

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MOU)

Between

Gujarat Institute of Development Research, Gota, Ahmedabad, Gujarat, India

And

Dr. Skill Outreach Pvt. Ltd, Gujarat, India

Gujarat Institute of Development Research (India (Hereby after is called “GIDR), established in 1970, is a premier organization recognized and supported by the Indian Council of Social Science Research, New Delhi, Government of India and Government of Gujarat. GIDR undertakes analytical and policy-oriented research concerning development issues. The Gujarat Institute of Development Research (GIDR) has made substantial contributions to the field of research, particularly in the domains of development and policy analysis. With a strong commitment to advancing knowledge and promoting sustainable development, GIDR has left a significant impact through its research initiatives, publications, and collaborations.

GIDR engages in a wide range of multidisciplinary research, addressing critical issues related to economic, social, and environmental development. Its research covers areas such as agriculture, industry, infrastructure, trade, finance, urbanization, poverty, human resource development, and governance. GIDR's research in natural resource management has led to insights into sustainable use and conservation of resources. This includes studies on water management, land-use patterns, and the impact of climate change on natural resources. GIDR's research often focuses on policy analysis and evaluation. The institute contributes by providing evidence-based insights that inform policy decisions at various levels of government and administration. The institute contributes to capacity building by conducting training programs, workshops, and seminars for researchers, policymakers, and development practitioners. This helps disseminate knowledge and promote informed decision-making.

AND

Dr. Skill Outreach Pvt. Ltd., Gujarat, India (Hereby after is called “Dr. Skill”) is dedicated to providing comprehensive training for skill development and preparing individuals for international job opportunities. Dr. Skill educational focus is on blue-collar and vocational training, giving young people the practical skills, they need to succeed in various industries. Dr. Skill's main goal is to empower individuals with the technical skills they need to succeed, while also fostering a strong commitment to sustainability in their professional and personal lives. Dr. Skill's aim to bridge the gap between education and employment, equipping our graduates with the tools to navigate the modern workforce and contribute to sustainable practices.

Dr. Skill aims to create a model institution that develops skilled and adaptable individuals ready to thrive in a rapidly changing world. Dr. Skill also strive to instill in students a deep appreciation for sustainability and a strong sense of civic duty and environmental stewardship. Dr. Skill's goals include building a skilled workforce committed to sustainable practices, offering specialized training in eco-

friendly innovations, and promoting cross-cultural understanding through immersive experiences. Dr. Skill's areas of focus include climate change and environment sustainability, renewable energy technologies, green construction and urban planning, rural development, sustainable social development, sustainable industrial development and sustainable agriculture.

WHEREAS PURPOSE & SCOPE

This MOU is intended to build mutual cooperation between the GIDR and Dr. Skill so as to learn, assimilate and develop further on the core strengths, experience and institutional objectives of the respective parties in the public interest of the advancement of training, research, studies, policy analysis, policy advice, consultancy, monitoring, evaluation, system development and technology development in issues and areas related to the development of the cooperation, cooperatives, SHG, SHG federation, FPOs, agriculture and farm livelihood, non-farm livelihood, innovation, entrepreneurship, tribal development, rural development, skill development, climate change, Agripreneurship and value chain development, natural farming, women empowerment and sustainability, waste management, financial inclusion, policy formation, marketing linkage, SOPs, strategy, training & capacity building, human resources, SMART Farming, IT, IoT, AI, start-ups, skill development, rural development, academics and allied sectors and to the holistic approach on sustainable development of communities, cooperatives and livelihood; and any area for the common interest for both.

