

## **Memorandum of Understanding (MoU)**

**Between**

**Anna University (AU), Chennai, INDIA**

**and**

**Amsterdam Institute of Social Science Research (AISSR, University of Amsterdam),  
The Netherlands**

AU, represented by the Chairperson, Convener Committee, Anna University, Chennai, INDIA :  
AISSR-UvA, represented by the director of the Amsterdam Institute of Social Science Research,  
Amsterdam, The Netherlands :

- (A) Agree to promote a general scientific co-operation of both institutions, covering research, education and training in the fields of mutual interest.
- (B) Agree in particular to co-operate within the frameworks of education and training.

### **(A) General cooperation and research**

1. Both parties have an interest in joining efforts and resources to reach objectives in common. The main objective is to encourage the training of scientists through joint research, formal courses, lectures and exchange of faculty staff and students.
2. Both parties will work together to develop a series of actions, including exchange of personnel and joint research, with participation of scientists from both institutions. There is a mutual interest in promoting long-term research programs. The specific focus of such programs will be added in addendum to the overall MoU by specific institutes within the university.
3. There is an explicit intention to broaden the scope of co-operation as required, to include other scientific activities of mutual interest, which can, as appropriate, also involve other institutions.
4. In order to reach these objectives, the AU will, within its possibilities, facilitate teaching and research activities of AISSR-UvA scientists visiting AU, such as for example the use of field stations. Such activities must be coordinated through AU. The AISSR-UvA will encourage the participation of its scientific personnel in joint research projects together with the scientific personnel of AU. The AU shall not be obliged to expend funds under this MoU. AISSR-UvA will, within its possibilities, facilitate research activities of AU scientists, visiting AISSR-UvA.
5. Both parties will share equally the benefit of Intellectual Property Rights (IPR) generated from co-operation in scientific and research activities. Either party shall not claim any exclusive right to the benefits of IPR generated from cooperation in scientific and research activities. Further technical arrangement of this matter will be discussed between the two parties.

**(B) Co-operation in Education and Training**

**1. General Aim**

The general aim of this joint agreement between AU and AISSR-UvA is to advance scientific education and training within the frame of research projects to be pursued jointly by the AU and UvA.

**2. Special Courses**

Both parties will explore possibilities for the development of special courses and block training courses, which are tailored to the needs of the AU.

This Memorandum will be effective for a period of five years from the date of signing of both parties. It may be extended for equal periods if both parties agree in writing. Any party may terminate the agreement by notifying the other party, in writing, at least six months in advance. However, such termination should not affect any on going project. Either party shall not claim any justifiable right under this MoU.

The MoU will become effective today, provided Indian and Dutch authorities concerned, will agree. In testimony of the agreed, we subscribe the present document in two originals.

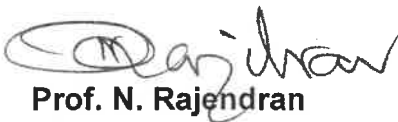
For and on behalf of  
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