



MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

Between

**MAHATMA GANDHI CENTRAL UNIVERSITY, MOTIHARI, EAST CHAMPARAN,
BIHAR**

(A Central University established by an Act of Parliament)

And

**RANI LAKSHMI BAI CENTRAL AGRICULTURAL UNIVERSITY
JHANSI (UTTAR PRADESH)**

(An Institution of National Importance established by an Act of Parliament)

On

February 19th, 2026



First Party Name * : Not Applicable

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2026 with respect to establishment of joint research, educational programs and community engagement

through joint extension activities.

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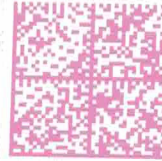
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FIRST PARTY.

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(An Institution of National Importance established by an Act of Parliament)

For facilitating

Teaching and Research with collaborative efforts

This **Memorandum of Understanding** (hereinafter called the 'MoU') is made on this **19th day of February 2026** with respect to establishment of joint research, educational programs and community engagement through joint extension activities.

BETWEEN

MAHATMA GANDHI CENTRAL UNIVERSITY (MGCU), Motihari (Bihar), a Central University established by an Act of Parliament, herein represented by its Head of Department Botany..... hereinafter referred to as "**MGCU**" (which expression shall, unless excluded by or repugnant to the context be deemed to include its successors in office, representative, administrators and assigns) as the **FIRST PARTY**.

AND

Rani Lakshmi Bai Central Agricultural University (RLBCAU), Jhansi (Uttar Pradesh) a premier institution established as an Institution of national importance under Department of Agricultural Research and Education (DARE) by an Act of Parliament (Act No. 10 of 2014) and notified on 5th March, 2014 herein represented by its..... hereinafter referred to as "**RLBCAU**" (which expression shall, unless excluded by or repugnant to the context be deemed to include its successors in office, representative, administrators and assigns) as the **SECOND PARTY**.

The parties, having discussed fields of common research interests and allied activities between the two Universities, have decided to enter into long-term collaboration for promotion of educational programs, joint research in cutting edge areas and community engagement through joint extension activities.

WHEREAS the 'First Party' is involved in research, education and extension programs in Science, Social science, Management and allied fields.

AND WHEREAS the "Second Party" is involved in research, education and extension programs in Agriculture and allied fields.

AND WHEREAS it has been considered expedient to agree in writing to participate jointly in the projects requiring expertise and logistics from both the parties.


(Signature of First Party) 19/02/2026


(Signature of Second Party) 13/3/2026

ARTICLE I: BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE


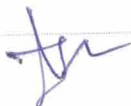
- 1.1 To establish a framework for academic cooperation and coordination between the MGCU and RLBCAU.
- 1.2 To bring the faculties, research scholars and students of both universities to work together towards a common goal as addressed in the MoU.
- 1.3 Co-operation between the parties may be established within the areas of research, academic exchange of students and faculties as and when required and with respect to the matter of academic importance and other mutually agreeable issues.
- 1.4 For the purpose of this Memorandum of Understanding:

- A 'home institution' refers to the institution where the student(s) is a full-time student, and from where she/he is expected to graduate or where a faculty member(s) is employed.
- A 'host institution' refers to the institution that receives the student(s) for a specified period of time to undertake a pre-determined programme of study or research or receives the faculty member(s) for a specified period of time to participate in academic and/or research programme(s).
- A 'short-term course' refers to an academic programme of less than six months' duration.

ARTICLE II: COLLABORATIVE ACTIVITIES

Both the Institutions (MGCU & RLBCAU) have identified the following areas of mutual co-operation:

- 2.1 Faculty member(s) of MGCU would collaborate with RLBCAU for undertaking joint research/academic program.
- 2.2 MGCU and RLBCAU may collaborate for projects related to technology transfer to farmers in their surrounding area.



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- 2.3 MGCU and RLBCAU may apply for collaborative projects to National and International funding agencies.
- 2.4 RLBCAU would provide short-term training / summer training / laboratory facility to the student(s) / research scholar(s)/ faculty of MGCU in their respective areas of specialization.
- 2.5 RLBCAU would facilitate research scholars of MGCU as part of collaborative research, with faculty at RLBCAU acting as co-guide.

