

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING [MoU]

BETWEEN



TATA INSTITUTE OF SOCIAL SCIENCES, MUMBAI

AND



**Dr. B.R. AMBEDKAR UNIVERSITY OF SOCIAL SCIENCES (BRAUSS), Dr.
Ambedkar Nagar (MHOW)**

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

The Tata Institute of Social Sciences (TISS) was established in 1936 as the Sir Dorabji Tata Graduate School of Social Work. In 1944, it was renamed as the Tata Institute of Social Sciences. The year 1964 was an important landmark in the history of the Institute, when it was declared Deemed to be a University under Section 3 of the University Grants Commission Act (UGC), 1956. Since its inception, the Vision of the TISS has been to be an institution of excellence in higher education that continually responds to changing social realities through the development and application of knowledge, towards creating a peoplecentered, ecologically sustainable and just society that promotes and protects dignity, equality, social justice and human rights for all.

Dr. B.R. AMBEDKAR UNIVERSITY OF SOCIAL SCIENCES (BRAUSS), Dr. Ambedkar Nagar (MHOW) established in 2015 by the Government of Madhya Pradesh under Dr. B.R. AMBEDKAR UNIVERSITY OF SOCIAL SCIENCES ACT 2015 with its campus at Dr. Ambedkar Nagar (Mhow) District Indore, Madhya Pradesh. BRAUSS is the first university of social sciences in the country. The university is a unique model of integration of social sciences perspectives and approaches with scientific and technological advancement for socio-economic development and educational excellence of scheduled castes, scheduled tribes and other backward classes. The University also aims at accelerating socio-economic development and educational excellence among marginalized sections for their upliftment and empowerment; and confluence of new technologies and latest modules of social sciences with ideology of DR. B.R. Ambedkar for alleviation and eradication of social evils, social disparities & injustice and establishment of egalitarian society.

BRAUSS thus has a mandate for social emancipation, economic empowerment, educational excellence through increasing participation of scheduled castes, scheduled tribes and other backward classes in decision making and nation building as well as establishing an egalitarian society.



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Whereas, **BRAUSS and TISS** desire to establish academic collaboration to promote the institutional collaborations through this Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with a view of sharing a common interest to explore, extend and strengthen the functional relationship including Academics, Research, Extension and Training in social sciences.

SCOPE OF AGREEMENT

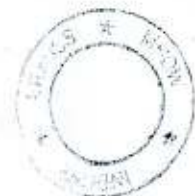
This Memorandum of Understanding is signed between the Tata Institute of Social Sciences (TISS), Mumbai as First Party and Dr. B.R. AMBEDKAR UNIVERSITY OF SOCIAL SCIENCES (BRAUSS) as Second Party for the purpose of Academic Collaboration that will encompass exchange of students and members of faculty between the two parties as well as other academic activities, research and publication. In addition to this, active efforts will be made to develop joint training and research programmes that will be pursued in a collaborative spirit. Some of the collaborative areas include the following:

I. TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF COOPERATION:

1. TISS and BRAUSS shall collaborate in mutually agreeable academic events, teaching, training and research, wherever feasible. Such collaboration will be based on mutually agreeable terms and conditions specifically agreed for each of the collaborative efforts;
2. TISS and BRAUSS shall offer full time regular as well as optional courses to the undergraduate and post-graduate degree courses offered at these institutions from time to time on mutually agreeable terms and conditions;
3. Faculty members from each of these universities shall be invited for important seminars, conferences and for teaching at under graduate, post graduate and doctoral level. The financial implications shall be worked out on a case to case basis;



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4. Those modalities for a similar exchange of researchers and faculty members will be laid down through mutual discussion that should be made operational for a period of five years;
5. Ph.D. Scholars of both the universities are welcome to access the library resources of each other and to have academic interaction with the faculty;
6. Research Scholars and Teaching Faculty of both TISS and BRAUSS will explore possibility of taking up collaborative research work and also apply for funding from national and international agencies, governments and other funding agencies; and
7. Any financial implication emerging out of such collaborations (other than the fees of the students etc.) shall be worked out and decisions will be taken with mutual agreement.

II. AREAS OF COOPERATION:

This Memorandum expresses a mutual desire by TISS and BRAUSS cooperates in building intellectual and research capacity and scholarship. Additional areas of co-operation may be added by written consent of the two parties. Both the parties will act in good faith to ensure that the objectives in this Memorandum are realized.

III. TERMS OF AGREEMENT

Progress in realizing the terms and conditions referred to herein will be reviewed periodically as mutually agreed and the memorandum may be amended at any time by mutual consent and in writing. The implementation and/or continuance of programmes or projects established pursuant to this MoU, prior to the effective date of termination shall not be affected by the termination of this MoU.

1. This memorandum shall come into force immediately upon its signature by the parties;



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2. The validity of this Memorandum of Understanding is initially for a period of five years from the date of its execution and the same can be further extended on mutual agreement;
3. This Memorandum of Understanding can be terminated by either of the parties by giving advance notice of three months and without jeopardizing the coursework or registration of any of the students of either institution; and
4. School of Law, Rights and Constitutional Governance from the side of Tata Institute of Social Sciences, Mumbai and the designated Office/Centre decided by the Vice Chancellor from the side of BRAUSS shall be the nodal agency for implementation of this MoU.

IV. INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY AND CONFIDENTIALITY

1. In respect of each project and programme of co-operation, the parties shall negotiate and mutually agree in writing on their respective rights to intellectual property and commercial exploitation of the same (including without limitation, trademarks and service marks, copyrights, patents, designs and confidential information pertaining thereto); and
2. Neither party shall, at any time disclose to any third party any confidential information of the other party which is acquired in the course of activities under this Memorandum, a collaborative project or a programme, without the prior consent of the other party in writing.

The confidentiality obligations herein will not apply to information in the public domain; information in the possession of the receiving party prior to the disclosure of the information; information which is independently developed by the receiving party; information required to be released by law; and information which is rightfully received by the receiving party from third parties without any breach of confidentiality obligations.




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V. NON BINDING NATURE OF MEMORANDUM

Nothing in this Memorandum shall be construed as creating any contract, partnership, agency or other legal relationship between the parties. This Memorandum is only a non-binding statement of intent to foster genuine and mutually beneficial collaboration.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this Memorandum of Understanding is executed by the parties hereto on the date of signing of the Memorandum of Understanding by the two parties.



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