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**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MOU)**

Between

**UNIVERSITY OF ENGINEERING AND MANAGEMENT KOLKATA**

Plot No. III, B/5, New Town Rd, Action Area III, Newtown, New Town, West Bengal 743502,  
India

AND

**NATIONAL LAW UNIVERSITY, TRIPURA**

Narsingarh, Agartala, Singarbil, Tripura 799009, India

**PREAMBLE**

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MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (M.O.U.)

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AND

The National Law University, Tripura, hereinafter referred to as NLU-T at Narsingarh, Agartala, Singarbil, Tripura, India, was established by Act No. 3 of 2022 of Tripura is a national institution of excellence in legal education located in the green capital city of Agartala. It is a milestone in the field of legal education and research in the State of Tripura for improving the quality of professional legal education. At present NLU Tripura is housed in the beautiful campus of Tripura Judicial Academy with state-of-the-art facilities for teaching and research. The pristine environment of Agartala affords ideal conditions for the pursuit of knowledge, being the Second Party herein.

Whereas UEMK was established to satisfy the need of having a center of excellence in the Eastern part of the country and to advance the cause of learning, teaching, research, and dissemination of knowledge in diverse fields of study, with the law being one of the prime focuses. UEMK is affiliated with UGC and approved by the Bar Council of India, AICTE etc. With all its modern facilities and infrastructure, the UEMK provides a pleasant environment for the students for all-round development.

The University, as the First Party, is committed to achieving excellence in academia and creating an interdisciplinary research culture.

NLU-T INDIA as the Second Party is a unique, dedicated, research-oriented educational institute focusing on Academic Excellence with a total commitment to Quality Education, Research, Training, Consultancy, and Outreach in Crime and Security Sciences with a holistic concern for better life, environment, and society.

## **1: TERMS OF COLLABORATION**

**1.1** The UEMK, and the NLU-T INDIA may offer joint Ph.D. programme (Refer Schedule I), certificate courses in but not limited to Artificial Intelligence(AI) and Law, Cyber Laws and Cybersecurity, Intellectual Property Laws, Environmental Law, Criminal Law, Constitutional Law, International Law at these institutions from time to time on mutually agreeable terms and conditions, separately agreed upon both in offline and online modes.

**1.2** The parties shall jointly organize seminars, conferences, etc. Faculty members of the University and Members of NLU-T INDIA shall be invited to important seminars and conferences and to conduct training and other events. The financial implications of joint organization of programs shall be worked out on a case-to-case basis;

**1.3** Research Scholars and Teaching Faculty of both the UEMK, and the members of NLU-T INDIA will explore the possibility of taking up collaborative research work and also apply for funding from national and international agencies, governments, and other funding agencies, following relevant regulations and laws applicable to the respective parties;

**1.4** Any financial implication emerging out of such collaborations (other than the fees of the students/participants in any event organized jointly, etc.) shall be worked out, and a decision will be taken with mutual agreement.

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**1.5** Both Institutions shall appoint Nodal Officer(s) who will facilitate the execution of this MoU, by coordinating and communicating relevant information within their respective institutes and arrange consultations for a review of the activities envisaged under this MoU as required. It will be the responsibility of each Institution to inform the other in writing if there is a change in the Nodal Officer(s). Considering NLU-T is a University of legal education, the Nodal officer from UEMK shall be appointed from its Department of Law (IIIJS).

**1.6** Both Institutions shall exchange their scholars, experts, faculties, trainers, mentors, interns, and mentees as per the programs arranged by either Institution.

**1.7** In the event of jointly organized programs, both Institutions shall have to decide mutually about the availability of conveyance, lodging-boarding, and other expenses, etc. well in advance.

**1.8** Both Institutions shall demonstrate synergy of efforts as a team for smooth conduct of courses/programs etc. and ensure direct interface with one another without involving external agencies.

**1.9** Both Institutions shall take all reasonable steps to ensure the successful completion of the collaboration and cooperate in duly carrying out the obligations agreed upon.