ARTICLE III. MANAGEMENT

- 3.1 A joint Advisory Committee of two (2) persons from each university will be constituted for monitoring of the progress of different activities under this MoU and take care of operational issues.
- 3.2 The Advisory Committee will meet at least once in a year alternatively in the institutions of the First party and the Second party to review the activities after launch of joint projects.

ARTICLE IV. EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION

- 4.1 The term "information" includes scientific or technical data, results and/or methods of investigation, and other information intended to be provided, exchanged, or arising under project descriptions entered into pursuant to this MoU.
- 4.2 The parties support the widest possible dissemination of information. Each party in joint projects shall be given the right to use, disclose, publish or disseminate such information for any and all purposes with mutual consent.

ARTICLE V. GENERAL PROVISIONS

- 5.1 The travel expenses of the faculty member(s)/research scholar(s)/student(s) visiting the host institution shall be borne by the home institution.
- 5.2 The registration of RLBCAU sponsored PhD scholar(s) would be subjected to the MGCU norms.
- 5.3 A faculty member/research scholar/student will be liable to pay for the damages caused directly or indirectly in the host institution as per the rules and regulations of host institution.
- 5.4 Neither institution shall be held responsible for any mishap/injury (fatal or non-fatal) incurred by a faculty member research scholar/student during his/her stay in the host institution.
- 5.5 The stay hours of the faculty member(s)/research scholar(s)/student(s) will be fixed as per the discretion of the host institution.
- 5.6 MGCU and RLBCAU would be free to carry out follow-up research on the projects conducted under this MoU.
- 5.7 Guides from neither institution shall publish the work carried out under this MoU without the written consent of the other party.
- 5.8 During the tenure of the MoU both MGCU and RLBCAU will maintain strict confidentiality and prevent disclosure of all the information and data exchanged under the scope of this MoU for any purpose other than in accordance with this MoU.

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- 5.9 This MoU is subject to approval by competent authorities, according to the statutes of each institution. This MoU shall become effective when both signatures are affixed.
- 5.10 The implementation and/or conduct of a program, course or activity shall be negotiated and determined mutually by both the institutions.
- 5.11 The autonomy of either institution shall not be diminished, nor constraints be imposed on to carry out this MoU.

ARTICLE VI . INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY RIGHTS

- 6.1 The faculty member(s)/research scholar(s)/student(s) and concerned authorities are expected to protect the Intellectual Property Rights (IPR) generated or likely to be generated during their research work. The IPR shall rest with the institution where the actual research work was carried out. In the event of equal amount of work being carried out at both the institutions, patents/protections/knowledge generated will be shared in proportion as per the UGC guideline as amended from time to time. Both the parties shall be the joint applicants for IPRs.


ARTICLE VII. TERMS AND CONDITIONS FOR ADMISSION TO DOCTORAL PROGRAMME AT MGCU

- 7.1 All the candidates who wish to register for Doctoral programme under this MoU must apply for admission at the First party. The criterion for allocation of Co-Major Advisor from RLBCAU will primarily be governed by the intellectual input of the scientist from RLBCAU. It may be decided by mutual consent, keeping in view the MoU signed between the parties.
- 7.2 Admission of the students and the award of degrees for different programmes will be the responsibility of the First party as per the rules and regulations.
- 7.3 The faculty and students of MGCU shall be issued identity cards/ or application/ papers upon individual requests, through concerned Rector /HODs/ Dean MGCU, to be shown to authorities of the Institute as per NIHE rules so as to provide access to laboratories, library and other facilities of the Institute. Similarly, NIHE staff and research scholars will be provided access to MGCU facilities upon production of authentic identity cards/papers issued by NIHE.

ARTICLE VIII. ENTRY INTO EFFECT, MODIFICATION AND TERMINATION

- 8.1 This MoU shall become effective on the date it is signed by the parties and shall be valid for **Three years**. Both parties shall review the status of the MoU at the end three year period to determine any modification, whenever necessary. The period of validity of this MoU may be extended by mutual consent up to **Two** years. This MoU may be amended by mutual written agreement and may be terminated at any time by either party upon written notification signed by the competent authority of the party initiating termination. Such notification must be given to the other party at least six months in advance from the effective date of termination.
- 8.2 All joint activities not completed at the expiration of termination of the MoU may be continued until their completion under the terms of this MoU.




