

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

EXECUTED ON 8TH MAY 2025

BETWEEN

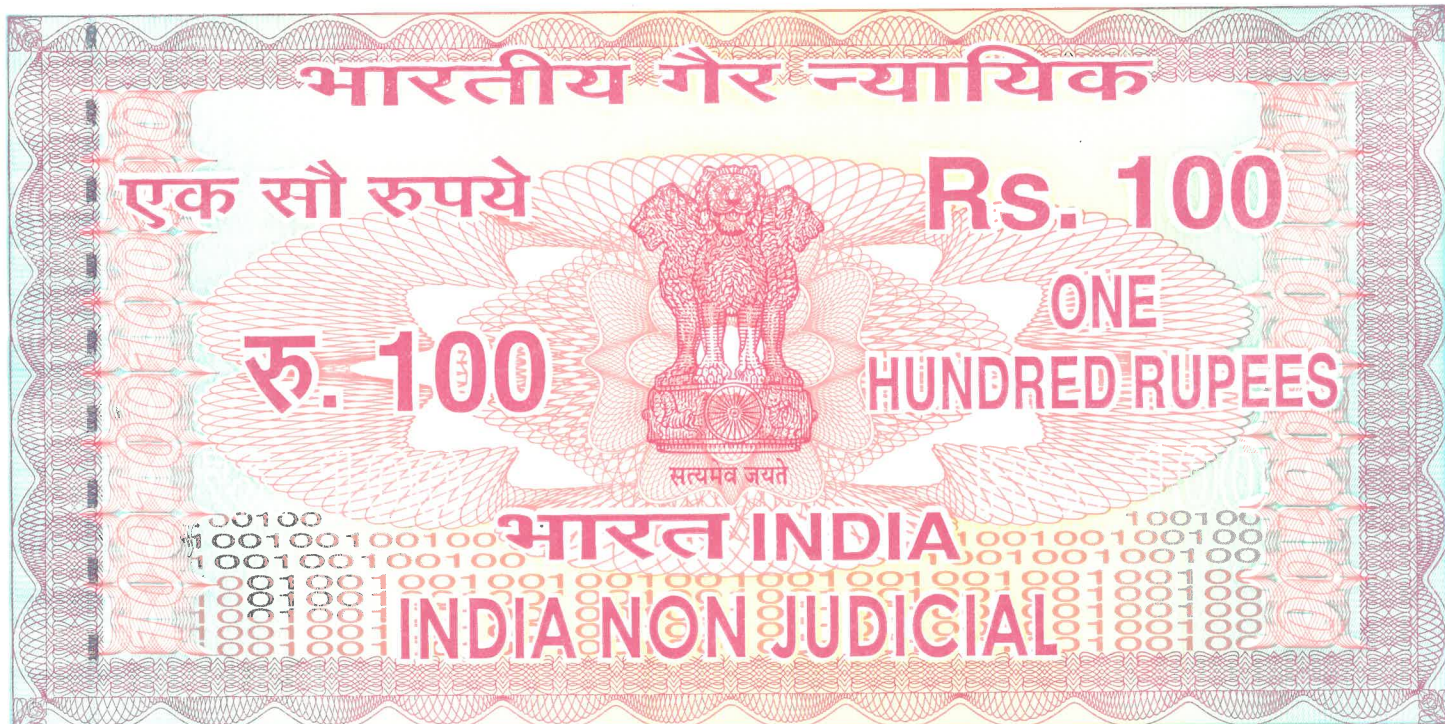


GOA UNIVERSITY, TALEIGAO – GOA.

AND



GOA STATE BIODIVERSITY BOARD, SALIGAO-GOA.



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This Memorandum of Understanding (hereinafter referred to as "MOU") is made and entered into on 8th of May, 2025.

[Signature]

[Signature]

By and between

1. **Goa University**, (hereinafter referred to as “**GU**”), whose address is Taleigao Plateau, Goa, is duly represented by Prof. Sunder N. Dhuri, Registrar of the University, which expression shall, unless the context requires otherwise, mean and include its successors, representative and permitted assigns of the FIRST PART.

And

2. **The Goa State Biodiversity Board** (hereinafter referred to as “**GSBB**”) whose address is C/O Department of Science Technology and Environment, Opposite Saligao Seminary, Saligao, Bardez, Goa, is duly represented by Dr. Pradip Sarmokadam, Member Secretary, Goa State Biodiversity Board which expression shall, unless the context requires otherwise, mean and include its successors, representative and permitted assigns of the SECOND PART.

