



পশ্চিমবঙ্গ পশ্চিম বঙ্গাল WEST BENGAL

AA 265761

This memorandum of Understanding (MoU) is made on this, the 25<sup>th</sup> day of November 2021.

**BETWEEN**

Netaji Subhas Open University (NSOU) was established in 1997 by W.B. Act (XIX) 1997 of West Bengal State Legislative Assembly with the aim of disseminating knowledge and skills through distance learning, to build up the quality human resource base of the State and, along with other Open Universities of the country, and moves towards the improvement of the quality of open distance education. referred to (which term shall so far as the context admits be deemed to mean and include its successors and assignees), as the party of the first part;

**AND**

Krishna Kanta Handiqui State Open University (KKHSOU), established under the provision of the KKHSOU, Act' 2005 enacted by the Govt. of Assam & published in the Assam Gazette (extraordinary) dated 29/9/2005, through its Registrar, hereinafter referred to as "KKHSOU" (which term shall so far as the context admits be deemed to mean and include its successors and assignees), as the party of the second part;

**PREAMBLE**

**WHEREAS** both the Universities are established by state legislature having jurisdiction over the respective state boundaries have the mandate to cater to the education aspiration of the people of respective states.

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**AND WHEREAS** both the Universities have developed high quality Self Learning Materials, Videos including e-text at the Postgraduate, Undergraduate, Diploma and Certificate level following the UGC regulations issued from time to time.

**AND THEREFORE**, both the parties hereto, have decided for academic collaboration in sharing of resources generated for teaching learning activities including e-resources and video tutorials for natural benefit of the learners as per the following mutually agreed guidelines:

**1. Description of both institutions:**

Netaji Subhas Open University (NSOU) is the premier State Open University accredited by NAAC with 'A' Grade. It is the fifth Open University in the country. The jurisdiction of this university, is over the entire State of West Bengal. The NSOU has been recognized under section 2 (f) of the University Grants Commission Act, 1956. Its vision is to build up the quality human resource base of the State and, along with other Open Universities of the country, and moves towards the improvement of the quality of open distance education. It also intends to promote and develop appropriate ambience to develop an international standard distance education scenario in our country, keeping in view of the demands for education of the learners in tune with the requirements of the twenty-first century.

Krishna Kanta Handiqui State Open University (KKHSOU), Assam has been established by the Assam Legislature Act of 2005. KKHSOU has been recognized under Section 2(f) of the University Grants Commission Act, 1956. The University offers academic programmes through open and distance learning mode approved by University Grants Commission (UGC), New Delhi. Its vision is to promote education to reach the unreached through the Open and Distance Learning System, with the motto of the University '*Education Beyond Barriers*' of age, academic background and geographical boundaries.

**Objective:**

The main objective of the joint collaboration is to enhance relations between the two Universities and to develop academic and cultural interchange in the areas of education, research and other activities, agree to cooperate and work together towards the growth and development of higher education in the States and specially Open and Distance learning System.

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