MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

BETWEEN



HIMACHAL PRADESH NATIONAL LAW UNIVERSITY SHIMLA

AND



GRNAD ACADEMIC PORTAL, (GAP), GUJARAT

HIMACHAL PRADESH NATIONAL LAW UNIVERSITY situated at Shimla, Himachal Pradesh, India, and GRAND ACADEMIC PORTAL (GAP)- India herein refer to as GAP having its office at 718, Loha Bhavan, Ashram Road, Ahmadabad, Gujarat–380009, wish to foster cooperation in education and research and to facilitate cultural exchange. Through this Memorandum of Understanding, the Universities affirm their commitment to international cooperation between their institutions.

- 1. The purpose of this Memorandum of Understanding is to promote and to facilitate an international and multilateral exchange between the two Institutions, and more particularly:
 - i. the international mobility of their students, faculty members and staff between their two Universities; and
 - ii. the development of teaching and research activities between the two Universities.
- 2. This Memorandum of Understanding sets out the general principles governing the relationship of the two Universities. It will be completed by Protocols which shall apply to specific areas.
- 3. The Universities will explore the possibility of establishing Protocols in the following general areas:
 - i. the exchange of faculty members;
 - ii. the exchange of students;
 - iii. joint research projects and programs;
 - iv. the exchange of teaching materials and resources, including the on-line digital library accessibility;
 - v. assistance in finding internships for exchange students;
 - vi. cooperation in the development of joint teaching methods and projects;
 - vii. assistance in organizing visits to companies and international institutions; and
 - viii. other areas that may be mutually agreed upon.

The precise form of cooperation will be determined as the Universities set out in each Protocol.

The specific areas of cooperation extended by GAP under this MoU includes:

- Faculty members and Students of RGNUL can participate in following initiatives as per the mutual guidelines decided by both the institutions.
- Can publish papers in International peer reviewed journals of GAP without paying publication charges.
- One or two faculty members can become part of editorial board in GAP International Journals.

- Can design online course which can be uploaded on GAP Academy website.
- Can send news to GAPE Magazine kalapataru.
- · Head of the institute will also be appointed as Advisor of Assessment and Accreditation body of GAP which is known as Global Academic Assessment Consortium.
- Faculty members can work in research projects announced by GAP.
- Faculty members can take part in book project series of GAP.
- Faculty member can go as peer member for GAAC Assessment.
- Students and faculty members can participate in conference, seminar and workshops with 30% less fees.
- GAP has more than 1000 experts on board, RGNUL can take benefit of their expertise whenever needed.
- 4. Pursuant to this Memorandum of Understanding, the Institutions will facilitate contact between their researchers.
- 5. Upon the agreement of both Universities, this Memorandum of Understanding can be extended to include other existing partner institutions, so that an effective and comprehensive network of cooperating institutions may be formed.
- 6. Each University shall name one academic official who shall be responsible for the administration and facilitation of the Memorandum of Understanding and who shall be the person of record for official communication pertaining to the Memorandum of Understanding.

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- 7. This Memorandum of Understanding will come into effect on the date of its signing and shall remain in effect for five years. It will then come to an end unless the Universities inform each other in writing no later than six months prior to the date of its ending of their intention to renew.
- 8. The partners in this Memorandum of Understanding will consult each other as often as necessary, and at least once a year, in order to evaluate their cooperation. Any modification to the present Memorandum of Understanding must be consented to by both institutions.
- 9. Details of this Memorandum of Understanding may be altered as a result of the experience acquired by both institutions and developments in their respective course programs.
- 10. This Memorandum of Understanding, as well as any Protocol made pursuant to it, is not a contract and does not create any rights or obligations including financial liability.
- 11. This Memorandum of Understanding is made in English.

Dated on 9th day of November 2019,

For GAP, Gujarat,

For Himachal Pradesh National Law University, Shimla

Prof. (Dr.) Gurdatta Japee Chairman, GAP, Gujarat

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