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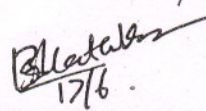
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It is matter of great pleasure that Anand Agricultural University has made memorandum of understanding (MoU) with ICRISAT, Hyderabad for exchange of scientific information in relation to research area of Agricultural Sciences. The mission for the same has been displayed on the AAU website.

All the concerned scientists are requested to avail the facilities for planning and executing the research work accordingly.

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Memorandum of Understanding

Between

**The International Crops Research Institute for the Semi-Arid Tropics (ICRISAT),
Patancheru 502 324, Andhra Pradesh, India**

and

Anand Agricultural University (AAU), Anand-388 110, Gujarat (india)

The International Crops Research Institute for the Semi-Arid-Tropics (ICRISAT), a member of the CGIAR Consortium, is a non-profit, non-political organization that conducts agricultural research for development in Asia and sub-Saharan Africa with a wide array of partners throughout the world. Covering 6.5 million square kilometers of land in 55 countries, the semi-arid tropics has over 2 billion people, and 644 million of these are the poorest of the poor. ICRISAT and its partners help empower these poor people to overcome poverty, hunger and a degraded environment through better agriculture.

ICRISAT is headquartered in Hyderabad, Andhra Pradesh, India, with two regional hubs and four country offices in sub-Saharan Africa.

Anand Agricultural University

Partner Institution's mission Statements

Anand Agricultural University (AAU) first budded as '*Krushigovidhya Bhavan*' with the motto of transmission of culture and civilization through agricultural education. The institute later transformed into Gujarat Agricultural University (GAU), from which AAU metamorphosed in 2004 with a view of location specific agriculture, as the Government of Gujarat segregated GAU into four Universities.

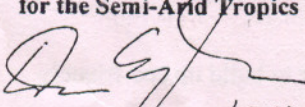
AAU's activities have expanded to span newer commodity sectors such as soil health card, bio-diesel, medicinal plants apart from the mandatory ones like rice, maize, tobacco, pearl millet, pigeon pea, vegetable crops, fruit crops, forage crops, animal breeding, nutrition and dairy products etc. The core of AAU's operating philosophy however, continues to create partnership between the rural people and the committed academia as the basic for sustainable rural development. In pursuing its various programmes, AAU's overall mission is to promote perpetual process of sustainable growth, economic independence and self sufficiency in rural society. AAU endeavours to attain this through Education, Extension and Research.

Mission

- To provide teaching, research and extension education services related to Agriculture and Allied Sciences.
 - To reach out for new frontiers of agricultural sciences.
 - To develop excellent human resources and innovative technologies to farming community.
 - To evolve new varieties and breeds and to develop cutting edge technologies for increasing agricultural and animal productivity.
 - To improve socio-economic status of farmers in general.
 - To enhance the natural resource base and the environment in order to build up eco-friendly technologies.
 - To disseminate knowledge through the process of lab to land transfer of technology and through different extension methodologies.
 - To make farmers better equipped to handle the threats cropping up on account of globalization.
1. The International Crops Research Institute for the Semi-Arid Tropics (ICRISAT) and the Anand Agricultural University desire and intend to develop co-operation and collaboration in research for development, training, and other agreed activities that further the aims and objectives of the Institutions as follows:

- 1.1. To encourage, and use their reasonable endeavours to effect, within the limitations of the Institutions' resources, policies and procedures, visits from one Institution to the other by members of the academic, research and other staff for the purpose of participating in teaching, training, research for development programs and other agreed activities.
- 1.2. To develop within the limitations of the Institution's resources, policies and procedures, collaborative workplans that specify the activities to be undertaken, objectives and targets, implementation mechanisms, roles and responsibilities, and resource contributions.
- 1.3. To jointly explore external funding opportunities through project proposal development, thus enabling both Parties to expand and extend their collaborative activities.
- 1.4. To provide, within the limitations of the Institutions' resources, policies and procedures, qualified students hosted by one institution access to research opportunities and/or degree programs at the other institution.
- 1.5. To encourage the exchange of scientific materials, publications and information. The actual exchange of materials will be done on a purely voluntary basis and subject to required institutional Material Transfer Agreements.
2. The Institutions acknowledge that all visits of staff and the admission of students will be subject to compliance with the entry and visa regulations of host country and the Institutions' requirements in respect of admission and staff appointments.
3. The Institutions acknowledge that in the absence of any specific agreement to the contrary, all expenses of salary, travel, living and allied costs will be determined at the discretion, and be the responsibility of the visitor's home Institution.
4. This document is not intended to create legal or binding obligations on either party. It serves only as a record of the parties' current intentions. Before any of the activities set out in this Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) are implemented, to ensure the activities can be accomplished in conformity with the law and so as to enable the principles set out in this MoU to be implemented, the Institutions shall enter into a formal and binding separate agreement or agreements with each other which will detail the specific form and content of the activities and cover the responsibilities and rights of each Institution. Such agreements will be negotiated in good faith.
5. This MOU commences from the date of last signing and shall be in force for 3 years. The MOU may be terminated at any time by mutual consent or by 6 months' notice by either party. It may be amended, modified, extended, or renewed only by the written consent of both Parties. The Institutions agree to review this MOU six months prior to end of the 3-year term.
6. The specific terms of this MOU do not preclude the development of future collaborative ventures or projects not mentioned in this document.

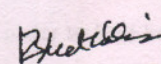
On behalf of the
**International Crops Research Institute
for the Semi-Arid Tropics (ICRISAT)**


Dr William D Dar (LIC)
Director General

Dated:14 JUN 2013.....



On behalf of the
Anand Agricultural University, Anand (India)


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Dated: ..26/03/2013.....