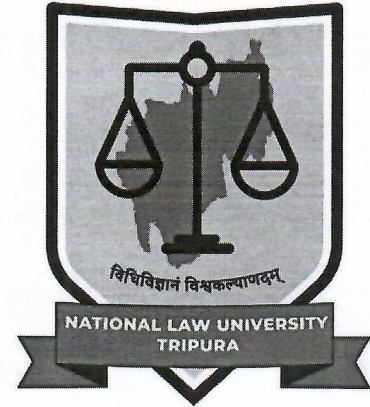
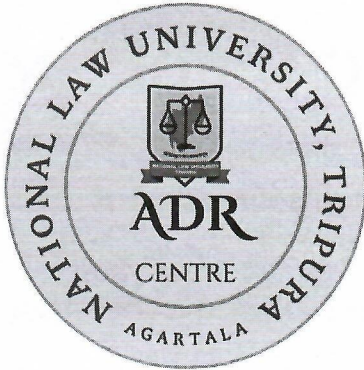


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BETWEEN



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AND

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Preamble

This Memorandum of Understanding (“MoU”) is entered into on this 11th (Eleventh) day of SEPTEMBER, 2025, at AGARTALA, WEST TRIPURA, by and between:

1. **ADR Research Centre of the National Law University, Tripura** (hereinafter “NLUT – ADR Centre”), having its principal office at Agartala, West Tripura, represented by **Prof. (Dr.) Yogesh Pratap Singh, Vice-Chancellor, NLU Tripura**, duly authorized for this purpose.
2. **AIIMAS**, a non-profit company incorporated under Section 8 of the Companies Act, 2013, having its registered office at New Delhi, represented by **Adv. K. K. Mukhija, Director, AIIMAS**, duly authorized for this purpose.

Together referred to as the “Parties” and individually as a “Party.”



Objective

The objective of this MoU is to foster **collaboration in the field of Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR)** through joint research, mediation practice, training, education, and outreach, consistent with national and international standards.

Scope of Collaboration

The Parties agree to engage in:

- Collaborative research and joint publications on the thematic areas of Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR).
- Conduct of joint mediation sessions, mediation clinics, and ADR training programs in online or offline mode for the local communities, government officers, lawyers, judges, college and universities teachers, corporate and industry professionals and other professional persons in Tripura, subject to the mutual convenience of the parties herein above mentioned.
- Submission of joint research proposals to national and international funding agencies, as may be agreeable to both the parties.
- Internships and mentorship opportunities for students from NLU Tripura may be facilitated at AIIMAS twice a year with a maximum of 8 students and minimum of 4 students at a time, as may be placed by AIIMAS.
- Knowledge-sharing initiatives including joint conferences, seminars, and policy initiatives, if agreeable to both the parties.
- Development of ADR training handbooks, academic resources, and awareness programs materials.

Roles and Responsibilities

NLUT – ADR Centre

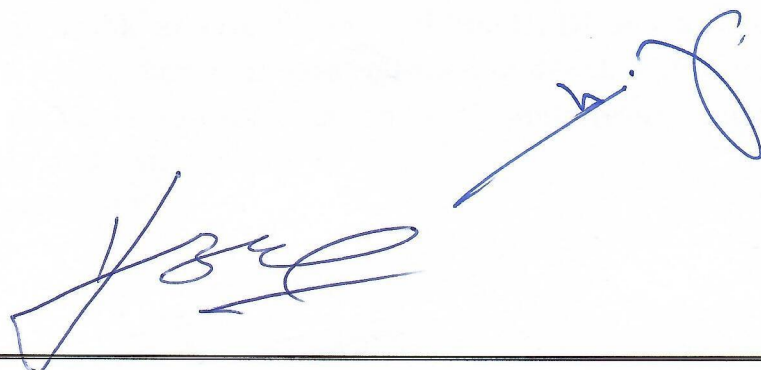
- Provide academic expertise, research guidance, and access to library/learning resources.
- Host ADR training programs, clinics, and academic events.
- Nominate and place student interns and researchers with AIIMAS.
- Facilitate publication and dissemination of joint research outputs.

AIIMAS

- Provide institutional and operational infrastructure and technical resource persons for training and mediation sessions of NLU Tripura's nominated members at AIIMAS Office at New Delhi as part of the ongoing training programmes being organised by AIIMAS.
- Host interns and support student researchers in ADR practice-oriented work.
- Mobilize resources and partnerships for joint programs, proposals, and events, on mutually agreeable terms.

Joint Responsibilities

- Establish a Joint Steering Committee for planning and oversight of activities.
- Develop and implement ADR curricula, training programs, and workshops.
- Submit joint research and funding proposals.
- Uphold confidentiality, academic integrity, and recognition of contribution at all times.



Governance

A Joint Steering Committee of representatives from both Parties shall meet at least twice yearly (online) to review progress, assess impact, and plan new initiatives.

