

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MoU)
BETWEEN
CENTRAL RESERVE POLICE FORCE, (REPRESENTED BY
THE DEPUTY INSPECTOR GENERAL, GC CRPF, AVADI) AND
THE FOUNDER & CHAIRMAN, SETHU INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY

- 1. Parties.** The parties to this Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) are the Group Centre, CRPF Avadi Chennai, represented by the DIGP (hereinafter called "CRPF") having its address at GROUP CENTRE CRPF AVADI Chennai 600 055 and the SETHU INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY represented by the founder and Chairman having its address at Pulloor, Kariapatti, Virudhunagar District, Tamilnadu-626 115. These entities are collectively referred to as the "Parties" and individually as a "Party" as the case may be.
- 2. Objectives.** This Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) is aimed to: -

 - (a) Provide a formal basis for initiating interaction between CRPF and Sethu Institute of Technology.
 - (b) Promote academic cooperation, enhance scientific understanding of technologies related to internal security and undertake research in mutually beneficial areas.
- 3. Plan.** It is envisaged that CRPF and Sethu Institute of Technology shall collaborate through following: -

 - (a) Cooperation and promotion of research and development in areas of mutual interest.
 - (b) Formulation of and participation in joint Research Programmes and internship Projects between CRPF ITI and Sethu Institute of Technology.
 - (c) Visits by faculty, student and researches of CRPF and concerned organizations of CRPF to Sethu Institute of Technology for initiating and undertaking joint projects on mutually agreed terms.
 - (d) Visits by faculty, students and researches of Sethu Institute of Technology to CRPF establishments/Units for initiation and undertaking joint projects on mutually agreed terms.
 - (e) Any other mode of interaction or communication related to research and development in areas of mutual interest.
 - (f) Conduct of higher educational programmes for wards of CRPF and CRPF Officers/personnel.

4. **Agreements for Collaboration** :- This MoU shall serve as an aegis for carrying out interaction in the areas of mutual interest with CRPF and offer Educational Programme for wards / families of CRPF personnel preferably Tamil Nadu domicile (Through GC CRPF Avadi). The signing of this document does not entail any financial or legal obligations on either party. Essentially, this MoU is a frame work within which subsequent agreements, replete with financial implications and relevant details can be signed, for carrying out specific research and undertaking focused studies for resolving a particular technical issue or alleviating a technical problem. The terms and conditions of any such MoU / Agreements / Addendum etc. subsequent to this MoU shall be exchanged and discussed in detail by the representatives of both the parties prior to signing or executing.

5. **Administration**. This will be in two tiers as mentioned below:-

(a) Joint Managers. Each party will be represented by one person to act as the Joint Manager of this MoU. DIG, GC CRPF AVADI will act as Joint Manager for CRPF while Professor-in-Charge (External Relations) will act as the Joint Manager for Sethu Institute of Technology.

(b) Managers. Each Joint Manager may nominate appropriate personnel to manage the details of activities related to execution of individual programmes signed under this master agreement.

6. **Conduct of Professional Educational Programmes**.

Admission to BE/ME/M-Tech Programme. During the current Academic Year (i.e. 2023-24) the CRPF (represented by DIG, GC, CRPF) personnel will be **provided 150 (One Hundred and fifty) assured seats and from the academic year 2024-25 onwards 250 seats assured seats for B.Tech.,/B.E., Professional Educational programme** under Sethu Institute of Technology under various programmes, subject to their clearing the interview and fulfilling the eligibility criteria and all other academic regulations of Sethu Institute of Technology, under sponsored category. However, in case of non-availability of requisite number of candidates from the CRPF wards / families of personnel, Sethu Institute of Technology will not claim any loss from CRPF.

7. **Administration of Conduct of Professional Educational programme**.

(a) Financial Provisions. The candidates selected for Professional Educational programme shall not pay the tuition fee as well as any other charges due in accordance with extant rules of Sethu Institute of Technology. Additional expenses, if any, incurred specific to the project shall be met through mutually evolved process depending on the merit of the case.

(b) Boarding and Lodging. Sethu Institute of Technology will provide Hostel accommodation and messing facility to the students who desire to avail the facility, based on the availability at the time of admission, on concessional payment basis.

8. Internship Projects. CRPF recognizes that Sethu Institute of Technology, by virtue of its focus in the field of current technologies, is an institute having 'State of the Art' infrastructure and a highly accomplished and reputed faculty. In order to harness technical expertise and provide an opportunity for B.Tech./B.E., engineers to associate with COMMUNICATION / INFORMATION technologies used in CRPF, internship projects on mutually beneficial areas would be worked out on case to case basis.

9. Sharing of Facilities. Both CRPF and Sethu Institute of Technology shall allow the sharing of facilities as per the following arrangements.

