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St. Edmund's College
Shillong, Meghalaya



St. Joseph's College (Autonomous)
Jakhama - Nagaland

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

Between

St. Joseph's College (Autonomous)
Jakhama-Nagaland

And

St. Edmund's College
Shillong, Meghalaya



St. Joseph's College (Autonomous), Jakhama, Nagaland represented by its Principal, **Dr. Fr. George Keduolhou Angami**, which expression shall, unless repugnant to the context or meaning thereof, be deemed to mean and include its authorised representative **Dr. Fr. George Keduolhou Angami & St. Joseph's College (Autonomous), Jakhama, Nagaland**, (hereinafter referred to as the "FIRST PARTY")

And

St. Edmund's Colelge, Shillong, Meghalaya represented by its Principal **Rev. Bro Sunil Britto**, (hereinafter referred to as "SEC") as "THE SECOND PARTY"

The parties to this Agreement may hereinafter be individually referred to as the “Party” and collectively as “Parties”.

PURPOSE

Whereas

- a) **St. Joseph’s College (Autonomous), Jakhama-Nagaland, India** established in 1985, recognised under Sections 2(f) and 12(B) of the UGC Act, accredited by NAAC AT 4th Cycle of Accreditation with A Grade, is a premier constituent college of Nagaland University. SJC was affiliated to North Eastern Hill University (NEHU), Shillong in 1985 and in 1994 got affiliated to Nagaland University, Lumami. SJC is situated in an environment friendly campus within the jurisdiction of Jakhama Village.

SJC has its vision to impart quality higher education based on Christian vision of life and in a Christian atmosphere. SJC strives to impart knowledge to young men and women and make contribution towards a transformative and progressive society. The college aims to educate, support and help young youth to be intellectually alert, morally upright, religiously oriented, socially conscious, culturally distinct and nationally integrated. SJC offers Under Graduate programme in 13 departments and Post Graduate programme in 5 departments. The College address is P.B No. 39, Kohima–Nagaland, 797001 and the College website is [www.https://stjosephjakhama.ac.in](https://stjosephjakhama.ac.in). SJC is managed by the Diocese of Kohima under the Chairmanship of the Bishop of Kohima, Nagaland.

- b) **SJC** is desirous to associate with **SEC** on various areas as discussed in the purview of this MoU, which will be mutually beneficial to both institutions.

Whereas

- a) **St. Edmund's College, Shillong, Meghalaya, India**, is one of the premier institutions of the North East of India and Meghalaya in particular. Since 1923, till the present date, St. Edmund's College has maintained its excellence by regularly introducing new courses, updating its infrastructure, achieving the highest academic records and maintaining discipline of the students. SEC is established and managed by Congregation of Christian Brothers in INDIA (CCBI) and affiliated to NORTH EASTERN HILL UNIVERSITY [NEHU]. The college has a vision that is enshrined in the motto of the College: “Facta Non Verba” which translates “Deeds Not Words”. It aims at imparting equitable quality education grounded on the core values of excellence, competition and ideals. The College also stands on the principles advocated by Edmund Ignatius Rice, the Founder of the Institution. The College endeavours to create a stimulating environment in the Campus through various academic programmes and co-curricular activities in order to develop character, shape personality and build in a sense of social responsibility among our young men and women. As the college prioritises learning, teaching and sharing of knowledge, education is therefore perceived as a potent vehicle that works towards transforming attitudes and mind-sets for the good of one and all in the society in particular and the world at large. SEC is currently accredited at NAAC with A Grade. The college address is St. Edmund's College, Old Jowai Road, P.O. Laitumkhrah, Shillong - 793 003, Meghalaya and the college website is <https://sec.edu.in/>

- b) **SEC** is desirous to associate with **SJC** on various areas as discussed in the Purview of this MoU, which will be mutually beneficial to both Institutions.

That, relying on the principle of good faith, by virtue of which they will carry out all the possible actions for their due fulfillment,

And relying also on their common bonds and concerns, they state their interest in strengthening their relationships through academic cooperation, and for this end they are of one accord in entering this MoU.

NOW THEREFORE THIS MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITNESSES AS FOLLOWS

1. OBJECTIVE

The parties agree that the objective of the present MoU is to establish a cooperation program in order to collaborate towards the formation of students, academics and researchers for the promotion and development of their respective areas of interest.

2. METHOD FOR ACHIEVING THE OBJECTIVES

In order to achieve the aforementioned objectives, both parties, in mutual agreement, shall develop cooperation programs and projects that will specify the commitments each of them is to make for the performance of said programs.

3. AREAS OF CO-OPERATION

Whereas, SJC and SEC recognize that the academic collaboration would be of mutual benefit and would provide strengths in research and education and their mutual interest in engaging themselves in academic cooperation. As per the purpose of the said agreement, the two parties shall:

- i. Joint Faculty Empowerment and Career Development programmes
- ii. Sharing of human resources (faculty) in scholarly pursuits
- iii. Student Development Programmes
- iv. Student Internships
- v. Counselling
- vi. Value Education
- vii. Collaborations in consultancy/Seminars/Webinars/Workshops
- viii. Extension Activities/Programmes
- ix. Joint Research Projects and Publications
- x. Collaboration in the area of Education and Teacher Training
- xi. Collaboration in Quality Assurance Initiatives
- xii. Any other area/activities of mutual interest that may emerge in future, after due deliberations and consent of both the parties.

4. FUNDING

- a) Expenses for airfare, transportation, room and board and personal expenses of exchange students, teachers or officers shall be covered by each individual. Students will pay their registration and for courses or professional practices at their home institution, so that they can

be recognized afterwards.

