

MoU with National Council for  
Climate Change, Sustainable  
Development and Public  
Leadership (NCCSD), Ahmedabad  
for approval

# ANAND AGRICULTURAL UNIVERSITY

ANAND - 388 110

Read: Resolution of 39<sup>th</sup> Meeting of Board of Management held on  
15.10.2015 vide item No.39.12

## NOTIFICATION

It is hereby notified to all concerned that the 39<sup>th</sup> Meeting of Board of  
Management held on 15.10.2015 vide item No. 39.12 has resolved as under:

"It is resolved that BoM approves the MoU to be signed with National Council  
for Climate Change, Sustainable Development and Public Leadership (NCCSD) (As  
per Annexure) for its implementation in AAU, Anand."

NO. AAU / DR / T-3 / 8039 / 2015  
Date: 23.11.2015

*P. Mathur*  
DIRECTOR OF RESEARCH &  
DEAN P.G. STUDIES

Copy F.W.Cs. to:

1. All Members of Board of Management of this University.
2. All Members of Agricultural Research Council of this University.
3. All Officers of this University.
4. All Deans / Associate Deans of this University.
5. All Unit / Sub Unit Officers of this University.
6. Registrar, Anand Agricultural University, Anand in response to his letter  
જા.નં.આકૃયુ/રજિ/એકે(મીટીંગ)/(૧૧૪)/૧૩૭૦-૧૩૭૬/૨૦૧૫, તા.૦૨.૧૧.૨૦૧૫

Copy to:

1. PS to Vice-Chancellor, Anand Agricultural University, Anand
2. All Branches of this Section.
3. S.O. File.

## Annexure

### MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN ANAND AGRICULTURAL UNIVERSITY AND NATIONAL COUNCIL FOR CLIMATE CHANGE SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT & PUBLIC LEADERSHIP

The MoU is executed on -----, 2015 between National Council for Climate Change, Sustainable Development and Public Leadership (NCCSD), Ahmedabad, Gujarat and Anand Agricultural University (AAU), Anand represented respectively through Executive Chairman of the NCCSD and Vice Chancellor of the AAU for knowledge multiplying activities and technical cooperation in the area of climate change for agricultural development.

#### **National Council for Climate Change, Sustainable Development and Public Leadership**

National Council for Climate Change, Sustainable Development and Public Leadership (NCCSD) is a nonprofit organization. It aims to facilitate and carry out appropriate and target oriented action for climate change mitigation and adaptation; interlinking agriculture, sustainable development and rural development, foster and leverage public leadership to achieve the goals of such an integrated approach & strengthen knowledge economy.

#### **Mission of NCCSD**

- Act as premier organization at the national level to disseminate information that will enable appropriate action & suggest policy frameworks to tackle impacts of global warming and climate change.
- The Council may for instance create knowledge platforms, organize seminars and network with scholars and public leadership specialists at the regional, national and international level.
- Promote sustainable development through integrated mitigation and adaptation to tackle adverse impacts of climate change and promote agriculture considering its inherent ability to absorb CO<sub>2</sub> from the atmosphere through photosynthesis aligned with the sustainable development goals of communities.
- Redefine the significant role and potential of public leaders, educational leaders and youth who will be the leaders of the future generation to meet the challenges posed by climate change.

#### **Anand Agricultural University**

Anand Agricultural University (AAU), Anand is one of the premier institutions with the mission to provide teaching, research and extension services related to agriculture and allied sciences to develop excellent human resources and innovative technologies for services to the farming

community with the main motto of making Gujarat and India agriculturally prosperous. The University is offering undergraduate and postgraduate degree programmes in various disciplines of agricultural and allied sciences besides MBA in International Agri-Business Management and certificate courses in polytechnics. Research activities of AAU focus on productivity, sustainability and improvement of socio-economic condition of the farming community.

AAU is committed to continue improvement in the productivity and profitability of Agriculture and allied sector with the following objectives and goals

- To provide quality education in the areas of Agriculture, Horticulture, Veterinary Science, Dairy Science, Food processing technology, Agricultural information technology, Agricultural Engineering and Allied fields.
- To conduct research for the development of new technologies for the sustainability of Agriculture, increasing production, income and seek appropriate solution to emerging problems in Agriculture & Allied sectors.
- To develop an effective mechanism for the transfer of technology to the farmers and agricultural organizations through extension programmes.

#### **ARTICLE-I GENERAL PURPOSE OF THE MoU**

The general purpose of this MoU is to collaborate and jointly work and share initiatives that promote Action research, capacity building and implementation of sustainable development and knowledge multiplication in the areas of agriculture, energy, water and food security, climate change and community resilience in arena of climate change.

