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# **Symbiosis Centre for Distance Learning**

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## **Memorandum of Understanding**

**Between**

**Symbiosis Open Education Society, Pune**

(Referred as SOES)

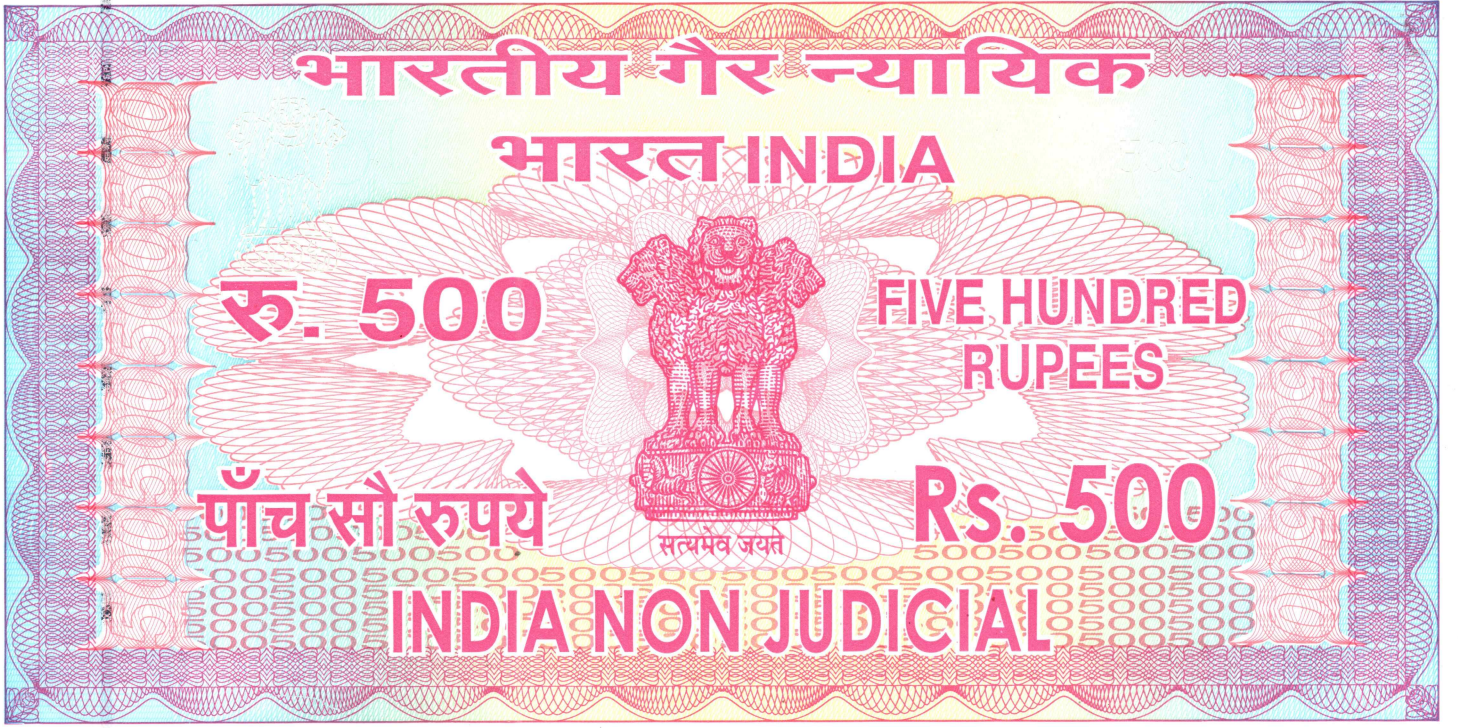
**and**

**Bhaktivedanta Research Center, Pune**

(Affiliated to Savitribai Phule Pune University, Pune)

(Referred as **BRC-Pune**)





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मुद्रांक विकत घेणाऱ्याचे नांव Symbiosis Centre for Distance Learning  
पत्ता Kivale Pune

दुसऱ्या पक्षकाराचे नांव Bhaktivedanta Research center trust

हस्ताक्षराचे नांव व पत्ता Shashank Wadekar

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## Memorandum of Understanding (MoU)

