

This Memorandum of Understanding (hereinafter called as the 'MOU') is entered into on this day of 12th February, 2020.

BETWEEN

Karpagam Academy of Higher Education, the First Party represented herein by Registrar (here in after referred as 'First Party', the institution which

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expression, unless excluded by or repugnant to the subject or context shall include its successors – in-office, administrators and assigns).

AND

DHI FOUNDATION, the Second Party, represented herein by its Zonal / Divisional Head, Dr. Dhivya Vasudevan, (hereinafter referred to as **"Second Party"**, company which expression, unless excluded by or repugnant to the subject or context shall include its successors – in-office, administrators and assigns).

Both Parties, being legal entities by themselves desire to sign this MOU for advancing their mutual interest.

WHEREAS:

- a) First Party is Karpagam Academy of Higher Education, Pollachi Main Road, Eachanari Post, Coimbatore-641 021 is engaged in providing higher education (UG/PG/Ph.D.) in Arts/Science, Engineering, Architecture and Pharmacy.
- b) The Second Party is DHI Foundation, Old.No.17, New No.18, Dhamodaraswamy Naidu Nagar, Sowripalayam, Post, Coimbatore -641028 is engaged in business, manufacturing, skill development, education and R&D Service in the fields of Organic Agriculture and related fields.
- c) First Party & Second Party believe that collaboration and co-operation between themselves will promote effective use of each of their resources, and provide each of them with enhanced opportunities.
- d) The Parties intend to cooperate and focus their efforts on Skill Based Training, Education and Research.

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THEREFORE, IN CONSIDERATION OF THE MUTUAL PROMISES SET FORTH IN THIS MOU, THE PARTIES HERETO AGREE AS FOLLOWS:

CLAUSE 1 CO-OPERATION

- 1.1 Both Parties are united by common interests and objectives, and they shall establish channels of communication and co-operation that will promote and advance their respective operations within the Institution and its related wings. The Parties shall keep each other informed of potential opportunities and shall share all information that may be relevant to secure additional opportunities for one another.
- 1.2 First Party and Second Party co-operation will facilitate effective utilization of the intellectual capabilities of the faculty of First Party providing significant inputs to them in developing suitable teaching / training systems, keeping in mind the needs of the industry.
- 1.3 The general terms of co-operation shall be governed by this MOU. The Parties shall cooperate with each other and shall, as promptly as is reasonably practical, enter into all relevant agreements, deeds and documents (the 'Definitive Documents') as may be required to give effect to the actions contemplated in terms of this MOU. The term of Definitive Documents shall be mutually decided between the Parties. Along with the Definitive Documents, this MOU shall represent the entire understanding as to the subject matter hereof and shall supersede any prior understanding between the Parties on the subject matter hereof.

CLAUSE 2 SCOPE OF THE MOU

2.1 The budding graduates from the institutions could play a key role in technological up-gradation, innovation and competitiveness of an industry. Both parties believe that close co-operation between the two would be of

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major benefit to the student community to enhance their skills and knowledge.

- 2.2 Curriculum Design: Second Party will give valuable inputs to the First Party in teaching / training methodology and suitably customize the curriculum so that the students fit into the industrial scenario meaningfully.
- 2.3 Industrial Training & Visits: Industry and Institution interaction will give an insight into the latest developments / requirements of the industries; the Second Party to permit the Faculty and Students of the First Party to visit its group companies and also involve in Industrial Training Programs for the First Party. The industrial training and exposure provided to students and faculty through this association will build confidence and prepare the students to have a smooth transition from their academic to Professional career. The Second Party will provide its Labs / Workshops / Industrial Sites for the hands-on training of the learners enrolled with the First Party.
- 2.4 Internships and Placement of Students: Second Party will actively engage to help the delivery of the Internship and placement of students of the First Party into internships/jobs, as per AICTE internship Policy. The Second Party will also register itself on AICTE Internship Policy Portal for disseminating the Internship opportunities available with them.
- 2.5 **Research and Development:** Both Parties agree to carry out the joint research activities in the fields of Organic Agriculture.
- 2.6 Skill Development Programs: Second Party to train the students of First Party on the emerging technologies in order to bridge the skill gap and make them industry ready.

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- 2.7 **Guest Lectures:** Second Party to extend the necessary support to deliver guest lectures to the students of the First Party on the technology trends and in house requirements.
- 2.8 **Faculty Development Programs:** Second Party to train the Faculties of First Party for imparting industrial exposure/ training as per the industrial requirement considering the National Occupational Standards in concerned sector, if available.
- 2.9 Both Parties to obtain all internal approvals, consents, permissions, and licenses of whatsoever in nature required for offering the Programs on the terms specified herein
- 2.10 There is no financial commitment on the part of the Karpagam Academy of Higher Education, the First Party to take up any program mentioned in the MoU. If there is any financial consideration, it will be dealt with separately.

CLAUSE 3 INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

3.1 Nothing contained in this MOU shall, by express grant, implication, Estoppel or otherwise, create in either Party any right, title, interest, or license in or to the intellectual property (including but not limited to knowhow, inventions, patents, copy rights and designs) of the other Party.

CLAUSE 4 VALIDITY

- 4.1 This Agreement will be valid initially for a period of three years but can be extended by mutual consent.
- 4.2 Both Parties may terminate this MOU upon 30 calendar days' notice in writing. In the event of Termination, both parties have to discharge their obligations

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CLAUSE 5 RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE PARTIES

- It is expressly agreed that First Party and Second Party are acting under this 5.1 MOU as independent contractors, and the relationship established under this MOU shall not be construed as a partnership. Neither Party is authorized to use the other Party's name in any way, to make any representations or create any obligation or liability, expressed or implied, on behalf of the other Party, without the prior written consent of the other Party. Neither Party shall have, nor represent itself as having, any authority under the terms of this MOU to make agreements of any kind in the name of or binding upon the other Party, to pledge the other Party's credit, or to extend credit on behalf of the other Party.
- Any divergence or difference derived from the interpretation or application 5.2. of the MoU shall be resolved by arbitration between the parties as per the Arbitration Act, 1996. The place of the arbitration shall be at District Head Quarters of the First Party. This undertaking is to be construed in accordance with Indian Law with exclusive jurisdiction in the Courts of Coimbatore.

AGREED:

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For Karpagam Academy of Higher Education For DHI Foundation

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Authorized Signatory REGISTRAR Karpagam Academy of Higher Education (Deemed to be University Under Section 3 of UGC Act 1955, Pollachi Main Road, Eachanari Post, Coimbatore + 641 021.

Witness 1: 2.DP (Dr. A. DHARMARAJ)

Authorized Signatory

Witness 2:

M. Dr. (DT. M. DE IVANAYAKI)

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