RESPONSIBILITIES UNDER THIS MOU of BOTH PARTIES

1. Collaborate with each other in the advancement of systems development, technology development, innovation, entrepreneurship and action research in issues and areas related to the development of the livelihood, farm livelihood, non-farm livelihood, tribal development, climate change, rural development, agriculture, sustainability, waste management, natural farming, financial inclusion, human resources, food processing, SMART Farming, IT, IoT, AI, start-ups and allied sectors and to the holistic approach on sustainable development.
2. Collaborate with each other for Joint degree program, executive courses, special short term Academic Programs, certificate courses, language courses, vocational courses, access of facilities of each other, knowledge exchange etc.
3. Collaborate with each other for opening a Research Center/Extension Centre of skill development at GIDR to Carryout Academic Research from Social Science Perspective on Issues Related to sustainability in Gujarat and Elsewhere.
4. Collaborate with each other for research Grant for undertaking collaborative research in include climate change and environment sustainability, renewable energy technologies, green construction and urban planning, rural development, sustainable social development, sustainable industrial development, sustainable agriculture and any mutual interested area.
5. Collaborate with each other for the joint projects, conferences, workshops, etc.
6. Collaborate with each other for to establish of Special Purpose Vehicle for the academic program, skill development programs, joint projects, conferences, workshops, E-MBA program, and other

mutual interested activities.

7. Collaborate with each other for facilitation of operations of each other, connected with the advancement of training, action research, studies, consultancy, monitoring, evaluation systems development and technology development in issues and areas related to the development of the communities, agriculture, livelihood, farm livelihood, non-farm livelihood, tribal development, climate change, rural development, sustainability, waste management, natural farming, financial inclusion, and allied sectors and to the holistic approach on sustainable development.
8. Collaborate to organize national and international institution-building activities, training activities, research activities, studies, seminars, conferences and workshops, which are supported by any of the party.
9. Collaborate on the matters pertaining to the Formation and Promotion of FPOs, SHG Federation, Farmer Producer Organization (FPOs), cooperatives, Promotion of collectives with a focus on capacity building, training and skill development of stakeholders.
10. Collaborate on training and capacity building of community cadres, PACS, federation, other collectives, FPOs, women, farmers, staff of both parties etc.
11. Collaborate on the development of livelihood, farm livelihood, non-farm livelihood, innovation, entrepreneurship, tribal development, rural development, skill development, women empowerment, sustainability, financial inclusion, natural farming and allied sectors etc.
12. Collaborate on resources and facilities on matter pertaining to development of the communities, agriculture, livelihood, farm livelihood, non-farm livelihood, tribal development, climate change, rural development, sustainability, value chain management, organic supply chain, natural farming, waste management and allied sectors.
13. Support each other for collaboration with its partners in advancement of systems development, technology development, innovation, entrepreneurship and action research in issues and areas related to the development of the livelihood, farm livelihood, non-farm livelihood, social development, tribal development, skill development, innovation & entrepreneurship, climate change, rural development, the agriculture, sustainability, waste management, natural farming, financial inclusion and allied sectors and to the holistic approach on sustainable development.
14. Support each other for the usage of facilities including those connected with the advancement of training, action research, studies, consultancy, monitoring, evaluation systems development and technology development in issues and areas related to the development of the communities, livelihood, no farm livelihood, tribal development, skill development, innovation & entrepreneurship, climate change, rural development, the agriculture, sustainability, waste management, organic supply chain, natural farming, financial inclusion and allied sectors and to the holistic approach on sustainable development.
15. Support each other for collaboration with external agencies, NGOs, CSR organizations, government departments, global organizations, World Bank, BMGF, FAO, ADB, GIZ, MASHAV, NABARD, NDCD, NAFED, SFAC, NCUI, APMC, Boards etc. in the advancement

of training, action research, studies, policy analysis, policy advice, consultancy, monitoring, evaluation, system development and technology development in issues and areas related to the development of the SHG, SHG federation, cooperatives, the agriculture, farm livelihood, non-farm livelihood, innovation, entrepreneurship, tribal development, rural development, skill development, climate change, value chain development, natural farming, women empowerment, sustainability, waste management, financial inclusion, policy formation and allied sectors and to the holistic approach on sustainable development of communities as partner.

16. Collaborate to exchange Honorary/ adjunct professorship/ D.Lit./ honorary PhD to have support each other to access facilities of each other.
17. Collaborate any other issues for any other common issues, which is agreed by both parties.
18. Collaborate with each other to provide the necessary infrastructure to support for the joint Special Purpose Vehicle, E-MBA program, skill development programs, joint projects, conferences, workshops, E-MBA program, and other mutual interested activities.