Between

**Symbiosis Open Education Society,**

1065 B, Chatuhshrungi Road, Model Colony, Shivajinagar, Pune, Maharashtra 411016

(Referred as SOES)

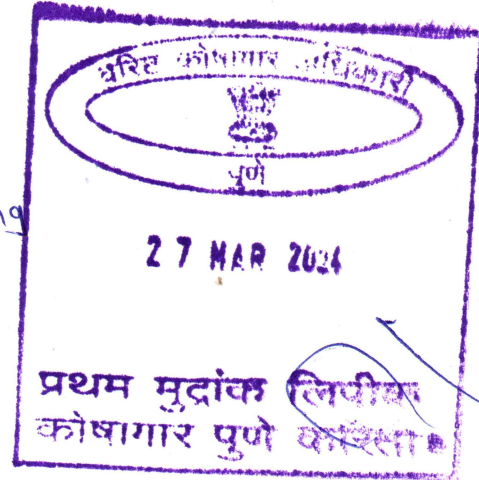
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NVCC, Survey No. 50, Katraj-Kondhwa Road, Pune-41048,

(Referred as **BRC-Pune**)





## ARTICLE I: BACKGROUND

This memorandum of understanding is hereby signed between

**Symbiosis Open Education Society**, a society registered under Societies Registration Act, 1860 bearing Registration No. MAH/806/2008/Pune and a charitable trust registered under Bombay Public Trust Act, 1950 bearing Registration No. F/23939 having office at Symbiosis Bhavan, 1065 B, Gokhale Cross Road, Model Colony, Shivajinagar, Pune, Maharashtra - 411016, through its constituent **Symbiosis Centre for Distance Learning** (hereinafter referred to as "SCDL". **Symbiosis Centre for Distance Learning ("SCDL") is one of the constituents of SOES** having academic expertise in various Management based programs in distance education mode.

### AND

**Bhaktivedanta Research Center, Pune** (Referred as **BRC-Pune**) a charitable trust having Registered under West Bengal Public Trust Act, 1962 vide Regn.no.190303676/2017-18 with **registered office** at 110A, Motilal Nehru Road, Kolkata 700029, West Bengal, India and **Branch office** at Survey No. 50, Katraj Kondhwa Road, Pune represented by Dr. Janardan Chitode (Dean Academics).

**BRC-Pune** is a recognized research center with reference to Savitribai Phule Pune University affiliation letters no CA/742, Dated: 15/07/2021, and further with the continuation letter no CA/2082, Dated: 07/11/2022.

BRC at Pune is being promoted by Bhaktivedanta research Centre trust. This trust has already established **BRC-Mumbai** research center at Govardhan Eco Village, District Palghar, Maharashtra and it is affiliated to University of Mumbai.

BRC is globally connected with many international academicians and research scholars of prestigious universities by conducting conferences, seminars, workshops and training programs regularly and also involved in many research projects. BRC has libraries located at their different center that consists of thousands of books, periodicals, manuscripts etc.

The Bhaktivedanta Research Center, Pune is established at the premises of New Vedic Cultural Center (NVCC) Pune for preserving, researching, and disseminating the rich history, philosophy, and cultural heritage of India.

BRC will provide training, guiding, academic and research expertise/platform to various sections of the society such as universities, academic institutes, researchers and interested individuals. It has taken many research projects on ancient Indian history, culture and Vedic wisdom. BRC is well equipped with libraries, manuscripts, journals, and state of the art training facilities.

This MoU will be w.e.f. **17<sup>th</sup> April 2024** and will be for a period of **60 months** from the date of agreement i.e., till **16<sup>th</sup> April 2029** & could be renewed further **after 5 years**.

As per this MoU various activities such as training courses, seminars, workshop, and conferences will be conducted to provide value-based education to students, develop their life skills, teach them practical methods of controlling their negative behavioral patterns, self-management, and leadership development. Under this MoU efforts will also be taken to improve spiritual intelligence, emotional fitness, green skills and protection of environment and mother earth. Upliftment of tribal communities, downtrodden societies and weaker sections of the society will also be given special attention.



