

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING
Between
CENTRE FOR ENVIRONMENT EDUCATION
&
MAHARANI LAKSHMI AMMANNI COLLEGE FOR WOMEN (AUTONOMOUS)

About CEE: Centre for Environment Education (CEE) was established in 1984 as a 'Centre of Excellence' of the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (MoEFCC), Government of India, with its headquarters in Ahmedabad. The Centre has a mandate to promote environmental awareness nationwide. It develops innovative programmes and educational materials, and builds capacity in the field of education and communication for sustainable development. It undertakes demonstration projects in education, communication and development that endorse attitudes, strategies and technologies that are environmentally sustainable. The CEE South, the Southern Regional office of the Centre situated at Bengaluru caters to the needs of the Centre's mandate in states of Andhra Pradesh, Telangana, Karnataka, Kerala, Tamil Nadu, Lakshadweep, Andaman & Nicobar Islands and the UT of Pondicherry.

The **Centre for Environment Education** is a Society registered under the Societies Registration Act, 1860, having its registered office at Thaltej Tekra, Ahmedabad 380054, acting through its Southern Regional Cell (hereafter referred "CEE South") situated at 5th Floor, Vanavikas, Karnataka Forest Development Corporation Ltd., 18th Cross, Malleshwaram, Bengaluru 560003.

About Maharani Lakshmi Ammanni College for Women (Autonomous): Maharani Lakshmi Ammanni College for Women (Autonomous) (hereinafter referred as mLAC), located in Bengaluru Urban area, was established on 1st August 1972 by late Dr. K N V Sastri. The College is affiliated to Bangalore City University, Bengaluru and recognized by the University Grants Commission (UGC) under section 2 (f) on 1st February 1989 & 12(B) on 23rd August 1994 under Act, 1956. It was re-accredited by National Assessment and Accreditation Council (NAAC) with "A" Grade – (CGPA Score 3.25 on a 4 Point Scale in 3rd Cycle) on 15th September, 2016. The college is recognized & conferred the status as "College with Potential for Excellence (CPE)" by the University Grants Commission, New Delhi on 18th March 2010 in CPE Phase I and also on 7th February 2014 in CPE Phase II respectively.

The aim of the college is to provide a 'Vibrant Academic Environment and is characterised by Cultural and Social Diversity.' Providing quality education for character formation is the vision of the institution, with a focus on core values of excellence, integrity, responsiveness, teamwork, and inclusivity.

The college is located strategically in the vicinity of national institutes of repute such as Indian Institute of Science, Institute of Wood Science & Technology, National Institute of Advanced Studies, Raman Research Institute and Central Power Research Institute.


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It has received many recognitions and awards such as Star Status by DBT, Govt. of India, secured all India 4th Rank among BIF Centres (colleges) in India by DBT, Govt. of India for publications of papers in journals of high repute in the year 2013, received grants from DBT, DST-FIST, UGC, BSR, ICSSR.

Article 1 Statement of Objectives

The objective of the MoU is to provide an opportunity for cooperation between CEE South and mLAC

- a) Using education as a key driver for change demonstrating and advancing sustainable practices in rural and urban communities, in business and public sector, and in meeting the challenges of global issues, such as climate change and biodiversity conservation.
- b) Promoting collective positive handprint actions that are environmentally sound, economically viable and socially beneficial.
- c) Conduct Green Audit and provide recommendations and aid in driving sustainability in the campus.

Article 2 General Terms of the MoU

- (a) **Duration:** This MOU shall be operational from 1st September, 2021 to 31st August, 2024 any amendment to this MoU can be done only through written consent of both the Parties.
- (b) **Coordination:** In order to carry out and fulfill the aims of this agreement, each party will appoint an appropriate person(s) to represent its organization and to coordinate the implementation of activities.
- (c) **Financial Support:** Activities under this MoU are subject to the availability of funding. Each programme is subject to its own fees and expenses. The same may be reviewed for each of the programme before implementation and as agreed by both Parties.
- (d) **Confidentiality:** Each party agrees that it shall not, at any time, after executing the activities of this MoU, disclose any information in relation to these activities or the affairs of business or method of carrying on the business of the other without consent of both parties.
- (e) **Termination of MoU:** The partnership covered by this MOU shall terminate upon completion of the agreed upon period. The agreement may also be terminated with a written three months' notice from either side, and on settlement of the dues, if any. In


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the event of non-compliance or breach by one of the parties of the obligations binding upon it, the other party may terminate the agreement with immediate effect.

- (f) **Extension of Agreement:** The MoU may be extended provided the parties agree upon, and can provide the necessary resources.
- (g) **Communications:** All notice, demands and other communication under this agreement in connection herewith shall be written in English language and shall be sent to the last known address or email of the concerned party. Any notice shall be effective from the date on which it reaches the other party.

Article 3

Areas of Collaboration/Joint Activities

The Parties agree that the following statement of activities may be undertaken under this MoU,

1. Nature Education Programmes in the form of expert lectures, both offline or online, based on the pandemic situation and convenience for the students.
2. Offer internship opportunities for the students to provide opportunities in a creative and competitive environment, focusing on Sustainable Development (SD).
3. Conduct various competitions (Offline & Online), which improves environmental awareness.
4. Conduct the Green Teacher Diploma and any other relevant courses/workshops for the faculty and/or the students.
5. Provide guidance to manage the activities and projects undertaken as a part of the eco-club.
6. Conduct field visits (half day to one day) and/or nature camps (two days to fourteen days) at various locations across the state/country/world, to educate on concepts of nature and sustainability.
7. Involve the students of mLAC in various programmes by CEE in the field of Environment Education at the state/national/international level.
8. Collectively draw a plan of actions towards achieving the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)
9. Collaborate on innovative concepts and practices to make mLAC an eco-friendly campus.
10. The Intellectual Property Rights in the material developed as part of the activities shall jointly be owned by both CEE South and mLAC.

Activities would be defined and implemented in accordance with mutually agreed plans and targets



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Article 4
Disputes and Settlement Mechanism

Any disputes between the Parties arising out of the interpretation or implementation of this MoU shall be settled amicably through mutual consultation and/or negotiation at the location of either Parties.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the undersigned, duly appointed representatives of the Centre for Environment Education (South) and of, Maharani Lakshmi Ammanni College for Women respectively, have on behalf of the Parties signed the present Memorandum of Understanding in English, in two originals, at mLAC, Bengaluru, this 1st day of September 2021.

For the Centre for Environment Education
(South):



Ms. Rejini S
Regional Coordinator
CEE South

Date: 01/09/2021
Place: Bengaluru

For Maharani Lakshmi Ammanni College for
Women (Autonomous):



Dr. Shashikala A
Principal
Maharani Lakshmi Ammanni College for
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