



**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MOU)**  
**BETWEEN**  
**INDIAN INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY ROORKEE**  
**(IITR), UTTARAKHAND, INDIA**



**AND**  
**ROYAL UNIVERSITY OF BHUTAN (RUB),**  
**THIMPHU, BHUTAN**

In order to promote and foster closer cooperation, the Royal University of Bhutan and IITR agree to enter into a MOU on academic cooperation to develop academic exchanges and collaboration in teaching and research for better understanding between its academic communities. The two institutions agree on the following activities on a mutually acceptable basis.

**AREAS OF COOPERATION**

IITR and RUB agree to the following goals and objectives in order to initiate the international partnership programme on:

- (a) Exchange of scientific, academic, and technical information and appropriate academic materials and other information of mutual interest;
- (b) Academic exchanges, including mutual visits of faculty and school members to pursue research and to lecture, and student exchanges on a reciprocal basis;
- (c) Identifying opportunities for exchanges and cooperation and joint research and development in disciplines of mutual interest;
- (d) Organisation and participation of joint academic and scientific activities such as seminars and conferences;
- (e) Initial focus in Engineering and Technology with special attention in area of Water Technology, Infrastructure Development, Himalayan Studies, Power Engineering, Renewable Energy and Environment;
- (f) Capacity building of RUB faculty by IITR.

**COORDINATION**

Prof. Sandeep Singh, Dean Alumni Affairs and International Relations shall be the Coordinator from IITR and Dr Phanchung PhD, Director General, Department of Research and External Relations or the designate official from the Department shall be the Coordinator from RUB. The participants and Coordinators may change from time to time as decided by the appropriate authority of the respective institutions.

**ARRANGEMENTS AND FUNDING**

1. Both parties decide their funding mechanism through a mutual consultations and discussions

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2. Both parties endeavour to, jointly or independently, explore funding from third parties through Governmental or non-Governmental agencies.
3. As a general rule and unless otherwise agreed, the home institution will bear all expenses to travel and other incidental expenses and the host institution will have the responsibility of local hospitality in terms of accommodation to facilitate the academic exchange.

## ADHERENCE TO LAWS

Staff and students of either institution involved in any activities under this MOU shall adhere to the laws of the host country and the applicable rules, regulations and procedures of the host institution.

## AMENDMENTS

The MOU may only be amended by mutual agreement evidenced in writing by a duly authorised representative from each of IITR and RUB.

## TERM OF AGREEMENT

The MOU shall commence on the date of its execution by the last to sign of IITR and RUB and shall remain in force for a period of five (5) years and may be renewed upon its expiry and with the agreement of both parties. If the MOU remains dormant for three consecutive years it will be deemed to have lapsed.

## LEGAL STATUS

Nothing in this MOU shall be construed as creating any legal relationship between the parties. The MOU is a statement of intent to foster genuine and mutually beneficial cooperation.

Recognizing the importance of academic collaborations, the following signatures are affixed as acknowledgement and ratification of the terms of Memorandum of Understanding as stipulated above.

For INDIAN INSTITUTE OF  
TECHNOLOGY ROORKEE

For ROYAL UNIVERSITY OF BHUTAN



**Pradipta Banerji**

Director


Date: 19.09.2016



**Nidup Dorji**

Vice Chancellor

Date: 19.09.2016



**Sandeep Singh**

Dean Alumni Affairs and International Relations

Date:

19.09.2016



**Phanchung**

Director General

Date: 19.09.2016