



MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

BETWEEN

NATIONAL UNIVERSITY OF LAOS (NUOL),

a public national university established under the Government of the Lao People's Democratic Republic, located in Vientiane Capital, Lao PDR

AND

MERCY COLLEGE PALAKKAD

(Established in 1964, is a Govt. Aided Arts and Science College, Affiliated to University of Calicut, Kerala, India)

National University of Laos and the **Mercy College Palakkad, Kerala State, India** are hereinafter collectively referred to as the "Parties" and individually as a "Party".

Both Parties have reached a mutual understanding to promote academic cooperation under the following terms:

1. Purpose of Collaboration

The Parties intend to strengthen friendly relations and promote academic cooperation through exchanges of faculty members, students, research collaboration, and shared academic activities.

1.1 Academic Exchange: Exchange of faculty members for short-term teaching, lectures, joint supervision of research, and academic mentoring.





1.2 Student Mobility Programs: Development of student exchange opportunities for undergraduate and postgraduate students for short-term or semester-based study.

1.3 Research

Collaboration: Joint research projects, co-publications, sharing of research outcomes, and collaborative grant applications.

1.4 Capacity Building: Joint organization of seminars, conferences, workshops, and training programs.

1.5 Resource Sharing: Exchange of academic publications, learning materials, and digital resources, subject to institutional policies.

2. Duration

2.1 This MOU shall come into effect from the date of the last signature and shall remain valid for a period of five (5) years.

2.2 The MOU may be amended by mutual written consent of both Parties.

2.3 Either Party may terminate this MOU by providing six (6) months' written notice to the other Party. Ongoing activities shall continue until completion.

2.4 This MOU may be renewed by mutual agreement prior to its expiration.

3. Non-Exclusivity

This MOU is non-exclusive and does not restrict either Party from entering into agreements with other institutions.

4. Intellectual Property Rights

Intellectual Property arising from joint activities shall be mutually agreed upon and detailed in separate agreements in accordance with institutional policies.

5. Use of Names and Logos

Neither Party shall use the name, logo, or branding of the other Party without prior written consent.





6. Non-Binding

Nature

This MOU reflects the intention of cooperation and does not create legal or financial obligations, except where explicitly stated.

7. Confidentiality

All information exchanged under this MOU shall be treated as confidential unless disclosure is required by law.

8. Governing Law and Dispute Resolution

This MOU shall be governed by the laws of the respective home country of the Party in breach. Any disputes shall be resolved amicably through mutual consultation.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have signed this Memorandum of Understanding through their duly authorized representatives.

For NATIONAL UNIVERSITY OF LAOS.

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