3. WHEREAS “**GU**” established by the Goa University Act, 1984.

4. AND WHEREAS **GSBB** is an autonomous body of Government of Goa under Department of Science, Technology and Environment, situated in the premises of Department of Science, Technology and Environment, Saligao, Bardez- Goa, constituted by the State Government as per the provision made in Section 22 of the Biological Diversity Act, 2002.

5. AND WHEREAS the purpose of this **MOU** is to establish the terms and conditions under which “**GU**” and the **GSBB** will undertake collaborative activity with mutual agreement.

6. **NOW THEREFORE IT IS HEREBY AGREED AS FOLLOWS:**

- a. “**GU**” will assist **GSBB** in achieving its goals and objectives of Capacity Building at 3 levels i.e. 1) **GSBB** officials/Members 2) Technical Support Group and 3) Biodiversity Management Committees/general public.



- b. In order to fulfill the above goals and objectives, "GU" will assist GSSB to conduct various training programmes, seminars, awareness drives, rallies, street plays and such other activities through its Biodiversity Cell.
- c. "GU" will provide the student volunteers for the programmes as and when feasible and required.
- d. Faculty and research scholars of "GU" will also advise and assist GSBB in their field work and/or research work on mutually agreeable basis.
- e. GSBB will provide all type of support to the programmes organized by "GU" as well as share the knowledge and expertise of each other's constituents.
- f. The GSBB will also assist the teachers and students of "GU" in conducting empirical research in the field of biodiversity on a mutually agreeable basis.
- g. GSSB may seek to use the laboratory facilities of "GU" for taxonomic identification. A reasonable mutually agreeable rate may be charged to GSBB for the use of such facility and shall be separately pre decided mutually.
- h. The GSBB will provide support for biodiversity-related awareness programmes organized by "GU" including logistic support and human resource for the programmes. Both the parties will thereby be mutually benefitted in their respective objectives of creating awareness on protection and conservation of Biodiversity. Financial aspects of each training programme may be mutually decided on case-to-case basis. Normally, the venue, local support, certificate printing, resource person and coordination support may be provided by Goa University. Items such as course material, logistics of participants, refreshments will be provided by GSBB.
- i. "GU" will provide advisory support on various business options for ecosystem service management including the Govan initiative in aspects of marketing, product innovation and branding, among others.
- j. "GU" will provide advisory support in the valuation of ecosystem services and biodiversity to GSSB and the Biodiversity Management Committees under the auspices of GSSB."



7. TERM OF MOU

This MOU is effective upon the day and date on which it is signed and executed by the duly authorized representatives of the parties to this MOU and shall remain in force and effect for an initial period of 3 years. If required, the MoU may be renewed for further period upto 2 years in writing, if both parties agree to the terms and condition.

8. TERMINATION OF MOU

This MOU may be terminated by either party upon 90 days' written notice or on date mutually agreed by the parties. However, any programmes scheduled and agreed upon by mutual consent prior to closure of MoU will be completed as per agreement.

9. AMENDMENT OF MOU

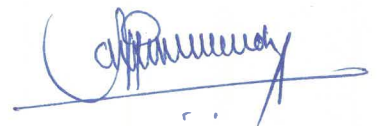
The MOU may be modified or amended at any point of time by written agreement between the parties.

10. INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY RIGHT

No rights of any kind whatsoever in any invention, copyright, trade secret, or any other form of Intellectual Property (collectively defined as IP) are granted or transferred under this MOU. Any IP exchanged pursuant to this MOU shall be governed by the terms of a separate written agreement by the Institutes.

11. SETTLEMENT OF DISPUTE

Normally it is expected that no dispute will arise in the assignment. Should any dispute arise, the same shall be amicably settled by the Dispute Resolution Committee constituted by both the parties to this MoU. The Dispute Resolution Committee shall consist of senior representatives of the GU who shall be nominated by the Vice-Chancellor of the GU and the Member Secretary of GSBB. The decision of the Dispute Resolution Committee shall be final and binding on the parties.



12. IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties to this MOU through their duly authorized representatives have executed this MOU on the day and year hereinabove mentioned, and certify that they have read, understood, and agreed to the terms and conditions of this MOU as set forth herein.



For Goa University

Prof. S. N. Dhuri

Registrar

Goa University,

Taleigao Plateau, Goa



For Goa State Biodiversity Board

Dr. Pradip Sarmokadam

Member Secretary

Goa State Biodiversity Board,


Saligao-Goa


Date: - 8th May 2025

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Public Relations

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