#### **ARTICLE II GENERAL AREAS OF COOPERATION Capacity Building**

Collaboration will include, but not limited to, Knowledge multiplying activities, mutually beneficial action research and experience exchanges, which shall include knowledge promotion, and dissemination of research via meetings and publications at appropriate forums and scientific journals, program training, joint research and development projects and other related pursuits in climate change and sustainable development. Development and implementation of appropriate research-based sustainable technologies directed at Climate Smart Agriculture (CSA) will be one of the measureable outcomes of this joint partnership. The collaboration shall be conducted so as to maximize reciprocity and minimize the cost of participation.

- Dissemination of information and data on relevant activities, except that deemed privileged or proprietary to large segment of farmers and rural youth and women farmers;
- Joint applications for activity and implementation grants;
- Coordination of technical assistance, knowledge multiplication development, Action research and other activities;
- Invitation to participate in one or more of each party's National and International conferences, summits or symposia for sharing of knowledge, program planning etc.
- Facilitation of introductory meetings and connections with extended networks in furtherance of the parties' objectives.

#### **ARTICLE-V**

##### **CONFIDENTIALITY (DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION)**

AAU and NCCSD agree that except for a Court Order requiring disclosure, neither shall disclose to any third party without the written consent of the other, any information made available to the parties, in the performance of work and/or generated by the performance of work, under this Agreement, except information which at the date hereof was:

1. in the public domain or
2. known to either prior to the date hereof as evidenced by written documents.
3. "Confidential Information" means in respect of a Party, all of that Party's Intellectual Property and Information relating to that Party's private business affairs, including, without limitation, technical, financial, operational, administrative, marketing, economic and other information, which is disclosed and confirmed in writing by one party to the other. All Confidential Information, made available to any party for the purpose of this Memorandum of Understanding shall be kept confidential and shall not be disclosed to third party without the prior consent of the other Party.

#### **ARTICLE-VI**

##### **INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY RIGHTS**

- 6.1 For implementation of the programme authorities will work out a mutually agreed annual work plan in advance for each other.
- 6.2 Due recognition of contributions made by NCCSD/AAU in collaborative work will be given wherever required in publications including research papers, brochures, bulletins, annual reports etc.

### **ARTICLE III PROGRAMS AND ACTIVITIES**

Proposed programs and activities include: (1) cross-disciplinary research collaboration in climate smart agriculture, sustainable biofuel production, environmental remediation, water, food and soil sustainability, joint action research programs in environmental and agricultural projects resulting in the implementation of solutions for farmers and agro-industrial agencies. (2) Faculty, student and farmers training programme with partner organizations stimulating the development of research and training, solution-based summits and technologies, workshops, etc. The parties pledge to identify and explore avenues for funded research opportunities to support the programs of interest and activities sponsored under this MoU.

### **ARTICLE IV IMPLEMENTATION OF THE MoU**

The terms and conditions of such mutual cooperation, as well as the required budget for implementation will be developed by a program coordinator designated by each party to assure conformity with the aims and purposes described and set forth in Article III above. Each party shall bear its own cost and expenses arising from this MoU unless otherwise mutually agreed to. The existence of this MoU shall not imply any obligation of the parties to provide financial support. The program coordinators shall develop a detailed plan to implement the parties' responsibilities and financial agreements in a separate agreement (e.g. MoA, project proposal, exchange of letters, specific letters of understanding, agreements, etc) for each activity. The respective leaders of each party must approve each activity agreement before it can be implemented. The parties to this MoU may in writing, add modify, amend or delete any word, phase, sentence or article in this MoU after written mutual consent.

To achieve the purpose of this MoU, the parties, individually and subject to the availability of funds, shall contemplate activities, including: faculty and student research exchanges with from collaboration like Florida Agricultural & Mechanical University (FAMU), USA with which NCCSD has signed MoU, technical assistance, benchmark visits and technology transfer between Institution and University. The parties shall designate a program coordinator/liaison to ensure conformity with the aims and purposes described and set forth in this MoU.

Specific joint efforts of the MoU and mutual benefits will include, but not limited to:

- 6.3 The INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY RIGHTS (IPRs) generated under this WORK shall be jointly owned by NCCSD and AAU, Anand on the basis of the extent of contributions by the scientists of each party and expenses for obtaining and maintaining the IPRs, shall be borne equally by both the parties.
- 6.4 Both the parties agree to ensure appropriate protection of Intellectual Property Rights generated from such cooperation consistent with the present laws, rules and regulations.

**ARTICLE-VII  
VALIDITY/TERMINATION**

The MoU shall be effective from the date of its signing by both the Parties. It shall be valid for a period of five years, which can be extended on mutual consent, or until terminated by mutual written agreement or pursuant to this MoU. Either Party may terminate this MoU on one (1) month written notice to other party.

In WITNESS WHEREOF the two parties hereunto have signed this MoU be executed on the dates indicated below

Signed for and on behalf of  
NCCSD,  
by its duly authorized officer on  
the .....day of.....2015

Signed for and on behalf of  
Anand Agricultural University,  
by its duly authorized officer on  
the .....day of.....2015

Executive Chairman

Director of Research & Dean, P.G. Studies

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