- (a) Visits by representatives of CRPF to Sethu Institute of Technology for initiating and undertaking joint projects on mutually agreed terms.
- (b) Visits by faculty, students and researchers of Sethu Institute of Technology for initiating and undertaking joint projects (if feasible) by mutually agreed terms.
- (c) CRPF and Sethu Institute of Technology shall make provisions to share their respective facilities on case to case basis and mutually agreeable terms in order to promote academic and research interaction in the areas of cooperation.

10. Confidentiality.

- (a) Classified/ confidential information means information or material, regardless of its form, that in accordance with the laws, regulations or policies of a Party requires protection in the interests of national security and has been so designated with a security classification.
- (b) If any personnel come in possession or knowledge of information which is confidential in nature, the same shall not be disclosed. In case of termination or completion of tenure of MoU, all the relevant/ sensitive information exchanged between the parties will be returned to the respective party or the parties in writing to ensure the security of such information.
- (c) During the tenure of this MoU, both Parties agree to maintain strict confidentiality of any information that the other Party has identified as confidential and will not disclose the same to any third party till such information falls into the public domain without negligence on the part of the recipient Party.

11. Validity. This MoU will be effective from the date is signed by both the parties and shall be valid for a period of five (05) years thereafter. The requirement for and duration of the renewal shall be reviewed on completion of the first tenure. The Joint Managers may by mutual agreement, at any time and subject to written ratification by the appropriate authorities of each party, modify the scope and the arrangements under this MoU. Such modifications/ amendments shall come into Force from the day of signing of such modification.

12. Intellectual Property Rights (IPR). Any Intellectual Property Rights (IPR) for work done as part of research under this program shall be jointly owned by CRPF and Sethu Institute of Technology. The rights may be subsequently transferred to CRPF on mutually agreeable terms on case to case basis.

13. Dispute Resolution. In case of any dispute/claim arises between the parties w.r.t. the MoU, including academic cooperation, validity, interpretation, implementation or alleged breach of any of its provision or regarding a question, including the questions as to whether the termination of this MoU by one party hereto has been legitimate, the parties here to shall endeavour to settle such dispute amicably through mutual discussions between the higher officer of the organizations. The amicable settlement shall be undertaken by the higher offices of the parties in order to undertake "genuine and good faith settlement" to resolve the dispute.

14. Termination. Either party may, on giving 'six months' notice in writing, propose to foreclose this MoU or renegotiate its conditions. In such cases, the team that has commenced project under this MoU should be allowed to complete the work adhering to the applicable conditions.

15. Miscellaneous.

(a) Notices

All Notices given pursuant to this MoU shall be in writing and shall be delivered to the Parties at respective addresses as stated herein above in the MoU or to the respective email IDs as provided herein below:-

Email ID of GC CRPF Avadi -

gcavd@crpf.gov.in
gcavd.crpf@gmail.com
diggcavd@crpf.gov.in

Email ID of Sethu Institute of Technology -

admission@sethu.ac.in
sit@sethu.ac.in

(b) This MoU is not intended to provide any basis for investment or partnership decision at the present or in the future by and between the Parties, outside the scope of this MoU."

(c) Neither party may, nor cause any other party to, engage in any form of corruption or illegal or unethical act to obtain and maintain a business; including but not limited to; offering or paying a bribe or giving a gift or anything else of value to any official to improperly influence anyone in connection with their obligations hereunder. Neither party shall engage in or tolerated any kind of bribery and shall not promise, offer, provide, or authorize anything of value; including without limitations; payments, gifts, travel, meals, entertainment, political contributions, and contributions of any kind of nature, such as donations and sponsorships or favours, to any Government official to improperly influence any act or decision-making in violation of applicable law. Neither Party shall request, authorize, or tolerate any kind of bribery or any other kind of illegal or unethical action from others on behalf of the other party, in the other party's name, or in any other way related to the services.

(d) This MoU constitutes the entire understanding between the Parties and supersedes any and all prior or contemporaneous understandings and agreements whether written or oral between the Parties with reference to the subject matter thereof.

16. This MoU is signed in duplicate with each copy being an official version and having equal legal validity.

17. The Parties, hereby agree to the foregoing MoU, which shall be effective immediately upon full execution by the signatories listed below.

(a) For CRPF
DIGP GC Avadi Chennai
On behalf of CRPF

(b) For the Sethu Institute of Technology,
Founder and Chairman

By:



S. Mohamed Jaleel
FOUNDER & CHAIRMAN
Sethu Institute of Technology

By:



Shri Moses Dhinakaran
DY. INSPECTOR GENERAL
CRPF

Date : 11 October, 2023
Place: Chennai.