

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MoU) BETWEEN
PARYAVARAN DAKSHATA MANDAL
Thane (400 602)
AND
HVPS RAMNIRANJAN JHUNJHUNWALA COLLEGE OF ARTS,
SCIENCE AND COMMERCE (EMPOWERED AUTONOMOUS)
Ghatkopar West (400 086)

This MoU has been made for the period of one year from the **1st day of June, 2023 to 31st day of May, 2024** between HVPS Ramniranjan Jhunjhunwala College of Arts, Science and Commerce (Empowered Autonomous) (hereinafter called RJC), Ghatkopar, Reaccredited with 'A' Grade by NAAC during the 3rd Cycle and received the Best College Award (2007-2008) of the University of Mumbai. The College has been bestowed with IMC Ramkrishna Bajaj Performance Excellence Trophy, 2010 and Paryavaran Dakshata Mandal (hereinafter called PDM), Thane, an NGO active in the field of protection of the environment, environmental awareness and education.

The aforesaid Institutes are hereinafter referred to individually as institution and collectively as Institutions.

1. Objectives of MoU:

- a) To promote and enhance mutual cooperation of Academic Interest between COLLEGE and PDM.
- b) To provide advice for enhancement of the quality of environmental education at COLLEGE and PDM and allied institutes.
- c) To jointly contribute towards protection of the environment and its betterment.
- d) To have a trained workforce of faculty and students.
- e) To ensure the contribution of girl students from minority community towards environment.
- f) To promote research/continuing education, curricular, co-curricular and extra-curricular activities between both institutions.
- g) To make joint efforts to spread awareness on importance of balance in the environment, harmful effects of excessive human wants and human activities.

2. Technical areas of collaboration:

- a) Provide academic interaction and discussions on relevant topics and allied themes.
- b) Provide academic and co-curricular interaction for Community Engagement Programs.
- c) Provide necessary help and collaborations wherever applicable in organizing conferences/ seminars/ workshops/ and personality development/ life skill programmes for enhancement of skills of staff and students.
- d) Usage of academic infrastructure of both Institutions for improving surroundings and environment.
- e) Cooperate in activities such as informative lectures, training workshops etc. on relevant themes.
- f) To facilitate environmental training for teachers and students.
- g) To arrange activities and plan measures to alleviate local environmental problems.

- h) To identify local environmental issues and counter the same through awareness.
- i) To cooperate on rainwater harvesting, composting and environmental awareness.
- j) Offering prioritized and subsidized registrations wherever possible for students for activities, conferences, seminars and workshops of both institutions.
- k) Guidance and allotment of small research projects to students on relevant themes.
- l) Co-operation with IQAC of the college, providing guidance and assistance Quality related matters and in sustaining Quality of Education in the college.
- m) Cooperation for usage of expertise in NSS and Extension Education activities.

3. Proposed modes of collaboration:

RJC and PDM jointly propose to collaborate through the following:

- a) Co-operation and promotion of education and training in areas of mutual interests concerning the environment.
- b) Any other appropriate modes of interaction agreed upon between both institutes.
- c) A specific plan may be worked out by the Institutions depending upon requirement and availability of resources.

4. Terms and Conditions:

- a) For continuing education to teachers and students, the financial arrangements will be made as per the mutually agreed terms.
- b) For the visits related to advice and consultancy, travel and other expenses of both the faculty and staff shall be reimbursed on mutually agreed terms.
- c) Usage of academic infrastructure can be allowed for limited period subject to its availability, approval of head of facility/department and Institutional norms.
- d) Both Institutions agree to help, identify and invite the faculty members and researchers from the other Institution to participate in conferences, workshops and short-term courses and as advisory/organizing committee members.
- e) To provide appropriate concessions/ discount/ subsidy to staff and students participating in Conferences, Workshops, Seminars, activities and training programs conducted by either institutions.
- f) To give preference to staff and student participants of either institutions.
- g) This MoU may be amended, renewed and terminated by mutual written agreement of the Institutes at any time.
- h) Either institution shall have the right to terminate this MoU upon 60 days prior written notice to the other institute.
- i) On mutual consent of both the Institutions, review meetings will be conducted once in six months with co-coordinators.

5. Confidentiality:

- a) The Institutes agree to hold in confidence all information/data designated by the Institutes as being confidential which is obtained from either Institution or created during the performance of the MoU and will not disclose the same to any third party without written consent of the other Institution.
- b) The above confidential clause under this MoU excludes the information/data possessed by either Institution before entering into the MoU or independently developed and/or information already available through public domain.

6. Duration of MoU:

This MOU, unless extended by mutual written consent of the Institutions, shall expire in one year after the effective date specified in the opening paragraph. However, on review, the MOU shall be extended by mutual consent.

7. Coordinators:

Both Institutes will designate people who will have responsibility for co-ordination and implementation of this agreement.



8. Intellectual Property Rights:

The Intellectual Property Rights (IPR) that arise as a result of joint research and collaborative activity under the agreement will be worked out on a case to case and will be consistent with officially laid down IPR policies of the two Institutes.

9. Signed in Duplicate:

This MoU is executed in duplicate with each copy being an official version and having equal validity. By signing below, the Institutes, acting by their duly authorized officers, have caused this Memorandum of Understanding to be executed, effective as of the day and year first above written.

On Behalf of

s/d	s/d
	
President, Paryavaran Dakshata Mandal, Thane	Principal, HVPS Ramniranjan Jhunjhunwala College of Arts, Science and Commerce (Empowered Autonomous)

Place: Thane

Date: 1st June 2023

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