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This Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) made on ____ day of ____, 2024 at Pune.

BETWEEN

Savitribai Phule Pune University, Ganeshkhind, Pune – 411007, a body corporate governed by the Maharashtra Public Universities Act, 2016 (hereinafter referred to as 'the SPPU') through the Registrar, of the One Part.

AND

Bhaktivedanta Research Center, Pune hereinafter referred to as 'BRC-Pune' which expression shall unless repugnant to the context or meaning thereof includes its successors and permitted assigned, of the Second Part;

SPPU and BRC-Pune are hereinafter referred individually as 'party' and collectively as 'parties.

WHEREAS SPPU is one of the premier universities in India, providing education, research and consultancy in various areas of Technology, Science, Humanities and Social Sciences, etc.;

AND WHEREAS BRC-Pune is Branch of BRC-Global which provides platform for preserving, researching and disseminating the rich history, philosophy and cultural heritage of India.

By this MoU, the parties hereto have decided to cooperate; collaborate and further agree as under:

1. Objectives:

- To provide value-based education to students, develop their life skills, teach them practical methods of controlling their negative behavioral patterns, selfmanagement, leadership development.
- To improve spiritual intelligence, emotional fitness, green skills and protection of environment and mother earth.
- To Upliftment of tribal communities, downtrodden societies and weaker sections of the society.
- To share/ exchange the resources such as libraries, researchers, research projects, available with both the parties.
- To conduct programs of academic and non-religious variety.

2. Roles and Responsibilities of SSPU:

- Department of Philosophy, SPPU, Pune will share the academic expertise and experience with the students of BRC Pune.
- Department of Philosophy, SPPU, Pune will jointly work with BRC Pune and exchange the students training.
- Department of Philosophy, SPPU, Pune will conduct academic and nonreligious programs in collaboration with BRC Pune.
- Department of Philosophy, SPPU, Pune will empower, promote, propagate, organize and conduct various social welfare initiatives and drives jointly planned with BRC Pune.
- All other activities related to research, training and education under the rules and regulations of SPPU and Maharashtra Universities Act.

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Final authority of all decisions will be University.

3. Roles and Responsibilities of BRC-Pune:

- BRC-Pune will allow its infrastructure as well as library for the staff and students
 Department of Philosophy, SPPU, Pune for academic and research purpose.
- BRC-Pune will take up research projects jointly with Department of Philosophy,
 SPPU, Pune and participates in necessary activities.
- BRC-Pune will provide its global academic scholar and resource persons to train the staff and students of Department of Philosophy, SPPU, Pune online or offline.
- BRC-Pune will join with its various libraries to Department of Philosophy, SPPU,
 Pune.
- BRC-Pune will try to provide financial assistance to the researchers from available funding agencies.

4. Scope of Collaboration:

- Training programs, workshops, seminars and conferences involving experts from Pune, India and abroad.
- Publishing newsletters, Journals, research papers, books to promote research culture.
- Taking up research projects jointly with the help of local and global experts.
- Revitalizing the present education and research system by value based, morally supported, innovative and need based system, in various faculties of humanity, such as Indian philosophy, sociology, psychology, anthropology, history, Sanskrit, music, culture., rooted in the wisdom of ancient Indian philosophical traditions and fortified with the rigor of modern science.

5. Binding of the MoU:

- 5.1 Nothing in this MOU shall be construed to make either party a partner, an agent or legal representative of the other for any purpose.
- 5.2 The parties hereby agree that they are not bound exclusively by this Memorandum and shall be at liberty to enter into any separate agreements or arrangements with any third party without reference to the other party.

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However, each party will disclose similar arrangements they enter into with third parties.

5.3 Cost and expenses involved in the implementation of this MoU will be borne by each on individual basis.

6. Terms and Termination:

- 6.1 This MoU shall come into force on the date of its signing by the authorized representatives of the parties hereto and shall remain in force for a period of 3 years (and can be extended for two years if both parties agree). And thereafter it may be further extended with written mutual consent of the parties.
- 6.2 Either party may terminate this MoU by giving 3 months' prior notice in writing to the other Party explicitly mentioning the reason(s) thereof, dishonoring any commitment made prior to the date of termination notice.

7. Dispute Resolution:

Any difference or dispute between the Parties concerning the interpretation and/or implementation and/or application of any of the provisions of this Memorandum of Understanding shall be settled amicably through mutual consultation and/or negotiation between the Parties, without recourse to any third party or court.

8. Confidentiality, Intellectual Property and Use of Name & Logo:

- 8.1 Each party shall understand to observe the confidentiality and secrecy of documents, information and other data received from or given to the other Party during the period of the implementation of this Memorandum of Understanding or any other agreements made pursuant thereto.
- 8.2 The protection of intellectual property rights shall be enforced in conformity with the laws, rules and regulations in force from time to time.
- 8.3 Each party may use the name, logo and/or official emblem of other party for the purposes of this MoU with the prior written approval of other Party.

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9. Amendment:

9.1 Either Party may request in writing a revision, modification or amendment of all or any part of this Memorandum of Understanding, and any revision, modification or amendment agreed to by the Parties shall be presented in writing and signed by authorized representatives of both the Parties. Such amendment/s shall form part of this Memorandum of Understanding.

9.2 Both the parties will review the activities on quarterly basis at the place/location agreed mutually.

10. Contacts:

Each party hereby designates and appoints its representative with overall responsibility for implementing this memorandum and the representatives are duly authorized to sign the MOU. Single Point of contact from BRC-Pune will be Dr. Janardan Chitode (Dean, Academics, BRC-Pune). The Parties may, by written notice to the other Party, designate additional or different person as appoints of contact but the Parties expect to have only one person at a time designated as the person with overall responsibility for all activities undertaken pursuant to this Memorandum.

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11. Further Acts and Assurances:

Each party agrees to execute and deliver all such further instruments and to do and perform all such further acts and things, as shall be necessary and required to carry out the provision of this MoU and to consummate the transactions contemplated herein.

Signed for and on behalf of Bhaktivedanta Research Center, Pune Signed for and on behalf of Savitribai Phule Pune University, Pune

Dr. K.N. Dhumal

Hon. Director, Bhaktivedanta Research Center, Pune Prof. (Dr.) Suresh Gosavi

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Savitribai Phule Pune University

Prof. (Dr.) Parag Kalkar Pro-Vice Chancellor

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Officiating Registrar

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Witnesses:

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Director, Innovation, Incubation
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Prof. (Dr.) S.S. Akashkar Head of the Department Department of Philosophy