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MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

BETWEEN

SRI RAAJA RAAJAN COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING AND

TECHNOLOGY, KARAIKUDI

AND

KURAL KOODAL SEMMOZHI FOUNDATION INC,

HOUSTON, TEXAS, USA

FOR DEVELOPMENT OF TAMIL LANGUAGE AND CULTURE AND TECHNO-FRIENDLY RESOURCES

Preamble

The Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) is entered into by and between the Sri Raaja Raajan College of Engineering and Technology, Karaikudi hereinafter called "SRRCET" and Kural Koodal Semmozhi Foundation Inc., USA, hereinafter called "KKSFI". SRRCET and "KKSFI" referred to collectively as 'parties' or individually as 'party'.

This Memorandum of Understanding has been executed at Karaikudi, Sivagangai Dt on 11th January 2023 through the Chief functionaries of the parties.

- I. Kural Koodal Semmozhi Foundation Inc., aims to spread the Thirukkural in the form of catchy classical tunes to be admired around the world. This organization conducts and contributes so many programs to develop the Tamil language and culture. The objectives of this organization are to organize social and cultural activities in order to encourage people to preserve the rich cultural values of Tamil heritage, and to encourage people to integrate with the American and Tamil communities to promote the concept of unity in diversity. To function as a connecting link with the rest of the Tamil living in different parts of the America and to exchange ideas with regard to promotion of Tamil language and culture.
- II. And whereas, the SRRCET is an exclusive College for Engineering and Technology established by Sri Muthumari Educational and Charitable Trust in 2010 to promote excellence in Engineering and Technology. This College is unique in nature relatively to the other Colleges since its assignment is to promote excellence in Engineering and Technology and produce dynamic and smart Engineers for the benefit of the society and the nation at large, with six Departments of Study namely: Department of Civil Engineering, Department of Mechanical Engineering, Department of Electrical and Electronics Engineering, Department of Electronics and Communication Engineering, Department of Computer Science and Engineering, and Department of Agricultural Engineering. SRRCET produces B.E., and M.E., Graduates every year through the Anna University, Chennai. (http://www.sriraajaraajan.in)

III. Purpose and Objectives:

The parties recognize the benefits to be derived from mutual collaboration, cooperation and interaction towards promoting Tamil Language in Tamil Nadu and America. Hence, the parties desire to work together with the following objectives:

- 1. To carry out research and field analysis related to development and promotion of Tamil language and Culture.
- 2. To educate faculty members and students to take field exposure to rich architectural Heritage of Chettinad in related to the design of Civil Engineering.
- 3. To organise regular Workshops, Seminars, Symposia and American Conferences on Tamil language and culture.
- 4. To share and exchange ideas with regard to promote Tamil language and culture.
- 5. To encourage Engineering students to take field exposure to Tamil heritage and culture.
- 6. To encourage and emphasize the students to take active role in the development of Tamil language and culture.
- 7. To strengthen the educational relationship between SRRCET and KKSFI for the welfare of needy and downtrodden community students through institutional association.
- 8. To provide scholarship for meritorious students of SRRCET by KKSFI.

IV. Discretion

This Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) is subject to the following:

- IV.1 That the final authority in regard to its implementation and coordination of its activities shall rest on the Principal of the Sri Raaja Raajan College of Engineering and Technology and the Director, Kural Koodal Semmozhi Foundation Inc.
- IV.2 That the Memorandum of Understanding will remain valid for five (5) years from the date of signing with the possibility of further renewal, and such renewal is subject to evaluation and subsequent agreement on the part of both the Parties.

V. General:

The broad general areas of co-operation envisaged in the Memorandum of Understanding will include:

- V.1 Participation of staff of the two institutions and the students supported by the institutions in both Tamil Education of Study conducted in SRRCET and Virtual exposure conducted by KKSFI as would be appropriate.
- V.2 The focus on on-site short-course training and online-based studies organized by KKSFI, on behalf of SRRCET would be appropriate.
- V.3 Exchange of staff and students between the two Institutions on collaborative teaching, research and other academic assignments in accordance with their respective missions through online mode.
- V.4 Participation in each other academic activities like Seminars, Conferences, Workshops, language programs and so on in curriculum development and evaluation and Teacher Education Tamil development.
- V.5 Guidance, advice and training of Staff Development & Career Guidance of Students and other stakeholders.
- V.6 Sharing of information and facilities in support of the above collaborative activities.
- V.7 The parties will support the activities under this Memorandum of Understanding to be carried out within its premises and will arrange the program and facilitate the staff from the other Institutions participating in Collaborative activities.
- VI. **Facilities:** The management of both parties will support the activities to be carried out under this Memorandum of Understanding by providing necessary facilities, including leave of absence required by its staff, to perform functions entrusted to them as a part of Collaborative activities under this Memorandum of Understanding.
- VII. **Finance:** The implementation of all projects such as conducting trainings and seminars, curriculum development, staff and students exchange, providing of opportunity for higher studies particularly in Engineering and Technology under this Memorandum of Understanding will be separately negotiated and approved by both the parties.

- VIII. The Memorandum of Understanding will come into operation on the date of signing of this Memorandum and operate for five years in the first instance subject to a mid-term review after two year, and an end-of-term review after five years. It may be extended or terminated by mutual consent.
- IX. The Sri Raaja Raajan College of Engineering and Technology and the International Institute of Higher Studies and Tamil Research agree that this Memorandum of Understanding may be amended by mutual agreement and that each Institution may unilaterally withdraw after six months' notice to the partner.
- X. The functionaries shall meet atleast once in three months for planning and implementation of the programs through online.

This Memorandum of Understanding is executed on 11th January 2023 by the designated authorities of both the parties.

This MoU is signed in the presence of the Chairman Sri Raaja Raajan College of Engineering and Technology, Karaikudi.

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