**1.10** All the stakeholders must observe the rules and regulations of the respective institutions.

**1.11** The terms of such mutual assistance and cooperation shall be discussed and agreed upon in writing by the appropriate representatives of both parties before the initiation of any program or activity.

**1.12** Neither Institution shall be liable to the other for any delays or failure to perform its part because of any event beyond its reasonable control, including acts of God, fire, floods accidents, terrorism, pandemics, strikes, or riots, and Neither Institution will go for any court cases for any damages nor try to implement any legal actions.

**1.13** Implementation of this MOU in part or whole is based on mutual trust and action and nothing as a legal partnership should be construed by both institutions.

**1.14** In case of any dispute that may crop up regarding the execution of the MoU, the matter would be settled through amicable settlement and no legal dispute should be taken to court.

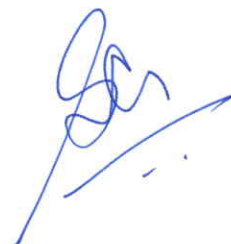
**1.15.** Both Institutions, NLU-T INDIA and UEMK. will exchange information on research and educational programmes and teaching/learning material and other materials relevant to their educational and research programmes.

## **2. AREAS OF CO-OPERATION**

This Memorandum expresses a mutual desire by UEMK, and NLU-T INDIA, to cooperate in building intellectual and research capacity and scholarship in the multiple areas of law and social sciences. Both parties' separate written consent may add additional areas of co-operation. Both parties will act in good faith to ensure that the objectives of this Memorandum are realized.

## **3. TERMS OF AGREEMENT**

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Progress in realizing the terms and conditions referred to herein will be reviewed periodically as mutually agreed. The Memorandum may be amended in writing at any point by mutual consent.

#### **4. STUDENT INTERNSHIPS**

UEMK, and NLU-T INDIA agree to allow student internships between institutions. The number of students and duration of internships will depend on availability and will be worked out on a case-to-case basis.

#### **5. INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY AND CONFIDENTIALITY**

**5.1** In respect of each project and program of co-operation, the parties shall negotiate and mutually agree in writing on their respective rights to intellectual property and commercial exploitation of the same (including, without limitation, trademarks and service marks, copyrights, patents, designs and confidential information about it), jointly developed by the parties.

**5.2** Neither party shall, at any time, disclose to any third party any confidential information of the other party that is acquired during activities under this Memorandum, e.g., a collaborative project or a program, without the other party's prior consent in writing.

**5.3** The confidentiality obligations herein will not apply to information in the public domain; information in the possession of the receiving party before the disclosure of the information; information that the receiving party independently develops; information required to be released by law; and information which the receiving party rightfully receives from third parties without any breach of confidentiality obligations.

#### **6. NON-BINDING NATURE OF MEMORANDUM**

Nothing in this Memorandum shall be construed as creating any contract, partnership, agency, or other legal relationship between the parties. This Memorandum is a non-binding statement of intent to foster genuine and mutually beneficial collaboration.

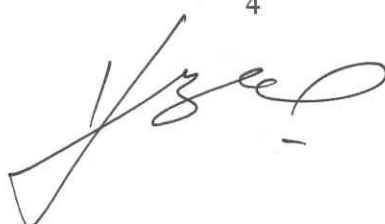
#### **7. TERMINATION**

**7.1** This Memorandum shall come into force immediately after the parties' signatures are completed.

**7.2** The validity of this Memorandum of Understanding is initially for three years from the date of its execution, and the same can be further extended on mutual agreement.

**7.3** Either party can terminate this Memorandum of understanding by giving three months' written notice to the other and without jeopardizing the specific work already undertaken with mutual agreement. The implementation and/or continuance of programs or projects established according to this Memorandum before the effective date of termination shall not be affected by the termination of this Memorandum.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF** this Memorandum of Understanding is executed by the parties hereto on the date of signing the Memorandum of Understanding by the two parties.