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- 8.3 No amendment or modification of the MoU shall be valid unless the same is made in writing by both the parties or their authorized representatives and specifically stating the same to be amendment of the MoU. The modifications / changes shall become part of the MoU and shall be effective from the date on which they are made / executed, unless otherwise agreed to.

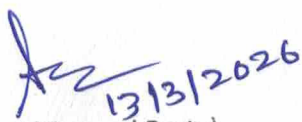
ARTICLE IX: INDEMNIFICATION

- 9.1 Each Party shall, at its own expense, defend, indemnify, and hold the other Party harmless for damages, liabilities, claims, losses, costs, demands, suits, actions, and reasonable expenses (including but not limited to reasonable attorneys' fees and settlement costs) (collectively, "Damages") arising out of or related to any third party suits or claims brought against the indemnified Party (i) arising out of or related to the indemnifying Party's violation of any applicable laws, gross negligence, or willful misconduct; or (ii) arising out of or related to any physical damage to property, or personal injury or death, caused by the indemnifying Party or any of its Affiliates, participants, officers, directors, and employees.
- 9.2 The indemnifying party shall be granted immediate and complete control of any claim of indemnity and the indemnified party shall not prejudice the indemnifying party's defense of the claim.
- 9.3 The indemnified party shall give the indemnifying party all reasonable assistance at the expense of the indemnifying party on such claim of indemnity.

ARTICLE X: FORCE MAJEURE

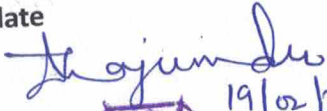
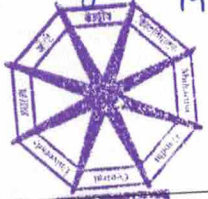
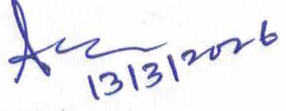
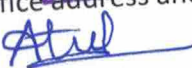

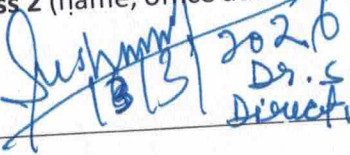
- 10.1 The Party shall not be liable for any failure to perform, any of its obligations under this MoU if the performance is prevented, hindered or delayed by a *Force Majeure* event (defined below) and in such case its obligations shall be suspended for so long as the *Force Majeure* Event continues. Each party shall promptly inform the other of the existence of a *Force Majeure* Event and shall consult together to find a mutually acceptable solution.
- 10.2 "*Force Majeure* Event" means an event which is beyond the reasonable control of the Parties concerned, including, without limitation, unavailability of any communication system, sabotage, fire, flood, explosion, acts of God, civil commotion, strikes or industrial action of any kind, riots, insurrection, war or acts of government.


(Signature of First Party) 19/02/2026


(Signature of Second Party) 13/3/2026

This MoU has been executed in two originals, one of which has been retained by the First party and the other by the Second party).

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have executed this MoU and represent that they approve, accept and agree to terms contained herein.

For,	For,
(MAHATMA GANDHI CENTRAL UNIVERSITY, MOTIHARI)	(RANI LAKSHMI BAI CENTRAL AGRICULTURAL UNIVERSITY, JHANSI)
Name: <u>SHANANA MAJUMDER</u> Designation: <u>PROFESSOR & HOD</u> Tel. No. <u>9311492227</u> Signature with date  <u>19/02/2026</u> Office Seal 	Name: <u>Dr. Shripal Singh Kushwah</u> Designation: <u>Registrar (obtg.)</u> Tel No: <u>131312026</u> Signature with date  <u>13/3/2026</u> कुलसचिव, Registrar रानी लक्ष्मी बाई केन्द्रीय कृषि विश्वविद्यालय Rani Lakshmi Bai Central Agricultural University झाँसी, JHANSI Office Seal
Witness 1 (name, office address and signature)  <u>(DR. ATUL BHARGAVA)</u> Associate Professor Dept. of Botany MGU	Witness 1 (name, office address and signature)  <u>Dr. S.K. Chaturvedi</u> Director Research, RBICAU
Witness 2 (name, office address and signature) <u>Dr. Ram Prasad Ramprasad</u> Associate Professor Dept. of Botany, MGU	Witness 2 (name, office address and signature)  <u>13/3/2026</u> <u>Dr. S.K. Singh</u> Director Extension