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## MEMORANDA OF UNDERSTANDING

between

University of Mumbai, Mumbai

and

Food Safety and Standards Authority of India, West Region and

International Training Centre Food Safety and Applied Nutrition

THIS MEMORANDA OF UNDERSTANDING (MoU), entered into this October 21, 2023 by and between University of Mumbai, Mahatma Gandhi Road, Fort, Mumbai, Maharashtra (hereafter referred as University of Mumbai), Food Safety and Standards Authority of India, West Region (hereafter referred as FSSAI WR) and International Training Centre Food Safety and Applied Nutrition- joint body of FSSAI, Ministry of Health and Family Welfare and Export Inspection Council, Ministry of Commerce and Industry (hereafter referred as ITCFSAN).

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## WITNESSETH THAT:

WHEREAS, University of Mumbai, FSSAI WR and ITCFSAN desire to enrich their educational opportunities for affiliated colleges, institutes, university academic departments, students and faculty and to advance their pursuit of capacity development; and

WHEREAS, University of Mumbai, FSSAI WR and ITCFSAN together desire to encourage intellectual inquiry and share knowledge; and

WHEREAS, University of Mumbai, FSSAI WR and ITCFSAN together desire to strengthen and expand the mutual contacts between the three entities; and

WHEREAS, University of Mumbai, FSSAI WR and ITCFSAN together desire to provide for a variety of collaborative opportunities for faculties and students affiliated therein on the terms and conditions hereinafter set forth;

**NOW THEREFORE**, in consideration of the covenants and conditions contained in this MoU and for other valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, it is mutually agreed as follows:

## 1) Scope of MoU

- a. Areas of collaboration may be proposed by either entity and may include, but are not limited to:
- i) Joint academic programmes
- ii) Credit transfer academic programmes
- iii) Short term or long term students exchange
- iv) Internship programmes
- v) Joint cultural activity
- vi) Mobility of faculty, scholars, and students amongst one another, suitable for imparting knowledge, trainings and simulate such activities
- vii) Faculty professional development
- viii) Sharing or creation of educational materials and resources
- ix) Exchange of scientific knowledge and technology
- b. FSSAI WR shall support with IEC initiatives to build a healthy and aware student community including but not limited to-
- i) Awareness programs on healthy eating habits, and understanding of nutrient labeling of packaged food products
- ii) Millet recipes popularisation
- iii) Set up of Health Clubs in MU and affiliated institutions.
- iv) Support for FSSAI Eat Right Campus Certification
- c. ITCFSAN shall support with capacity building training programs including but not limited to –
- i) Academic programs based on NEP requirements for theory (Refer Annexure 1)
- ii) Creation of need based faculty development modules in areas of food science and nutrition
- iii) Program on Ayurveda Ahar as per IKS requirement of NEP
- iv) Imparting knowledge on millet standards

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- d. Any specific activity developed under this MoU shall be detailed in a subsequent MoU, signed by each of the entity's authorized signatory, which will describe the scope of the proposed activity, intended outcomes, budget, and responsible departments or individuals.
- e. All activities shall be subject to the availability of funds and the approval of each institution's authorized representatives.
- 2) Period of MoU This MoU shall be effective upon the date of final execution and will remain in force for a period of 5 years. Either entity may terminate the MoU by providing notice to the other entity in writing.
- 3) Notices Any required notice under this MoU is to be sent as follows:
  - a. If to University of Mumbai, Mahatma Gandhi Road, Fort, Mumbai, Maharashtra, Mumbai,
  - b. If to Food Safety and Standards Authority of India, West Region
  - c. If to International Training Centre Food Safety and Applied Nutrition
- 4) Activities Under This MoU It is expected that activities taking place under this MoU will be initiated primarily by respective allocated units within each entity, and in coordination with their respective administrative units concerned with international activities. All activities undertaken must conform to the policies and procedures in place at each entity.
- 5) Planning and Management of Activities Each distinct collaboration program or activity will be described in a separate Activity Agreement drawn up jointly and signed by authorized signatories of each entity. Such Agreements will specify the names of those individuals on each campus responsible for the implementation of the program and set forth all terms and conditions associated with the activity. The entities understand that each Activity Agreement may have different circumstances with respect to the personnel, types of activities, intellectual property and other deliverables that either entity may be required to contribute. Therefore, each entity reserves the righttoperform a separate risk assessment on the legal, tax and other liabilities that may arise under each Activity Agreement and to structure its deliverables under the Activity Agreement in a way that maximizes the cost and liability efficiencies for the respective entity.
- 6) Funding of Activities –Activity Agreements should make financial costs and obligations explicit. Collaborating units are encouraged to work together to identify and secure any outside funding which may be needed. Projects requiring funding must be approved by the appropriate authorities of these institutions.
- 7) Non-discrimination University of Mumbai, Mahatma Gandhi Road, Fort, Mumbai, Maharashtra, FSSAI WR and ITCFSAN agree that no person shall on the grounds of race, religion, colour, sex, age, national origin or ancestry, genetic information, marital status, parental status, sexual orientation, gender identity and expression, disability, or status as a veteran be excluded from participation under the terms of this MoU.
- 8) Use of Name Either entity will not use the name or logo of the other entities, nor of any member of either entity's program staff, in any publicity, advertising, or news release without the prior written approval of an authorized representative of either entity.

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- 9) **Modification** The terms of this MoU may be changed or modified only by writtenamendment signed by authorized persons of the parties hereto.
- 10) **Prevailing Language** Should this document be executed in two languages; the English version of this Memorandum of Understanding represents the understanding of both Parties. Any other version is provided as a translation. In the event of a conflict between the two versions, the English version will prevail.
- 11) Non-Binding Except with respect to Section VIII (Use of Name) and Section XI (Modification), this MoU is non-binding and solely for the purpose of establishing a basis upon which University of Mumbai, FSSAI WR and ITCFSAN will continue discussions. Either University of Mumbai, FSSAI WR and ITCFSAN may at its sole discretion terminate discussions for any reason by giving written notice of termination to the other. In the case of a dispute that arises relating to any aspect of cooperation under this MoU, the parties may attempt to resolve such dispute through friendly negotiation, or either entity may elect to terminate the MoU pursuant to the previous provision. Upon termination, the entities will have no further obligations hereunder.
- 12) **Notice** Any notices sent pursuant to this MoU shall be sent in writing. Delivery of any notice shall be deemed effective five (5) days after mailing or on the date delivered if by personal delivery.

n. If to University of Mumbai, Mahatma Gandhi Road, Fort, Mumbai, Maharashtra, 400032 India; Attn: Registrar, University of Mumbai.

- b. If to Food Safety and Standards Authority of India, West Region Office Unit no. 1202, 12th floor, Hallmark Business Plaza, Opposite Guru Nanak Hospital, Bandra East, Mumbai 400051. Attn: Regional Director, FSSAI WR
- c. If to International Training Centre Food Safety and Applied Nutrition, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Export Inspection Agency, Cross Road A, MIDC, Andheri East, Mumbai, Maharashtra 400093. Attn: Director in-charge, ITCFSAN

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, University of Mumbai, FSSAI WR and ITCFSAN have executed this MoU as of the date first above written.

Signing for-University of Mumbai, Mahatma Gandhi Road,

Fort, Mumbai, Maharashtra

Date: October 19, 2023

Signing for-Food Safety and Standards Authority of India, West Region

Date: October 19, 2023

Signing for-

International Training
Centre Food Safety and

Applied Nutrition

Date: October 19, 2023