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## SCHEDULE – I

### Regulation pertaining to the proposed Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) for Joint PhD Program Between UEM Kolkata and National Law University, Tripura.

#### Objective:

The primary objective of this MOU is to establish a framework for cooperation and collaboration between Party A and Party B in the establishment and operation of a Joint PhD Program.

#### Terms of Agreement:

##### 1. Program Framework:

- The Joint PhD Program shall be in the field of Law and allied domain to keep the scope of interdisciplinary studies open and shall follow a structured curriculum and research plan, as notified by the University in line with UGC PhD Regulations.
- Research work leading to PhD degree shall be carried out at the NLUT or UEMK, as per the requirement. Research Infrastructure / Laboratory / Library or equivalent facilities required for the specific PhD programme shall be provided by the NLUT or UEMK as per the requirement. Necessary Ethical Committee clearance, if required would be provided by the University as per its policy.
- The PhD degree will be awarded by UEMK by the provisions of PhD regulations 2017 and its amendment time to time in accordance with UGC regulations 2016/2022 and its amendments as implemented by the University.
- The Doctoral Committee will be constituted by the University Research Committee as per the UEMK PhD regulations 2023 and its amendment time to time in accordance with UGC regulations 2016/2022 and its amendments as implemented by the University. In case of sister institutes, under the provision of MOU, PhD research supervisor could be appointed from the sponsored sister institutes.
- The joint PhD programme that includes PhD registration, coursework and thesis submission shall be as per the UEMK PhD regulations 2023 and its amendment time to time in accordance with UGC regulations 2016/2022 and its amendments as implemented by the University.
- Sponsored institute/ Candidate concerned, will pay the enrolment /registration fees and thesis submission fees along with semester fees in favour of UEMK only, as per the PhD fees structure as applicable at that point of time.
- IPR generated through the joint PhD Programme will be shared equally between the awarding and the sponsored institution. Any publication/copyright/patent or its equivalent will reflect the name of the University clearly.

##### 2. Student Admission and Supervision:



- Admission criteria and procedures for students entering the Joint PhD Program shall be mutually agreed upon by both parties.
- Supervision of students shall be a collaborative effort between faculties of both institutions, ensuring exposure to diverse perspectives and resources.
- ICSP will appoint supervisor from their end. Co-supervisor enrolment if required to be done on mutual agreement basis, either from First Party or Second Party.

### **3. Curriculum and Research Requirements:**

- The curriculum will encompass both coursework and research components, adhering to the standards set forth by the University.
- Research activities, including thesis/dissertation requirements, shall be in accordance with the guidelines provided in UGC Ph.D. Regulation 2022 and its amendment time to time as implemented by the University.

### **4. Resource Sharing:**

- NLUT-INDIA and UEMK both shall provide access to necessary resources, including but not limited to libraries, laboratories, and academic support services.

### **5. Degree Award and Recognition:**

- Successful completion of the Joint PhD Program will result in the award of a conferred degree by the University, subject to meeting the academic standards set by both the parties.

### **6. Duration and Review:**

- This MOU shall be effective from the date of signing and shall remain in force for 3 years.
- Periodic evaluations and reviews will be conducted jointly to assess the effectiveness and quality of the program.

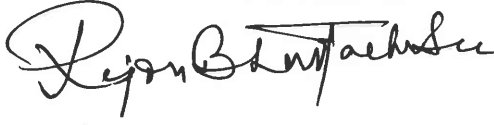
### **Execution & Signatures (Final Page)**

This Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) is hereby executed by the two Institutions on 11/04/2026 by the Authorities of the UEM Kolkata and by the Vice Chancellor of National Law University, Agartala, Tripura in presence of the witnesses named below:



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Signature:

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Chancellor, University of Engineering and  
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**Witness**

<b>For National Law University, Tripura</b>	<b>For University of Engineering and Management Kolkata</b>
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