



MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING
Between
[Department of Geosciences, K.S.K.V. Kachchh University]
And
[Wadia Institute of Himalayan Geology, Dehradun]

*This Memorandum Of Understanding (MoU) is entered into and is effective as of [Date:1st January, 2025 & Wednesday], by and between Department of Geosciences, K.S.K.V. Kachchh University, Mundra Road, Bhuj and Wadia Institute of Himalayan Geology, Dehradun, who shall be referred to collectively as "**Parties**" and singularly as a "**Party**".*

Preamble

Whereas,

- a) **Department of Geosciences, K.S.K.V. Kachchh University] and Wadia Institute of Himalayan Geology, Dehradun** wish to establish a long-term institutional partnership in the areas of *[Geological and Paleoclimatic Research, Training of students and faculties]* with the primary objective of promoting contact and collaboration between faculty, staff and students of K.S.K.V. Kachchh University and staff and students of Wadia Institute of Himalayan Geology, Dehradun to explore joint research programs and exchange experiences in education and research; and
- b) The partnership also aims at enhancing the technological, social, and cultural relations of both institutions.

Therefore, this document presents a general framework for such a future partnership, along with some specifically identified areas of consideration, which shall be updated from time to time.

ARTICLE-1: PARTICIPATION AND COORDINATION

The partnership shall initially be between the following:



- For K.S.K.V. Kachchh University:
 - Department of Geosciences
- For Wadia Institute of Himalayan Geology, Dehradun

The Head of the Department of Geosciences shall be the Coordinator from K.S.K.V. Kachchh University, and the Director of Wadia Institute of Himalayan Geology, Dehradun, shall be the Coordinator from Wadia Institute of Himalayan Geology, Dehradun. The participants and Coordinators may change from time to time as decided by the competent authority of the respective institutions.

ARTICLE-2: TYPES OF COOPERATION

The following have been identified as possible starting points for the partnership. The mutual consent of the Parties can further increase the areas of cooperation. In many cases, specific programs will require other agreements to be separately detailed and documented.

- Exchange of information and experience:** Representatives of both Parties should arrange joint meetings whenever convenient to both parties. Joint Seminars/Workshops may be held to present the results of this partnership. Any exchange of proprietary information shall be subject to a separate written nondisclosure agreement.
- Collaborative research projects:** The Parties may define joint collaborative research projects between faculty and /or research groups. Collaborating faculty will approach various funding agencies to submit joint project proposals. Details regarding funding, intellectual property and other aspects of joint research projects will be considered in separate written agreements.
- Short-term training, summer training, Workshops:** and such activities shall be encouraged between the department and the Institute. The parties will organize such activity regularly at either of the place and will generate funding opportunities for the said programmes through joint efforts.
- Ph.D. supervision and registration of the students:** The scientists of the WIHG may get the guideship from the KSKVKU if they fulfill the necessary criteria and the allocation of the students may be decided as per the existing rules of the KSKVKU.

ARTICLE-3: INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

Each Party will adhere to the intellectual laws of their respective institutions/ departments. Any research project for which intellectual property is likely to be created will require a separate, written agreement regarding intellectual property.



ARTICLE-4: FOREIGN CORRUPT PRACTICES ACT

Each Party represents to the best of its knowledge and belief and to the extent these laws apply to them that it has not made or offered and that it will not make or offer with respect to the matters which are subject of this MoU, any payment, gift, whether directly or through intermediaries, to or for the use of any public official (*i.e.* any person holding a legislative, administrative or judicial office, including any person exercising a public function for a public agency, a public enterprise or a public international organisation).

ARTICLE-5: EXPORT CONTROL

Each Party will adhere to the export control regulations of their respective institute/university.

ARTICLE-6: FINANCING

The Parties may work to develop a viable and sustainable model for the financing of this partnership. The two institutions may explore the development of a funding pool from various sources to carry out this partnership. They may not only try to arrange some funding from their own resources, but also approach their own institutions, Government of India Ministries like MoES, DST, international funding agencies and industries. Special effort can be invested to obtain funding from industry to support this collaboration. Funding from alumni may also be solicited for some of the programs.

ARTICLE-7: VALIDITY

The agreement is valid for an initial period of *[For 5 years]* (*For five years*) years and becomes effective from the date it is signed by the partners. The period may be extended by mutual consent. In case one party wishes to cancel the contract, it may be done so only by a prior intimation of at least six months.



On behalf of [KSKVKU, Bhuj]



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Date: 06/01/2025

On behalf of [Wadia Institute of
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Name: [Prof. M. G. Thakkar]
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On behalf of KSKV Kachchh University]



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