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MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

BETWEEN

BIRPARA COLLEGE, AFFILIATED UNDER UNIVERSITY OF NORTH **BENGAL**

AND

DEBAGRAM DEBALRAJA PURATATWA O LOKA SANKSRITI SANGHA On 23.07.2023

About Birpara College

Birpara College, Birpara College is a grant-in-aid, co-educational, undergraduate degree college located in Birpara town in the district of Alipurduar, West Bengal and affiliated to the University of North Bengal (NBU). The college enjoys UGC recognition under 12B and 2(f) since 1993. In 2016, the college was assessed and accredited by NAAC.

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About Debagram DebalRaja Puratatwa o Loka Sanksriti Sangha

Debagram DebalRaja Puratatwa o Loka Sanksriti Sangha (Registration no. S0036635 of 2023-24, under Registration of Societies WB Act XXVI of 1961) has played a pivotal role so far in the academic research and exploration, and building awareness on heritage conservation in and through the past few decades. Our organization has also managed to form a rural museum in this regard to protect and popularize the site in 2017.

Officials from The Asiatic Society and veteran archaeologists, historians from different universities have already visited the site and expressed great interest regarding the potential. The Asiatic Society, in their official Journal, has referred this site as a "new archaeo-tourist destination of Bengal" (Vol. XLVII No. 7, July 2018). May 2022, Department of Archaeology under The Ministry of Information and Culture, Government of West Bengal has received our potential report on Debalgarh Archaeological Site and based on the report, the department initiated a primary exploration in November 2022 with the district officials. 'Debalgarh', Vill+ Post:

Debagram, P. O: Gangapur, Dist: Nadia, is a potential Archaeological site of Bengal. Thousands of artifacts having profound historical significance, have been found through the last few decades during agricultural practices and constructional works at and around this site.

Vision

To Enable the Debagram DebalRaja Puratatwa and Lokosanskriti Sangha as a pivotal organisation for the academic researches on Geoarchaeology, Social anthropology, Folklore, History and Heritage Conservation.

Mission

- To nurture the minds & witness the paradigm shift of Geography, History and Cultural evolution.
- To spread the research & development on Geoarchaeology on Debalgarh site in particular and in lower Bengal in general.



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To initiate the process and take an incorporative role in archaeological excavations under the supervision of government authority and in extended phase to play an active role in post-excavation research works.

PURPOSE

The purpose of this agreement is purely academic. Both the Parties are intending too specifically:

- Student enrichment programme targeted to college students and with an aim to make their holistic development.
- Carrying out different R & D activities
- Carrying out different Awareness programmes, seminars and symposium, workshops, specialized training.
- Exchange of resource persons.
- Exchange of ideas and data that are required for conducting any research projects.
- Educational Excursion & Research Tour should be incorporate on this Geo-Archaeological site.

FINANCIAL LIABILITIES

There will be no financial burden on both the parties. In case of student and faculty exchange programmes the cost will be carried by respective participants. In case if both the parties are jointly carrying out a joint project the financial terms will be decided by both the parties based on the cost of the project.

PERIOD AND APPLICABILITY

Unless terminated earlier as per the provision herein contained, this agreement shall be valid for an initial period of 5 (Five) years from the date of signing this MOU. Subsequently, this agreement may be renewed for such further term or terms as may be mutually agreed upon.

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TERMINATION

This agreement is valid till terminated by either party under mutual understanding. Either party may terminate this agreement at any time by giving ninety (90) days written notice. Projects, which may be undergoing and/or have been undertaken, should be completed before termination of the agreement.

GOVERNING LAW AND DISPUTES

The laws of India shall govern this agreement and any & all obligations arising out of or connected to it. Each Party submits to the exclusive jurisdiction of the courts in Kolkata. Any disputes with respect to any matter or thing arising out of or relating to the agreement shall be referred to a sole arbitrator to be appointed by mutual consent. The arbitration shall be conducted at Kolkata and the language of the arbitration proceedings shall be English.

AMENDMENT:

Amendment to this agreement can be done with mutual consent of the parties signing such amendment in writing.

Kaustar Chakrabarti

Dr. Kaustav Chakrabarti

Principal Birpara College

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Witness:

1. Delijit Biswas

Dr. Biswajit Roy

Secretary

Debagram Debalraja Puratatwa

D. D. P. Lokosankriti Sangha

Nadia (WB)

and Lokosanskriti Sangha

2. Indrajit Paul

Witness:

2. Adhis Halden