Financial Considerations

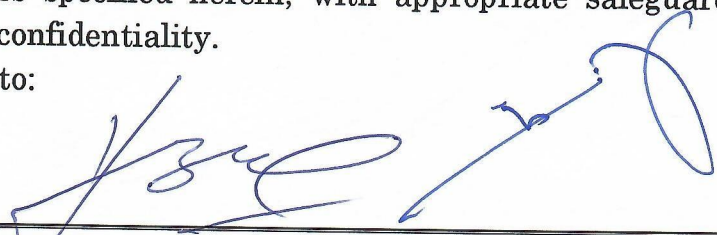
This MoU itself does not create binding financial obligations. Specific projects requiring funding shall be governed by supplementary agreements.

Confidentiality and Non-Disclosure

Each Party undertakes to maintain strict confidentiality of case files, unpublished data, mediation records, and proprietary information, and shall disclose it only with prior written consent or when mandated by law.

Data Privacy and Protection

- The Parties agree to handle all personal data, case-related information, and research data in compliance with the Digital Personal Data Protection Act, 2023 and its amendments and Rules thereof as and when may be enacted and notified by the Govt. of India from time to time and, where international collaborations are involved, in alignment with global data protection standards as applicable and consistent with the DPDP Act, 2023.
- Personal and sensitive personal data collected under this MoU will only be used for the purposes specified herein, with appropriate safeguards to ensure integrity and confidentiality.
- Both Parties commit to:



- Minimizing collection of personal data to what is necessary.
- Ensuring secure storage and controlled access to personal and case-related information.
- Training personnel, interns, and researchers on data handling protocols.
- Any data breach or unauthorized disclosure must be reported immediately to the other Party, and both Parties will cooperate in mitigating risks and remedies.
- This Data Privacy Clause shall **survive termination** of the MoU.

Intellectual Property Rights

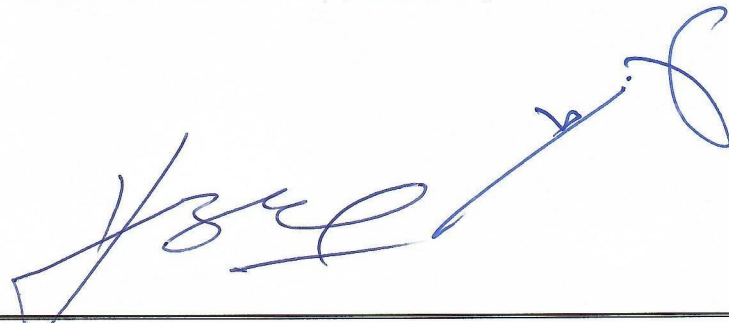
Intellectual property from joint work will be jointly owned, unless a separate written agreement specifies otherwise. Publications and outputs shall credit contributions of both Parties.

Liability

Both Parties will be responsible for their respective acts and omissions during the implementation of this MoU. Neither Party will be liable for indirect, consequential, or reputational damages.

Duration and Termination

- Valid for two (2) years from signing.
- Renewable upon mutual written agreement.
- Either Party may terminate with three (3) months prior written notice.

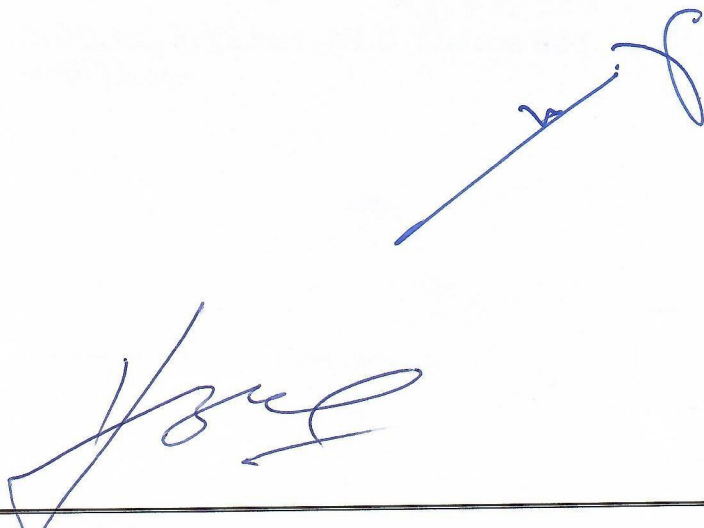


Dispute Resolution

Disputes will first be addressed through mutual consultation and negotiation. The dispute if any with regard to the financial implications or contract involving funding shall be tried to be resolved mutually by the process of mediation with the facilitation of a neutral mediator to be appointed by both the parties. In the event of failure of any mediation process, such dispute shall be resolved through the arbitration process under the Arbitration and Conciliation Act, 1996, the terms of which shall be specifically mentioned in such contracts if any entered into by the parties.

Nature of Agreement

This MoU represents a framework of intent for cooperation. Binding obligations, particularly financial or project-specific, shall only arise from subsequent written agreements.



Signatories

For ADR Research Centre, NLU Tripura

Name: Prof. (Dr.) Yogesh Pratap Singh

Designation: Vice-Chancellor

Signature:

Date: September 11, 2025

Place: Agartala, West Tripura

For AIIMAS

Name: Adv. K. K. Mukhija, Director, AIIMAS

Designation: Director, AIIMAS

Signature:

Date: September 11, 2025

Place: Agartala, West Tripura

Signature of Witnesses:

1. Prof. (Dr.) Nachiketa Mittal, Registrar, NLU Tripura and
Director, ADR Research Centre

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