## **ARTICLE II: SCOPE OF THE COLLABORATION**

### **Role of Department SCDL in this MoU**

1. SCDL, Pune will share the academic expertise and experience with the students of BRC Pune.
2. SCDL & BRC, Pune will jointly offer certification programs, workshops & seminars to improve the spiritual intelligence, life skills & emotional well-being of the participants.
3. SCDL will empower, promote, propagate, organize, and conduct various social welfare initiatives and drives jointly planned with BRC Pune.
4. BRC Pune will act as knowledge partner for designing, teaching and assessing courses based on IKS.

### **Role of BRC-Pune in this MoU**

1. BRC-Pune will allow its infrastructure as well as library for the staff and students of SCDL, Pune for academic and research purpose.
2. BRC-Pune will take up research projects jointly with SCDL, Pune and participates in necessary activities.
3. BRC-Pune will provide its global academic scholar and resource persons to train the students enrolled for various certification programs of SCDL, Pune.
4. BRC-Pune will join with its various libraries to SCDL, Pune Apart from the above both parties agree to extend support to each other to make this initiative a success.

## **ARTICLE III: THE AGREEMENT**

- At SCDL, Pune this MoU will be administered by **Dr. Swati Mujumdar**, Principal Director, SOES, Pune and at BRC-Pune, this MoU will be administered by **Dr. Janardan Chitode** (Dean Academics, BRC Pune).
- This MoU may also involve parties by mutual consent, which may be added later by written addendum to this MoU.
- The parties may enter into specific written agreements under authority of this MoU to clarify and define the nature, extent and terms of operation for the proposed collaborations, including intellectual property ownership and funding issues.



#### ARTICLE IV: GENERAL TERMS

1. This MoU is not intended to and does not create any right, benefit or trust, responsibility, substantive or procedural, enforceable at law or equity, by either party, its officers, employees, or agents against the other party, its officers, employees, or agents.
2. Nothing in this MoU obligates either party to commit or transfer any funds, assets, or other resources in support of projects or activities between the parties unless expressly stated in this agreement.
3. Both parties are entitled to jointly claim the credits of seminars, courses, research papers, conferences, and any other publications as the outcome of various activities planned under this MoU.
4. The activities of this MoU must be carried out in accordance with appropriate laws and regulations existing in India.
5. If any funding is received by external agencies for supporting the activities planned under this MoU, it should be jointly utilized with mutual consent as per the requirement. Revenue collected from any type of activity under this MoU will be shared by both the parties depending upon the resources involved.
6. **Dispute resolution:** All disagreement/differences/disputes arising hereunder shall be resolved amicably by the designated officers of both parties.



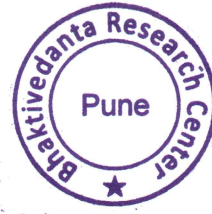


**Symbiosis Open Education Society, Pune**

**Signed by**

**Dr. Swati Mujumdar**

Principal Director, SOES, Pune



**BRC-PUNE, Pune**

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Dean Academics,  
BRC-Pune

**Dr. K. N. Dhumal**

Honorary Director,  
BRC-Pune

**Witness**

**Dr. Shilpa Prabhu**

Director,  
SCOL, Pune

**Witness**

**Mr. Sanjay Bhosale,**

Director – Admin,  
BRC-Pune

**Mr. Bhushan Kumar Chaudhari**

Secretary,  
BRC-Pune

**Date: 17/04/2024**

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## Digital Launch of “Life Skill Principles from Bhagvad Gita”

### Table Program

Sr. No.	Timing	Activity
1	11.30 am - 11.35 am	Lighting of Lamp
2	11.35 am - 11.45 am	Welcome Address by <b>Dr. Swati Mujumdar,</b> Principal Director, SOES
3	11.45 am - 12.00 pm	Inaugural Address by <b>Dr. S. B. Mujumdar,</b> Founder and President, Symbiosis
4	12.00 pm - 12.10 pm	Digital Launch
5	12.10 pm - 12.25 pm	Address by <b>Bhakti Vedant Research Centre</b>
6	12.25 pm - 12.30 pm	Vote of Thanks

**Launch Venue:** Symbiosis Bhavan, 1065 B, Chatuhshrungi Rd,  
Model Colony, Shivajinagar, Pune, Maharashtra 411016

**Date :** 17th April 2024. **Timing:** 11.30 am to 12.30 pm.

