



Memorandum of Understanding ("MoU")

Between

Jigme Singye Wangchuck School of Law, Thimphu, Bhutan

and

National Law School of India University, Bangalore, India

on

Enhancing relations between the two parties and seeking to develop academic and cultural interchange in the areas of legal education and research

Jigme Singye Wangchuck School of Law, Bhutan ("JSW Law") and National Law School of India University, India ("NLSIU") (hereinafter referred to as "the Parties"),

Recognising the special ties of friendship and cooperation between the two countries;

Desiring to enhance relations between them and seeking to develop academic and cultural interchange in the areas of legal education and research to gain mutual benefit for the two Parties;

hereby memorialize the understanding between the two parties as follows:

Purpose/Objective

1. The two Parties will implement this MoU on the basis of goodwill, equality, mutual benefit, non-discrimination, and compliance with the provisions of national law and in accordance with the functions and duties of each Party.

Areas of Cooperation and Collaboration

2. The areas of cooperation under this MoU may include the following:
 - a) Exchange of students;
 - b) Exchange of lecturers, scholars, and researchers;
 - c) Exchange of teaching and research materials;
 - d) Joint research projects, including joint conferences and workshops; and

- e) Hosting visiting delegations and other forms of cooperation in accordance with the ability of each Party and the provisions of national law of each country.
3. This MoU shall not give rise to any financial obligation by one Party to the other. Each Party shall bear its own cost and expenses in relation to this MoU. However, the Parties may agree on specific financial and technical arrangements with regard to the individual areas of collaboration. In the event that the Parties intend to carry out specific activities or projects under this MoU, they will subsequently enter into specific project arrangements for each such activity or project.

The terms of such mutual assistance and cooperation shall be discussed and agreed upon in writing by the appropriate responsible officers of both Parties prior to the initiation of any particular program or activity. However, any specific program shall be subject to mutual consent, availability of funds, and approval of each Party.

4. In particular, any program which envisions the mobility or exchange of students or faculty members between the Parties will be set out in a separate agreement.

Any such program will be subject to the applicable academic requirements of each Party, as set forth in its bulletins or guidelines in effect at the time of this MoU or as amended at any time by the Party. Each Party shall assume responsibility for all reporting and other requirements of their country regarding the implementation and administration of this program; and, each shall cooperate with the other to provide such information and assistance as is reasonably necessary to enable the other to provide any information or reports required for continuation and advancement of this program. Both Parties shall regularly review the any such program to seek opportunities for students, continuous improvement of the program, scholarly interchange, and cultural exchange in order to maximize the benefit to students and both Parties.

5. The Coordinator at JSW Law shall be the Vice Dean for Academic Affairs. The Coordinator at NLSIU shall be Vice Chancellor.
6. The language of the activities and communications between the Parties is English, unless otherwise agreed to in writing by the Parties.

Validity

7. This MoU shall be effective from the date of signature for an initial of **5 (five) years** and may be renewed by mutual consent of both Parties thereafter on the basis of a written agreement signed by both Parties.

Termination

8. This MoU may be terminated by either Party with 1 (one) year's notice given in writing, and it may be extended by mutual agreement expressed by a written agreement of cooperation.

Amendment



9. Amendments and supplements to this MoU can only be made after consultation and with the mutual written consent of both Parties as well as compliance with the articles in this MoU.

Dispute Settlement

10. Any dispute regarding the interpretation or application of this MoU will be resolved through mutual consultations and negotiation between the Parties and based on the principles of mutual understanding and respect.

Commencement

11. This MoU shall come into effect on August 17, 2019.

The foregoing represents the understanding reached between the Parties on the matter referred to in this MoU and does not create any legally binding obligations upon the parties.

For NATIONAL LAW SCHOOL OF
INDIA UNIVERSITY



Prof.(Dr.) M K Ramesh
Vice Chancellor(FAC)



For the JIGME SINGYE WANGCHUCK
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