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**Memorandum of Agreement**  
 between  
**ASSAM DON BOSCO UNIVERSITY, GUWAHATI, ASSAM**  
 and  
**TEZPUR UNIVERSITY, TEZPUR, ASSAM**

This **Memorandum of Agreement (MoA)** is made on this Seventeenth day of October  
 two thousand and fourteen between

**Assam Don Bosco University (hereafter referred to as ADBU)**

located at Airport Road, Azara, Guwahati-781 017, Assam represented by Fr. Joseph  
 Nellaiatt, Pro-Vice Chancellor as the **FIRST PART** and

**Tezpur University (hereafter referred to as TU)**

located at Napaam, Tezpur-784 028, Assam represented by Prof. A.J. Choudhury, Pro-Vice  
 Chancellor as the **SECOND PART**

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**Assam Don Bosco University (ADBU)** is an educational institution set up by the Don Bosco Society, with the objective of promoting technical excellence and holistic development of the human person. ADBU is a project of the Salesians of Don Bosco (SDB) executed by Don Bosco Society, Azara, Guwahati. Presently, Salesians are working in 132 countries catering to over nine million young people worldwide; Salesians have been recognized by Government of India as the single largest provider of technical education in India, second only to the Government. More than 100 Salesian technical schools and 25 colleges are established in India. Scores of non-formal training centres, agricultural training centres, relief and rehabilitation centres, literacy centres and shelters for street children in India are managed by the Congregation.

**Tezpur University (TU)** was established by an Act of Parliament in 1994. The objects of this Central University as envisaged in the statutes are that it shall strive to offer employment oriented and interdisciplinary courses to meet the regional to national aspirations and the development of the state of Assam and also offer courses and promote research in areas which are of special and direct relevance to the region and in the emerging areas in Science and Technology.

Through this MoA the two Universities agree to collaborate initially in

- Chemical Science-Theoretical Chemistry and Catalysis
- Food Engineering & Technology
- Physics & Nanotechnology
- Computer Science Engineering

in the form of

- Exchange of teachers
- Exchange of students
- Joint Projects
- Sharing of resources

The details of collaboration will be as follows:

#### **1. School of Sciences of TU - Department of Basic Sciences of ADBU**

The collaboration will initially be in

- Chemical Science in Theoretical Chemistry & Catalysis between Prof. Ramesh Deka and Prof. N. Karak of Tezpur University and Prof. JN Vishwakarma of Assam Don Bosco University.

- Physics - Nanotechnology in Synthesis and Characterization of nano-materials between Dr. D. Mohanta and Dr. P. Deb of Tezpur University and Dr. Sunandan Baruah and Dr. Monmoyuri Baruah of Assam Don Bosco University.

## **2. School of Engineering of TU - School of Technology of ADBU**

It is proposed to begin with collaborative activities in some special areas of these schools, for example,

- Departments of Electronics & Communication Engineering of the two institutions could collaborate and apply for funding from the Department of Electronics & Information Technology. Prof. P.P. Sahu has a project in progress that involves training people from NE Region. Assam Don Bosco University could send some of its faculty members/scholars for training.
- Departments of Computer Science & Engineering of the two Universities could collaborate in the area of language processing between Prof. Utpal Sarma of Tezpur University and Dr. Y. Jayanta Singh of Assam Don Bosco University.
- Further active collaboration could be taken up with the Department of Food Technology & Engineering of Tezpur University as and when Assam Don Bosco University starts a similar Department.

## **3. School of Humanities & Social Sciences of TU - School of Humanities & Social Sciences of ADBU**

Professors P.J. Mahanta and M.A. Kalam of TU could work together with Dr. Riju Sharma, Dr. Paul Pudussery and others of ADBU.

## **4. Other areas for collaboration**

The two Universities will also facilitate following activities for mutual benefit & growth:

- Allowing genuine researchers of Assam Don Bosco University to access and use the Sophisticated Instrumentation Facilities of Tezpur University at charges applicable to internal users
- Faculty exchanges in certain areas for short periods without affecting the responsibilities of the parent organization
- Student exchange programmes in specialized areas, like skill development and other such areas as may be considered, with emphasis on research scholars
- Conducting joint faculty development programmes
- Sharing of resource persons from India and abroad visiting the two universities

- Allowing genuine researchers of Assam Don Bosco University access to DEIT assisted MEMS fabrication facilities available at Tezpur University—for training programmes and fabrication
- Involvement of faculty members of Tezpur University in guiding research scholars of Assam Don Bosco University without violating the UGC guidelines.

#### Duration

This memorandum of agreement provides a framework for the exploration of specific educational opportunities between the two Universities initially for a period of five years and will be operational from **17<sup>th</sup> October 2014**. Its terms may be modified, enhanced or terminated with the mutual understanding of both the parties.

The MoA is prepared in two identical copies. Each party holds one original copy duly signed by the representatives of ADBU and TU.

#### Signed for and on behalf of

##### Tezpur University



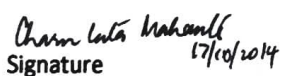
Prof. Amarjyoti Choudhury  
Pro-Vice Chancellor, Tezpur University

##### Assam Don Bosco University



Fr. Joseph Nellanatt  
Pro-Vice Chancellor, Assam Don Bosco University

#### Witness



Signature  
Name Charan Lata Mahanta

#### Witness



Signature  
Name TR. BASIL S. KOIKARA