Intellectual Property Rights

All right created by patent as a result of joint activity shall be shared by the Gujarat Institute of Development Research Ahmedabad, Gujarat, India and Dr. Skill Outreach Pvt. Ltd. Gujarat, India. Unless all the parties agree, no party shall individually, and without prior notice and consent of the others file or obtain patent whether in.

Modalities for Cooperation

1. For every specific area of cooperation falling under this MoU, both parties will discuss together allowing the Parties to agree on technical and financial settings. Such agreements will include a detailed work program and a breakdown of costs and will indicate funding modalities. Both parties shall take up funded consultancy projects, research activities and any other activities as mentioned in the MOU as requested by the any of the party on case-to-case basis.
2. The activities associated with the MoU shall be contingent upon the availability of sufficient human and financial resources, and the Parties will jointly devise strategies for seeking resources to meet desired objectives.
3. The Parties shall designate representatives that will serve as primary contact for the implementation of this MoU. The primary contacts will manage institutional communications between the Parties. Parties will not change the primary contacts for this communication. If necessary, thematic contacts designated as need arise will manage communication on substantive issues.
4. This MOU creates no binding on GIDR and Dr. Skill Outreach Pvt. Ltd to engage into any specific assignment without mutual consent form both sides.
5. GIDR and Dr. Skill Outreach Pvt. Ltd agrees to serve the cause of MoU with best intentions. In case of any disagreements between both the organizations, same shall be gracefully resolved using assistance from the apex officers of both organizations and their decisions will final and binding to both organizations.

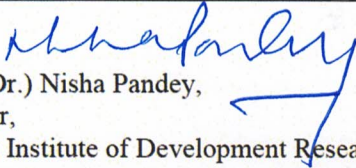
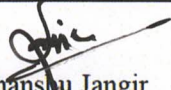
6. If any of the parties disagree to engage with third person/third party, none of the parties will engage that third person/party for the proposed project.

Entry into Force, Renewal and Termination

1. This MoU shall enter into force on the date of its last signature and will remain in force for ten years.
2. This MoU may be amended by mutual written agreement of the Parties. Unless, otherwise, agreed, amendments may apply to any activities, which have not yet been implemented.
3. It can be renewed through a further MoU or through an exchange of letters.
4. It may be terminated by either Party on one year written notice to the other Party. Such termination shall be without prejudice to a) the orderly completion of any on-going activity and b) any other rights and obligations of the Parties accrued prior to termination.
5. This MoU may be executed in separate counter parts by each of the Parties, both such counter parts together constituting but one and the same instrument. Such counter parts may be exchanged by confirmed facsimile transmission or in portable document format by electronic mail.

Disputes

Any disputes between the Parties arising out of this MoU shall be settled amicably through negotiation. Any difference that may not be so settled shall be brought to the attention of the


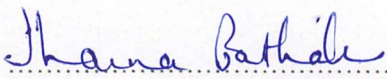
For Gujarat Institute of Development Research (GIDR)	For Dr. Skill Outreach Pvt. Ltd.
 Prof. (Dr.) Nisha Pandey, Director, Gujarat Institute of Development Research (GIDR)	 Mr. Sudhanshu Jangir, Founder Director, Dr. Skill. Outreach Pvt. Ltd.
Date: Place: Ahmedabad	Date: Place: Ahmedabad

signatories of this MoU or duly authorized representatives of the Parties for final resolution. This MoU is intended to be a legally binding document.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF SIGNING

MOU shall come into effect, upon the signatures, at Ahmedabad and shall remain in force for a period of five years, and get extended, automatically, for further periods of five years, unless terminated by either party with a notice in writing at least three (3) months prior to termination.

Signatures and Date:

<p>Witness:</p>  <p>.....</p> <p>Madhuvandan. B.</p>	 <p>.....</p>
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