MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING
between
THE OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY, COLUMBUS, OHIO, U.S.A.
and
AMITY UNIVERSITY, NOIDA, INDIA

In accordance with a mutual desire to promote further cooperation in higher education between the United States of America and India, Amity University, Noida, India and The Ohio State University on behalf of its Carbon Management and Sequestration Center within the College of Food, Agricultural, and Environmental Sciences, Columbus, Ohio, USA enter into this formal agreement for the purpose of educational and cultural exchange.

The two institutions have found it mutually beneficial to initiate the following cooperative activities:

1. Exchange of theses, teaching materials, and other scientific and technological literature
2. Research collaboration
3. Exchange of faculty and scholars for lecturing, advanced studies, and research
4. Conduct of joint workshops, symposia, etc on topics of mutual interest, and
5. Exploration of potential student exchanges. (Student exchanges shall require separate written agreements between the parties.)

It is understood that the details of joint activities, conditions for utilization of the results achieved, and arrangements for specific visits, exchanges, and all other forms of cooperation will be negotiated for each specific case. All specific arrangements will require separate written agreements. It is also understood that any financial arrangements will be negotiated in each specific case and will depend upon the availability of funds. Each party agrees to seek financial resources for supporting such exchanges and collaboration.

Visiting Scholars and Researchers: Visa and Insurance Requirements
Under this Agreement, Visiting Scholars and Researchers taking part in programs shall comply with the immigration requirements of the Host Institution.

1. The Host Institution will provide the appropriate counseling and other assistance to the Visiting Scholars or research scientists. Information on housing options will be provided.
2. The Host Institution shall provide the Visiting Scholars with a formal letter of invitation and other documents as may be required to establish Visiting Scholar status to obtain visas and for other purposes.

3. To qualify for J-1 visa, Visiting Scholars to The Ohio State University must demonstrate that they have sufficient funds to cover such living expenses which amount to approximately $19,200 per calendar year, pro-rated accordingly, or the actual cost of living per calendar year, pro-rated accordingly. In addition Visiting Scholars must purchase health insurance subject to The Ohio State University’s rules. See: http://oia.osu.edu/int-scholars/j-1-visiting-scholars/required-health-insurance.html for full explanation of The Ohio State University’s health insurance coverage requirements.

4. The Host Institution shall provide a post-arrival orientation to assist Visiting Scholars in settling quickly into life at the Host Institution.

5. All scholar services and facilities of the Host Institution will be made available to Visiting Scholars.

6. Each Party is responsible for providing complete information about the terms and conditions of this Agreement to its participants, including the pertinent laws and regulations of the host countries and the respective host institutions.

This agreement will be in force for a period of five (5) years from the latest date appearing below. It may be renewed for additional periods of five years if both institutions, acting independently, agree in writing to renew it at least six (6) months before it expires.
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