

## MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

between

**DALHOUSIE UNIVERSITY**  
Halifax, Nova Scotia, Canada  
on behalf of  
Faculty of Agriculture

and

**RAJMATA VIJAYARAJE SCINDIA KRISHI  
VISHWA VIDYALAYA**  
Gwalior, India

In order to facilitate the broadest academic relations, Dalhousie University ("Dalhousie"), Faculty of Agriculture and Rajmata Vijayaraje Scindia Krishi Vishwa Vidyalaya ("RVSKV") agree to formally establish their cooperative relationship and, in doing so, provide a framework for further collaborative activities between the two institutions.

### 1. Areas of Academic Interest

This MOU initially will reflect the current collaboration in the field of **Crop protection, microbiology, precision farming, renewable energy, genetics and molecular biology**. Depending on the availability of resources, every effort will be made to build productive relationships and exchanges between members of both institutions. In particular, it is agreed that, subject to available resources, the two institutions will cooperate in the development of **Dual undergraduate degree programmes**.

### 2. Academic Cooperation in Agricultural Sciences

Cooperative activities under this MOU include or may be expanded to include faculty and researcher exchanges; student exchanges; mutual recognition and accreditation of courses; graduate student advising; development and/or delivery of courses; joint project development for external funding support; and any other area that may be mutually agreed upon by the two institutions. Such clearly beneficial activities will require specific arrangements, in particular with respect to financing.

### 3. Cooperative Research

It is recognized that significant opportunities exist for cooperative research between the two institutions. Such clearly beneficial activities may require specific arrangements, in particular with respect to financing. In view of the importance of cooperative research, both institutions agree to give high priority to this within their overall relationship, and to make every effort to develop programs within this area.

#### **4. Exchange of Faculty Members and Researchers**

Each institution will endeavour to facilitate visits by faculty members and researchers from the other. Visiting faculty members and researchers will comply with administrative procedures required by, and the regulations of, the host institution.

Each institution may provide economic support for visiting faculty members or researchers from the other institution, but is not required to do so.

Each institution will provide assistance to visiting faculty members and researchers from the other institution in securing living accommodations, but is not required to provide such accommodations.

Each institution will accord visiting faculty members and researchers from the other institution the use of research space (which must be negotiated and agreed upon prior to the visit), libraries and other facilities, opportunities to audit lectures free of charge and, to the extent possible, other common courtesies generally granted to guest scholars.

#### **5. Student Exchanges**

Both institutions will consider establishing student and research exchange programs for graduate and undergraduate students. The detailed conditions governing any such student or research exchange will be set forth in a separate agreement.

#### **6. Exchange of Scientific and Information Materials**

Both institutions agree to exchange as widely as is practicable such items as university calendars, prospectuses, course outlines, teaching materials, reference materials, scientific publications, journals and databases.

#### **7. Operational Constraints**

It is recognized that the implementation of program activities under this MOU will in every case be dependent upon the availability of necessary resources, either from within the institutions concerned or from external sources. In the case of externally funded projects, cooperative activities will be subject to the terms of the project of which they are a part.

#### **8. Specific Activities**

Both institutions agree that specific activities that may take place as a result of this MOU may be documented in subsequent more-detailed agreements which would then be appended to this one.

#### **9. Institutional Contacts**

The contact at Dalhousie for this MOU will be the Dean, Faculty of Agriculture. The contact at RVSKVV will be Prof. Surapaneni Koteswara Rao, Vice Chancellor.

#### **10. Duration of this MOU**

This MOU shall come into effect on **January 1, 2021**, and have a duration of five years,

after which extension, amendment or other changes may be made as agreed by both institutions. Within the initial five-year period, the terms of this MOU may be amended as required, subject to approval by each institution.

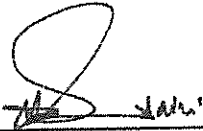
#### 11. Approval Procedure

Should this MOU require the approval of the Senate or other bodies within either institution, the signatories agree to initiate action for such approval at their respective institutions.

This agreement has been prepared in English, and the English version thereof shall prevail and be binding even though a translation may also be prepared.

Signed by:

**Dalhousie University**  
Halifax, Nova Scotia, Canada



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President and Vice-Chancellor

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