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**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING  
BETWEEN**



**INDIAN INSTITUTE OF PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION (IIPA), NEW DELHI**

**AND**



**NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY SIKKIM, SIKKIM**

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This MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING is arrived at Ravangla on **this 4<sup>th</sup> day of the month of December** in the year two thousand and twenty-four

**Between**

**Indian Institute of Public Administration**, which has its principal office at New Delhi in the Republic of India, represented by its Director General **Shri Surendra Nath Tripathi** herein after referred to as **IIPA** which expression shall always include its successors or assignees or any organization or agency claiming any rights through it

**And**

**National Institute of Technology Sikkim**, an Institute of National Importance, functioning under the aegis of Ministry of Education, Government of India, which operates from its temporary campus in Ravangla, Namchi, Sikkim in the Republic of India, represented by its Director **Prof. Mahesh Chandra Govil**, hereinafter referred to as **NITSK**, whose expression shall always include its successors or assignees, or any organization or agency claiming rights through it.

**WHEREAS,**

**IIPA** is an apex level training Institute imparting training to senior officers of the Government of India and the State Governments.

**IIPA**, either on its own or through its various centers/agencies or alumni, is also engaged in undertaking, conducting or supporting research, developing training materials and their publication, carrying out field studies, collecting data and compiling and preparing data-bases for various sectors of governance, and in advising government or its agencies;

**IIPA** has its network with other Central and State Administrative Training Institutes and has organic links with Universities, Institutes and Academies in India and abroad and it is



desirous of enlarging its network base; and

**NITSK** is an institute of National Importance which works under the aegis of Ministry of Education, Government of India

In a fast-changing global scenario there is an urgent need to train the faculty of Universities by organizing Training of Trainer's (ToT) programs and focus on crucial issues related to New Education Policy, Public administration, Climate Change, Disaster Management, e-governance, Consumer Affairs, resource management, internal security, criminal justice, road safety, gender sensitization, cybercrime and other related fields. Academicians, researchers, students, social scientists, lawyers and administrators have a pivotal role in shaping the future of our nation with honesty, commitment and far-ranging vision. Indian Institute of Public Administration is a premier organization for Capacity Building and considered as think tank of the Government. The collaboration will enhance the vision and horizon of the faculty of NITSK and provide a common platform for discussion, seminar, conferences and other academic activities.

**WHEREAS**, both parties hereto are desirous into entering an agreement whereby they can collaborate and work together with each other in academic areas of mutual interest for mutual benefit;

**AND WHEREAS** both parties have discussed the matter at an administrative and technical level, and have decided to enter into an agreement by this Memorandum of Understanding.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, the parties agree as follows:

1. Both parties shall identify certain areas of interest and expertise, in which IIPA could assist NITSK in establishing itself as the center of excellence in select areas of their specialization and those areas where both institutes can collaborate for mutual benefits.
2. Both parties shall devise mutually agreed mechanisms for exchanging faculty for relevant programs or projects or activities on occasional basis and sharing the information (hard or soft copies) that are considered to be of interest to them.
3. Either party may decide to organize or conduct training programs / projects related to



training, training of trainers (ToT) /seminars/ research/ consulting, etc or a part thereof, a specific academic module or a part thereof, in the institute of the other party.

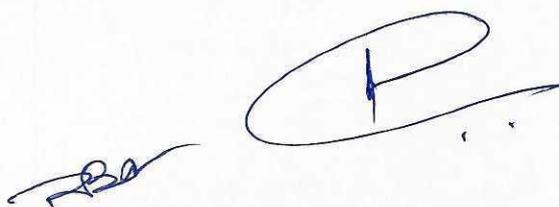
4. For each assignment of work undertaken by the parties hereto under this MoU, the extent of services by each party and fee for services to be rendered, if any, and the terms of payment shall be worked out separately.
5. Indian Institute of Public Administration faculty members can be external supervisors of Ph.D. projects and master's dissertation in selected areas such as Public Administration, Disaster Management, Climate Change, Behavioral science and other subjects decided by the Senate of NITSK.
6. In order to facilitate the efficient functioning of operations, it is agreed to by both parties that the heads of both institutions will nominate two persons each (one from academic and one from administration side) to work as technical working group members to oversee and supervise operations on their behalf.
7. Neither party shall assign or transfer its rights and obligations herein to any other third party without the prior written consent of the other party.
8. It is agreed by both parties that neither party can withdraw from the MoU, before providing thirty (30) days written notice. In such cases, the withdrawing party will compensate the other party for any cost incurred by the other party in consequence thereof.
9. The term of this MoU, effective from the date of signing, will be valid for five (05) years and may be extended upon written mutual agreement.
10. The two parties will review the terms of this agreement every six months, to ensure that it is fulfilling its purpose and to make any necessary revisions and changes.
11. In the event of disputes between the parties, the same shall be resolved amicably. If the parties are unable to do so, the same shall be referred to an arbitrator appointed by

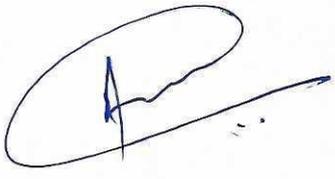
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mutual consent. The arbitrator's award shall be final and binding on all parties.

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