MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

Between

INSTITUTE FOR SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC CHANGE, Bangalore

and

ASSAM UNIVERSITY, Silchar

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MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (hereinafter called 'MoU') on Academic and Research Exchange between

the Institute for Social and Economic Change, having its principal office at Dr. V K R V Rao Road, Nagarbhavi, Bangalore- 560072, India (hereafter referred to as 'ISEC' or 'Party' or 'Institute')

And

Assam University, having its Head Quarter at Silchar, Cachar district of Assam Pin-788011 (hereinafter referred to as the 'AUS' or 'Party' or 'University') collectively referred to herein as the 'Parties' or 'Institutes'.

WHEREAS:

The Parties recognize the value of academic and research collaboration, and have agreed to continue their common interest in promoting mutual cooperation in the areas of research, teaching and capacity building:

THUS:

The Parties agree to implement the MOU under the terms and conditions hereinafter set forth, and,

The Parties agree to the research and teaching cooperation on Social Sciences (Economics, Education, Political Science), Anthropology, Geography, Life Science and Ecology and Environmental Sciences. The cooperation may be extended to other disciplines in the future by mutual agreement.

The terms and conditions of the MOU are as follows:

i) Awarding of Degrees:

Ph.D:

- AUS will recognize the Ph.D. course work offered by ISEC as a part of AUS Ph.D. programme from the academic year 2016-17.
- AUS students will have main supervisor from AUS. If any AUS admitted student based on her/his research area seek joint guidance from ISEC then co-supervisor will be from ISEC.
- ISEC will pay the fellowship to research scholars admitted through ISEC entrance test and AUS will pay to its research scholars admitted through AUS entrance test as per rules of respective institutions and UGC/MHRD guidelines.

- The degree will be awarded by AUS for AUS admitted students.
- AUS will recognise the ISEC faculty as the supervisors for awarding the Ph.D. degree of AUS.
- The interested ISEC students admitted through entrance test conducted by ISEC may register at AUS for Ph.D. programme in the disciplines of Social Sciences (Economics, Education, Political Science), Anthropology, Geography, Life Science, and Ecology and Environmental Sciences.
- ISEC students registering at AUS for PhD, have to pay the prescribed fee to AUS as applicable to AUS students.
- ISEC students interested in AUS Ph.D. registration will pursue the research under the main supervision of faculty from ISEC. If any ISEC student registered at AUS based on her/his research area seeks joint guidance from AUS then co-supervisor will be from AUS.
- Ph.D. degree will be awarded by AUS for the ISEC students registered at AUS.
- ii) Faculty Exchange: The opportunity for short term faculty exchange will be created where the faculty from both ISEC and AUS will visit the each other institutions for academic and research related activities. The parties will facilitate such short term visits of faculty with financial support from various funding sources.
- iii) Joint research projects: The faculty from both the organizations (ISEC and AUS) will work jointly by submitting and undertaking research projects related to Social Sciences (Economics, Education, Political Science), Anthropology, Geography, Life Science, and Ecology and Environmental Sciences. Whenever a research project is jointly submitted and undertaken, the resources will be appropriately shared. Publications from such projects will be jointly brought out.
- iv) Organising Seminars/Workshops: The Parties will explore the opportunity to organize the seminars and workshops jointly either on AUS Campus or ISEC Campus.
- v) Infrastructure Sharing: It was agreed to extend infrastructure facilities for the use of ISEC at AUS and vice versa. The facilities, however, will be made available subject to availability and on payment of standard user charges.

Amendments, Duration and Termination

- 1. Any amendments to this MoU can only be made in writing and after consultation and mutual consent of the two parties. Such amendments, once approved by both parties, will become part of this MoU and are incorporated by reference;
- 2. The effective date of this MoU shall be the date on which the second of the parties hereto execute their original of this MoU;
- 3. This MoU shall remain in force for a period of 5 years from the date of the last signature. The MoU may be extended by mutual consent of both the parties. The authorities from both the ISEC and AUS are responsible for overall co-ordination and implementation of collaborative research and other activities as mentioned above between the two Parties and with the concerned departments in the ISEC and in the AUS as per the provisions of the MOU; and,
- 4. The MoU may be terminated by either party by written notice at least twelve months in advance. Termination of the MoU will not affect participants from completing their activities at the host Institute or University.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the Parties hereto have caused this MOU to be executed by their duly authorized representatives.

For

For

ISEC, Bangalore

AUS

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14 May 2015

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