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MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

Between

Department of Social Work,
Sardar Patel University,
Vallabh Vidyanagar, Anand,
Gujarat

HelpAge India



First Draft

(Duration: For one year)

Memorandum of Understanding

This MOU is entered on 24/11/2021 between Department of Social Work, Sardar Patel University and HelpAge India.

Article 01: Participation and Coordination

The partnership shall initially be between the following:

1. For Department of Social Work
2. For HelpAge India.

Prof. (Dr.) S. D. Mishra, Director shall be the Coordinator from Department of Social Work, and Mr. Nilesh Nalvaya shall be the Coordinator from HelpAge India. The participants and Coordinators may change from time to time as decided by competent authority of the respective institutions.

Article 02: Purpose of MOU

Exchange of information and sharing of experience- Representatives of both Parties, should arrange joint meetings at regular intervals to exchange experiences in education and research and to prepare proposals for joint projects.

Collaboration, Cooperation and Interaction- The Parties recognise the benefits to be derived from increased collaboration, cooperation and interaction for the purpose of promotion and understanding of high performance in awareness activities and organising various programmes including internships for students, of MSW and MSW(IIR) training/workshop/conference/seminars/conclave and engage them in different projects and other awareness activities.

The purpose of this MOU is to define the areas for Socio-academic aspects in which the parties desire to work together in the future for their mutual benefit to foster a collaborative frame work between Department of Social Work, Sardar Patel University, and HelpAge India in the field with a view to benefiting from each other's working procedure.

Research- Interdisciplinary or multi-disciplinary research projects can be done in collaboration; where in the available resources from both the institution can be utilised. The results of research findings dissemination will be decided by both the parties mutually. Joint publications with mutual consent also will be considered. They will also explore the possibilities of research in technology for distance and computer-based learning.

For HelpAge India

Nilesh G. Nalvaya
State Head Rajasthan

Fostering Virtual learning/hybrid learning- The Parties will explore the possibility of formulating a virtual/hybrid education program based on the expertise available in both institutions.

Article 03: Financing- This agreement will be non-financial from both the parties. In course of time, if it is mutually agreed by both the parties, the remuneration could be paid for rendering the services by both the institutions.

Article 04: The Parties Intend to

- Strengthen the ties between HelpAge India and Department of Social Work to make collaborative efforts in the field of Community and Society especially with Aged with respect to their Socio-Economical and health issues including their mental health.
- Collaboration in awareness campaigns and other field of mutual interest in the backdrop of Covid-19 pandemic.
- Engage students in Field Work/Internship/Block Placement and may support for students' employability.
- Engage students in collaborative extension activities.
- Encourage students to conduct field action projects. The results of research findings dissemination will be decided by both the parties mutually.
- For sharing the field expertise by both the parties as Resource Persons in each other's institution or in the sister-concerned institutions or could be in association with other institutions.

Article 05: Mode of Operation

- Both the Parties will provide necessary support for effective implementation of the MOU within the institutional rules and procedures.
- This MOU shall be effective from the date it is signed by both the parties.

Article 06: Validity

This MOU is valid for an initial period of 01 year and becomes effective from the date it is signed by the partners. The period may be extended by mutual consent. In case one party wishes to cancel the contract, it may be done so only by a prior intimation of at least three months.

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