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Memorandum of Understanding

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between

Greater Cochin Development Authority (GCDA), Kadavanthra, Pin 682020

and

Union Christian College, Aluva

for the construction of Happiness Index for the GCDA

This agreement is executed on 20th day of month of April in the year 2023 by GREATER COCHIN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY, a body corporate constituted under the Town Planning Act (IV of 1108)as per GO(MS) 91/76/LA & SWD dated 23.01.1976 and reconstituted under the Kerala Town and Country Planning Act of 2016 (act 9 of 2016) and notified as per clause 51 of the ibid act by Government of Kerala wide Go(P) 47/2016 /LSGD dated 16/12/2016 and having its office at Kadavanthara in Kochi- 682020, Kerala ,India,(who for the purpose of this agreement are hereinafter individually referred to as Party of the First Part), represented by its Secretary Sri K.M.Gopakumar and referred to as the "FIRST PARTY" and the Union Christian College College (Department of Economics),Aluva [Hereinafter referred to as the "SECOND PARTY"]

REG Date DD (HSC/0023 100 RINCIPAL HIN NO. FROM K. H. STAJAHAN STATHVENDOR ALUVA The FIRST PARTY and The SECOND PARTY, having discussed fields of common research interests and allied activities between the two organizations, have decided to enter into collaboration for the construction of Happiness Index for the first party, promotion of research with regard to the various aspects of the construction of Happiness Indices, students' training and postgraduate research.

WHEREAS The FIRST PARTY being a Development Authority whose jurisdiction area includes the Kochi Corporation, 9 Municipalities and 21 Panchayaths with a total area of 632 Sq. Km and is vested with the following powers as per clause 56 of The Kerala Town and Country Planning Act, 2016.

- i. Preparation and implementation of land re-adjustment or land pooling or land banking schemes for the purpose of implementation of projects in the Development Authority area, in tune with the provisions of this Act;
- ii. Promoting planned development as envisaged in the Plans for the development authority area, through tools like Transfer of Development Rights, accommodation reservation etc.;
- Set-up special function agencies, if required, and guide, direct and assist them on matters pertaining to their respective functions;
- iv. Co-ordination of implementation of Plans under this Act in the Development Authority area;
- v. Perform such other functions as are supplemental, incidental or consequential to items

 to (iii) above or as may be directed by the Government, the District Planning
 Committee or the Metropolitan Planning Committee, as the case may be, from time to
 time.

ANDWHEREAS the "SECOND PARTY", Union Christian College, Aluva, affiliated to Mahatma Gandhi University, Kottayam, Kerala, is included under Section 2(f) and 12(B) of UGC Act 1956.

Article 1. Scope

1.1 The SECOND PARTYhas consented to collaborate with the FIRST PARTY, for conducting survey related to Happiness Index Project. The students from the department of Economics will be involved in this programme.

- 1.2 Operational details of research effort and collaboration will be made in common research programmes and/or projects restricted to specific mandated domain within the approved disciplines/divisions.
 - An advisory committee shall be formed which included 2 nominees from both the parties which shall review the activities performed under the MoU
- 1.4 Research and library facilities available with the FIRST PARTY and The SECOND PARTY will be made available to the faculty and research scholars. However, the costs of specific consumables will be borne by the respective organizations.

Article 2. Management

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- 2.1 The FIRST PARTY and The SECOND PARTY will be responsible to work out operational details of co-operation between the two organizations and ensure proper and effective implementation of this MoU.
- 2.2 The Advisory Committee will meet at least once in a year alternatively either at GCDA,Kadavanthra or in Union Christian College, Aluva (Second party) to review the activities. This meeting shall include presentation on the Happiness Survey, which should be open to the students, faculty as well as the academic community.

Article 3. Exchange of Information

- 3.1 The term "information" includes scientific or technical data, results and/or methods of investigation, and other information intended to be provided, exchanged or arising under project descriptions entered into pursuant to this MoU.
- 3.2 The parties support the widest possible dissemination of information. Each party in joint projects shall be given the right to use, disclose, publish or disseminate such information for any and all purposes with prior written consents from the parties concerned.

Article 4. General Provisions

4.1 It is understood that the FIRST PARTY and the SECOND PARTY subscribe to the principle of equal opportunity and do not discriminate on the basis of race, sex, age,

caste or religion. Both the parties shall abide by these principles in the administration of this agreement and neither party shall impose criteria for exchange of scholars or students, which violate principles of non-discrimination.

- 4.2 Both parties understand that all financial agreements will have to be negotiated separately and will depend on the availability of funds.
- 4.3 Both parties acknowledge that exchange of students or expertise from one party to the other shall be subject to the availability of funds and shall comply with the regulations and policies of the FIRST PARTY and the SECOND PARTY.
- 4.4 All questions related to this MoU arising during its term will be settled by the parties by mutual agreement. Disagreements at the operating level shall be forwarded to respective higher officials for appropriate resolution failing which an arbitrator of mutual acceptance may be identified for the settlement of dispute, if any.
- 4.5 All questions not foreseen related to this MoU will be handled by the parties by mutual agreement.
- 4.6 Nothing in this MoU is intended to affect other cooperation or collaborations between the parties.

Article 5. Entry into effect, modification and termination

- 5.1 This MoU shall become effective on the date it is signed by the parties and shall be valid for three years extendable up to five years. Both parties shall review the status of the MoU at the end of each three/five-year period to determine any modification, whenever necessary. The period of validity of this MoU may be extended by mutual consent up to five years. This MoU may be amended by mutual written agreement and may be terminated at any time by either party upon written notification signed by the competent authority of the party initiating termination. Such notification must be given to the other party at least three months in advance from the effective date of termination.
- 5.2 All joint activities which are not completed at the expiration or termination of the MoU may be continued until their completion under the terms of this MoU.

5.3 No amendment or modification of the MoU shall be valid unless the same is made in writing by both the parties or their authorized representatives and specifically stating the same to be amendment of the MoU. The modifications/changes shall become part of the MoU and shall be effective from the date on which they are made/ executed, unless otherwise agreed to.

This MoU has been executed in two originals, one of which has been retained by the FIRST PARTY and the other by the SECOND PARTY.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have executed this MoU and represent that they approve, accept and agree to terms contained herein.



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Date : 27 4 2023 .

For the GCDA

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Head,

Department of Economics

Union Christian College, Aluva