



भारतीय वन्यजीव संस्थान
Wildlife Institute of India



अखिल भारतीय तकनीकी शिक्षा परिषद्
All India Council for Technical Education

Memorandum of Understanding

Between

**Wildlife Institute of India
(WII)**

And

**All India Council for Technical Education
(AICTE)**

VP Singh

E. S. Luchi



This **MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING** ("MoU") is entered into with All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE), located at Nelson Mandela Marg, Vasant Kunj, New Delhi-110070, India, to be effective from **22nd May, 2023** by and between:

The Wildlife Institute of India (WII), an autonomous Institute of the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, Government of India, (hereinafter referred in short as WII) (which term shall unless expressly excluded by or is repugnant to the context, shall include its successors and assigns) located at Chandrabani, Dehra Dun, Uttarakhand – 248002 as the **FIRST PARTY**;

AND

The All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE), established under the AICTE Act, (52 of 1987), having its Registered Office at Nelson Mandela Marg, Vasant Kunj, New Delhi-110070, India, (hereinafter referred in short as AICTE)" (which term shall unless expressly excluded by or is repugnant to the context, shall include its successors and assigns) as the **SECOND PARTY**; together with First Party known as parties.

WHEREAS WII is one of the country's premier training and research institute in the field of Wildlife science and biodiversity conservation. Based in Dehra Dun, Uttarakhand, the institute was set up in 1982 with a mandate to train government and non-government personnel, carry out research and education, and provide advisory services on matters related to Wildlife Sciences. The institute was accorded autonomy in April 1986.

AND WHEREAS AICTE is constituted with a view of proper planning and coordinated development of a technical education system throughout India, the promotion of qualitative improvements of such education in relation to planned quantitative growth, and regulation & proper maintenance of norms and standards in the technical education system and for the matters connected therewith.

AND WHEREAS the parties, through professional interactions and collaboration seek to bring in a holistic qualitative enhancement in technical education in India in respect to Wildlife Sciences and Protected Area Management and Nature conservation, enter into this agreement to establish a strategic partnership in the areas given in more details in the succeeding paragraphs.

WII and AICTE, under this MoU, shall collectively work together to promote innovations for science based nature conservation that includes biodiversity conservation, protected area management and involving local communities in conservation to reduce human wildlife negative interaction covering terrestrial, freshwater and Marine ecosystems.

(1) Building upon these mandates, AICTE and WII will establish academic connectivity and synergy of academic complementation and collaboration to build capacity in identified areas/faculties of research and development in the country.



- (2) In the process, the AICTE will recognize WII, and the courses conducted by it, and promote these courses at the National and International levels for promoting science based biodiversity conservation and its application for sustainable natural resource management. The WII will conduct similar courses for AICTE and its nominated institutions at no profit no loss basis. Initially the following courses conducted/proposed by WII shall be recognized by AICTE:
- Post Graduate Diploma Course in Advanced Wildlife Management
 - Certificate course in Wildlife Management
 - Course/s on Fresh Water Ecology
 - M.Sc. Course in Wildlife Science
 - M.Sc. Course in Heritage Conservation and Management
- (3) Both the parties will strive to work for mainstreaming biodiversity and environment conservation in the regular curricula at various levels by providing training and academics inputs.
- (4) AICTE will recognize the newly created Centralized Ganga Aqualab/Centralized Ganga Knowledge Centre/Centre for River Research under the *Namami Gange* programme, as a Centre of Excellence and promote advance courses on freshwater ecosystems through required funding support.

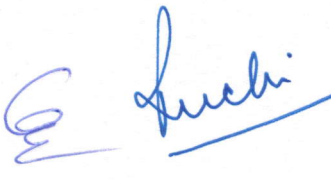

Definitive Agreement: There will be no financial obligation on the part of AICTE for implementation of this MoU. The cost associated with the execution of the objectives of this MoU, if any, shall be mutually discussed and agreed to between the parties in a definitive agreement, prior to carrying out the activity.

Term and Termination: The term of this MoU shall be for a period of TEN YEARS from the date of execution, unless terminated earlier by a written notice of thirty (30) days by a Party seeking such termination to the other Party, hereto. However, all commitments and obligations till the date of termination will be honored by both the parties.

Neither party shall assign or transfer the privileges and obligations under this MoU without the prior written consent of the other party.

Governing Law: This MoU shall be governed by and shall be construed in accordance with the laws of India and the competent Courts in New Delhi, India shall have the exclusive interpretational, injunctive and supervisory jurisdiction over the disputes arising out of this MoU.

Dispute Resolution: Any dispute or difference arising out of or relating to or touching upon this MoU shall be amicably settled by discussion between the authorized representatives of Parties, failing which such dispute or difference shall be resolved through Arbitration before a Sole arbitrator mutually agreed between the Parties. The arbitration shall be conducted in accordance with the Arbitration and Conciliation





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Act, 1996 read with Arbitration and Conciliation (amendment) Act, 2015 and 2019 and /or any modifications thereof. The seat and venue of arbitration shall be at New Delhi and language shall be English.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this MoU on this **22nd of May, 2023** at Dehra Dun, Uttarakhand.

For and on behalf of AICTE,
New Delhi

For and on behalf of WII,
Dehra Dun

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