

Memorandum of Understanding



Doon University & Wildlife Institute of India for Ph. D. Program

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भारतीय वन्यजीव संस्थान
Wildlife Institute of India

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This Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) has been entered into between:

Wildlife Institute of India (WII) is an autonomous Institute of the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, Govt. of India, having its registered office of the society at Dehradun, Uttarakhand, located at Chandrabani, Dehradun-248001, (hereinafter referred to as 'WII'), which expression shall, unless repugnant to the context thereof, include its successors and permitted assigns of the **FIRST PART**

AND

Doon University (Uttarakhand State University) located at Motharowala Road, Kedarpur, PO - Ajabpur, Dehradun, Uttarakhand (hereinafter referred to as 'DU') of the **SECOND PART** (who for the purpose of this MoU are hereinafter individually referred to as 'Party' and collectively referred to as the 'Parties').

1. WHEREAS WII, an autonomous Institute of the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (MoEFCC), Govt. of India, is engaged in the training advanced research, education, and advisory services in the field of wildlife conservation and management and has developed expertise technical and capabilities in above-mentioned areas over the years.
2. WHEREAS DU is a Uttarakhand State University, running undergraduate & Post Graduate courses including Ph. D.
3. In view of the above background, the common objective is to have educational and scientific collaboration for mutual benefit through a joint Ph.D. program.

Scope of Academic Interaction:

Both WII and DU shall encourage interaction between the Scientists /Faculty members, Research Fellows, and Students of both the organizations through the following arrangements:

- a) Sharing of faculty for limited periods as mutually agreed upon from time to time,
- b) Organization of joint meetings, conferences, and seminars,
- c) Practical/summer training of DU students at WII,
- d) Joint guidance of student's projects/thesis, and
- e) Joint Ph. D. program as per following mutually agreeable terms:

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Joint Ph.D. Program:

- i. The Scientists/Faculty members working at WII, Dehradun on a regular post and having M. Sc. or equivalent degree from reputed institutions/universities with a minimum of 60% marks or equivalent CGPA would be eligible to register at DU for Ph. D. program.
- ii. Students, as well as Science and Technology (S&T) manpower working in different research projects of WII, will be allowed to register for Ph. D. program at DU. According to the UGC/DU norm, the written exam as well as interview/viva-voce examination for the entrance to Ph. D. course shall be conducted by the DU. Students' Research Advisory Committee (SRAC) will be constituted at the Doon University in accordance with the Ph.D. ordinance of the University, and the concerned faculty/scientist of WII will be a part of this committee.
- iii. After a successful completion of the course work, confirmation of the registration will be done in accordance with the provisions of Doon University Ph.D. Ordinance.
- iv. Such candidates will be treated as full-time Ph. D. students by the DU.
- v. Ph. D. students will have to be registered under the joint supervision of a Ph. D. guide from WII and the WII guide will be co-opted as a Member of SRAC of DU for students registered under him. Whether the guide from WII would be Supervisor or Co-supervisor, will be decided mutually without violating the rules of Doon University PhD ordinance.
- vi. WII will provide lab facilities and the work would be carried out at WII Dehradun.
- vii. In all the matters related to the determination of seats and the activities during the Ph.D. program of the student, provisions of Doon University Ph.D. ordinance will prevail.

SHARING OF FACILITIES

- i. WII and DU shall make provisions to share their respective R&D/lab facilities to promote academic and research interaction in the areas of cooperation.
- ii. WII and DU shall permit the exchange of technology developed in-house in the areas of cooperation, if permissible, within the rules governing the two institutions.
- iii. WII and DU shall provide access to the library facilities to Scientists, Faculty members, and Ph. D Students as per the prevailing rules and norms in the respective institutes.

CO-ORDINATION OF THE PROGRAMME INCLUDING FINANCIAL ARRANGEMENTS

- i. WII Scientist/Faculty (Annexure – I) could register a number of students (as per

UGC norms) for Ph. D. supervision from DU provided their names are duly forwarded by the Director, WII. Recognition of the scientists as supervisors would be granted by the concerned AAC (Academic Advisory Committee) of DU after due evaluation on a case-by-case basis, taking publications in National/International Journals of repute and/or International/National patents as one of the main criterion.

- ii. The collaborative program between WII and DU shall be coordinated by a Coordination Committee appointed by the Director/VC of both the Institutes.
- iii. Financial arrangements for each specific collaboration will be decided on a case-by-case basis and brought on record in each case after due approval from Heads of both Institutions.

Effective Date and Duration of MoU

- i. This MoU shall be effective from the date of its approval by competent authorities at both ends.
- ii. The duration of this MoU shall be for 10 years from the effective date.
- iii. During its tenancy, the MoU may be extended or terminated by prior notice or not less than six months by either party. However, termination of the MoU will not in any manner affect the interests of the students/faculty/scientists, who have been already admitted to pursue a program under the MoU.
- iv. Any clause or article of the MoU may be modified or amended by mutual agreement of WII and DU.

IPR

Rights regarding publications, patents, royalty, ownership of software/design/product developed, etc. under the scope of this MoU, shall be decided by the two parties by mutual consent.

CONFIDENTIALITY

During the tenure of the MoU, both WII and DU will maintain strict confidentiality and prevent disclosure of all the information and data exchanged under the scope of this MoU for any purpose other than following this MoU.

Both WII and DU shall bind their respective personnel, who come into possession or knowledge of any confidential information not to disclose the same to third parties without the written approval of the disclosing party or use such confidential information for any use other than intended under this agreement or PROJECTS.

Further both WII and DU shall put in place adequate and reasonable measures to keep and store confidential information secure to prevent any unauthorized use.

CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION

Confidential Information shall mean any proprietary information, analytical or field data or

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facts belonging to PARTIES collectively or severally, disclosed by the disclosing party under this agreement or any subsequent agreement, whether in writing, verbal or electronically, irrespective of the medium in which such information is stored, which is marked confidential or with any other words having similar meaning by the disclosing party, or specifically agreed to be kept confidential by the parties, or declared or identified so by the disclosing party before such disclosure or during the discussions. However, confidential information shall not include any data or information which:

- i. is or becomes publicly available through no fault of the receiving party,
- ii. is already in the rightful possession of the receiving party before its receipt of such data or information,
- iii. is independently developed by the receiving party without reference to the confidential information of the disclosing party,
- iv. is rightfully obtained by the receiving party from a third party or is in the public domain,
- v. is disclosed with the written consent of the party whose information it is,
- vi. or is disclosed under a court order or other legal compulsion, after providing prior notice to the disclosing party.

AMENDMENTS

Any amendment and/or addenda to the AGREEMENT shall be in writing and signed by the PARTIES hereto and shall only after such execution be deemed to form part of the AGREEMENT and have the effect of modifying the AGREEMENT to the extent required by such amendment or addenda.

RESOLUTION OF DISPUTES

- i. This agreement shall take effect and be construed following the Laws of India and be subject to the jurisdiction of the courts at Dehradun.
- ii. If any dispute or difference whatsoever arises between PARTIES concerning or in connection with this AGREEMENT, both the parties shall first try to resolve the dispute/difference amicably between them, failing which the matter shall be referred to and settled through arbitration. The arbitration proceedings shall be held as per the provision of the Indian Arbitration and Reconciliation ACT, 1996. The venue of arbitration shall be Dehradun and the Languages of arbitration shall be English.

MISCELLANEOUS

- i. The headings and sub-headings are inserted for convenience only and shall not affect the construction of this Agreement.
- ii. Both WII and DU shall not, during the term of this Agreement directly or indirectly, solicit or offer employment or engagement to any of the personnel of other party without the previous consent in writing of that other party.
- iii. No failure to exercise and no delay in exercising, on the part of a party, and right,

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remedy, power, or privilege hereunder shall operate as a waiver thereof, nor shall any single or partial exercise of any right, remedy, power, or privilege hereunder preclude any other or further exercise thereof or the exercise of any other right, remedy, power or privilege. The rights, remedies, power, and privileges herein provided are cumulative and not exclusive of any right, remedies, powers, and privileges provided by law.

- iv. After this Agreement has been signed, all preceding understandings/ Negotiations and correspondence about it shall become null and void.

IN WITNESS whereof this MoU has been executed by the duly authorized representatives of WII and DU hereto on the 18th day of December 2021 at Doon University Dehradun.


For
Doon University (DU)


18-12-2021
REGISTRAR
DOON UNIVERSITY
DEHRADUN (INDIA)

Witness - 1

Name

Designation



Prof. Kusum Anandhelen
Professor

Witness - 2

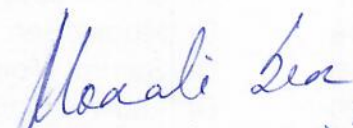
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Date:


Dr. Arun Kumar
Asst. Prof.
18/12/2021



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Wildlife Institute of India (WII)


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Dr. Monali Sen, I.F.S.
कुलसचिव / Registrar
भारतीय वन्यजीव संस्थान
WILDLIFE INSTITUTE OF INDIA
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Witness - 1

Name

Designation



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Scientist-G
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Wildlife Institute of India
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Name

Designation

Date:


Dr. Rishabh Harsh
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Annexure – I

List of faculty members at WII as on December 2021

S. No.	Name	Qualification	Position
01	Dr. Dhananjai Mohan	Ph. D.	Director
02	Dr. Yadvendradev V. Jhala	Ph. D.	Scientist - G
03	Dr. Ruchi Badola	Ph. D.	Scientist - G
04	Dr. S. Sathyakumar	Ph. D.	Scientist - G
05	Dr. Bitapi C. Sinha	Ph. D.	Scientist - G
06	Sh. Qamar Qureshi	M. Sc., M. Phil.	Scientist - G
07	Dr. V. P. Uniyal	Ph. D.	Scientist - G
08	Dr. B. S. Adhikari	Ph. D.	Scientist - G
09	Dr. K. Sivakumar	Ph. D.	Scientist - F
10	Dr. Parag Nigam	Ph. D.	Scientist - F
11	Dr. Bilal Habib	Ph. D.	Scientist - E
12	Dr. K. Ramesh	Ph. D.	Scientist - E
13	Dr. R. Suresh Kumar	Ph. D.	Scientist - E
14	Dr. Gautam Talukdar	Ph. D.	Scientist - E
15	Dr. J. A. Johnson	Ph. D.	Scientist - E
16	Dr. Gopi G. V.	Ph. D.	Scientist - E
17	Dr. S. K. Gupta	Ph. D.	Scientist - E
18	Dr. Monali Sen	Ph. D.	Scientist - E
19	Dr. Samrat Mondol	Ph. D.	Scientist - E
20	Dr. Malvika Onial	Ph. D.	Scientist - D
21	Dr. Sutirtha Dutta	Ph. D.	Scientist - D
22	Dr. Abhijit Das	Ph. D.	Scientist - D
23	Dr. Salvador Lyngdoh	Ph. D.	Scientist - D
24	Dr. C. Ramesh	Ph. D.	Scientist - C
25	Dr. K. Vishnupriya	Ph. D.	Scientist - C
26	Dr. Navendu Page	Ph. D.	Scientist - C
27	Dr. Amit Kumar	Ph. D.	Scientist - C
28	Dr. Lallianpuii K	B. V. Sc. M. V. Sc.	Scientist - C

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