- b) Students, interns and officers shall be responsible for requesting and obtaining lodging by inquiring with the host institution, which shall provide every help necessary for them to obtain safe, convenient lodging arrangements.
- c) Financial expenses for (term visits) internships of professors and researchers, which will be arranged at the parties' request, as well as travel expenses, shall be covered by the requesting institution. No fees will be paid, as the assumption is that the professors/researchers remain in their positions at their home institution, which will continue to pay their salaries.

5. NO EMPLOYMENT RELATIONSHIP

The parties agree that this Agreement shall not be construed in any manner as establishing any kind of partnership or bond of a labour nature between them. Thus, in all activities stemming from the present MoU and from subsequent specific action plans, the parties are in the understanding that, in all cases, employment relationships shall remain in force between the employing institution and its respective personnel.

6. CREDITS/ACCREDITATION

- a) Credits and grades shall be awarded in accordance with the academic achievement policies in force at the Institution/Affiliating University/Government. However, the Institution reserves the right to accept or reject any accreditation leading to an academic degree.
- b) The Institution shall issue a certification recognizing the grades obtained, as well as the hours invested on projects/papers completed by the students.
- c) It is noted that 6(a) and 6(b) are subject to the laws of the land, and rules and regulations promulgated by the affiliating university, if any, regarding the academic administration as well as transfer of academic credits.

7. RIGHTS AND DUTIES

- a) The Host Institution is committed to counseling and supporting students on exchange through advice on academic and administrative procedures, as well as to foster their integration, inviting and encouraging guest students to become involved in student life.
- b) The institutions shall act as facilitators, but they will have no obligation whatsoever in terms of the actions, behaviours or financial aspects of the students/participants involved in the exchange.
- c) The students/participants shall enjoy the same rights and privileges as regular students/faculty, and shall observe the norms and rules of the Host Institution and the Host State. Any violation of the laws of the receiving State and/or the rules of the Host Institution by an exchange participant shall be grounds for the immediate termination of the privileges in the context of this Agreement.

8. AUTONOMY

- a) This agreement is a statement of intentions and does not involve, in any instance whatsoever, any financial obligations between the subscribing institutions.

9. TERM

- a) This MoU shall be effective from the date of execution of this agreement, and shall remain operative and functional unless a written notice to terminate or amend this agreement is given to the other party six (6) months in advance.
- b) It is expressly agreed that neither party shall be liable for damages that they might cause each other as a result of a forceful suspension of a collaboration program. Causes for forceful suspension must be explicitly set forth in the action plans.

10. CONFLICT RESOLUTION

- a) Any dispute resulting from the interpretation or application of this Agreement shall be settled through direct negotiation and common agreement by the persons delegated to such end by each Institution. Either party may propose to the other a modification of the Agreement at anytime in writing.

11. ACTION PLANS

- a) Every work program or specific activity that is agreed upon between both institutions shall be defined through an action plan, which shall be under the responsibility of two individuals, appointed respectively by each university/Institution, and which shall define the following aspects:
 - i. Foundations or considerations that warrant the plan for inter-institutional collaboration
 - ii. Objective of the action plan for inter-institutional collaboration
 - iii. General conditions of the plan
 - iv. Academic conditions of the plan
 - v. Administrative and organizational conditions of the plan
 - vi. Duration of the protocol
 - vii. Intellectual property
 - viii. Differences between the parties
 - ix. Development of the collaboration project
 - x. Project and/or program to be carried out
 - xi. Financial budget
 - xii. Reference to the subject of medical insurance and information.

12. CONFIDENTIALITY

- a) Each of the parties accepts and declares that every information from the other party is of a confidential nature, is the exclusive property of the latter and has been or will be disclosed to the former solely with the purpose of enabling the full accomplishment of the present Agreement. For this reason, every piece of information provided by one party to the other before signing this Agreement and/or during its performance must be kept confidential and therefore may not be disclosed to any third parties.

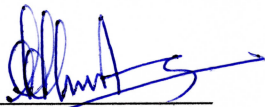


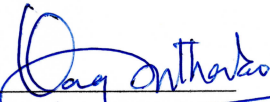
13. AMENDMENTS

The parties may amend or amplify this Agreement through agreements in writing to that effect. Said amendments or additions will be binding on the signatories as of the date of their signature. The parties may not assign, in whole or in part, the performance of the present MoU to any third party, except through prior and express authorization in writing by both of them.

And since both parties are in agreement regarding the content of the present document, and as a token of conformity, we sign it in two counterparts, both of which will be considered originals.

SIGNATORIES

In witness whereof, the undersigned have affixed their signature to this Memorandum of Understanding on this 08 of June 2026, and the parties have agreed to its terms as outlined above.

<p>For St. Joseph's College (Autonomous) Jakhama</p> <p>Dr. Fr. George Keduohlou Angami Principal St. Joseph's College (Autonomous) Jakhama-Nagaland</p> <p>Signature  Date: <u>8/6/2026</u> Principal St. Joseph's College (Autonomous) Jakhama : Nagaland</p> <p>Witnesses: 1. Fr Dr. Gigi Thomas Dean of Sciences and RDC Director</p> <p>Signature  Date: <u>8th June 2026</u> DIRECTOR Research and Development Cell St. Joseph's College (Autonomous) Jakhama - Nagaland</p>	<p>For St. Edmund's College, Shillong</p> <p>Rev. Bro. Sunil Britto Principal St. Edmund's College Shillong, Meghalaya</p> <p>Signature  Date: <u>18.6.2026</u> Principal St. Edmund's College Shillong - Meghalaya</p> <p>Witnesses: Dr. V. R. Rao . Vice Principal (Acad.)</p> <p>Signature  Date: <u>08/06/2026</u></p>
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