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MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MoU)

This Memorandum of Understanding ("MoU") is entered on 10th February 2016 by and between:

- 1. Pushpagiri Medical Society, Registration No. (P. 73/92) registered in 1992 under the Travancore Cochin Literary, Scientific & Charitable Societies Registration Act 1955, Tiruvalla 689101, Pathanamthitta District, Kerala, (hereinafter called "Pushpagiri" and
- 2. MACFAST [Mar Athanasios College for Advanced Studies, Tiruvalla] Kerala-689101, with its address at Tiruvalla-689101, (hereinafter referred to as "MACFAST").

Pushpagiri and **MACFAST** are collectively referred to as "**Parties**" and each individually, as an "**Party**", as the context may so require.

Pushpagiri and **MACFAST** aim to promote education and research co-operation between the Parties and hereby agree as follows:

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1. Objectives

MACFAST and Pushpagiri shall undertake and co-operate with each other with regard to the following objectives:

- To provide authorized employees and Research Scholars of MACFAST an opportunity to utilize the facilities of Pushpagiri for their research programmes
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- To provide internship opportunities at Pushpagiri to the M.Sc.students of MACFAST based on the needs of Pushpagiri and student profiles at MACFAST. Students of MACFAST will have the option of interning at Pushpagiri as "Summer Interns" for a period of one (1) week. In this regard, Pushpagiri undertakes to allow a minimum of three (3) Summer Interns per year (from the effective date of this MoU) to pursue their internship at Pushpagiri. For the internship of one week fee has been fixed as Rs.2000/-per student
- To provide to the doctoral students of MACFAST the benefit of interacting with and seeking co-guidance from the PhD Scientists of Pushpagiri as has been practiced during the last 4 years. No fee should be charged from doctoral students
- Faculty exchange between both the institutions for student lectures and other educational and training activities
- > To provide 3 month student project options for MSc students from MACFAST at Pushpagiri Research Center
- MACFAST shall utilize internship opportunities for the MBA students and encourage them to undertake project opportunities at the Pushpagiri group of Institutions. A joint MBA program in Health care management can be pursued by both the institutes.
- ➤ The Computer sciences department at MACFAST can help strengthen hospital information processing systems at Pushpagiri group of institutions.
- MSc Food sciences students and faculty at MACFAST shall be provided opportunities for interacting and strengthening the dietary department at Pushpagiri Hospital.
- > Any other joint programs and training opportunities shall be pursued and collaborations strengthened between both the institutions.

2. Sharing of facilities

- Access to the laboratory, library and other supporting facilities at MACFAST for Pushpagiri Candidates shall be provided by MACFAST as per the rules and regulations of MACFAST.
- Summer Interns and project trainees at Pushpagiri shall be provided with access to laboratories at Pushpagiri as per the rules and regulations of Pushpagiri.

3. Areas of co-operation

The areas of cooperation shall be defined and modified from time to time by the cooperation committee setup for the purpose ("Co-ordination Committee"). The members of the Coordination Committee shall be identified jointly by the Parties as provided for in Section 5 of this MoU.

4. Co-ordination Committee

The following members shall constitute the Co-ordination Committee to monitor and review the collaborative program between the Parties

- a) Dr. Anand Manoharan, Head of Research & Development, Pushpagiri, Kerala
- b) Rev. Dr. Mathew Mazhavancheril, Director, Academics & Research, Pushpagiri
- c) Rev.Fr.Pradeep Vazhatharamalayil, Principal, MACFAST, Tiruvalla
- d) Dr.S.Seeni, Director of Research, School of Biosciences, MACFAST
- e) Prof.Beena Cherian, Dean, School of Biosciences, MACFAST
- f) Mr.Biju Dharmapalan, HoD, School of Biosciences, MACFAST

The Co-ordination Committee shall:

- Review the progress of the identified programs (at least once a year);
- Consider the addition/deletion of areas of co-operation between the Parties during review;
- Consider the continuance of the MoU.

5. Intellectual Property and Publications

- All rights to any intellectual property created by Pushpagiri employees arising from the work of the Summer Interns from MACFAST summarized in the objectives of this MoU shall belong to Pushpagiri.
- MACFAST hereby assigns to Pushpagiri, with full title guarantee, all rights in and to any intellectual property created or arising from objectives of this MoU for the full duration of such rights, wherever in the world enforceable, and shall procure such an assignment from any party who shall be engaged with the creation of such intellectual property. MACFAST further agrees to procure that they shall execute all further documents and assignments and do all such further things as may be necessary to perfect Pushpagiri's title to such intellectual property or to register Pushpagiri as owner of such rights.
- However the work carried by out the Research Scholars registered at MACFAST when gets published or grated patent should be in the name of MACFAST. The scientist of Pushpagiri who has provided assistance could be cited as co-author.
- The provisions of this Section 6 shall survive the termination or expiry of this MoU.

6. Non Disclosures

In the case of joint research and consultancy projects taken up by Pushpagiri and MACFAST neither Party shall disclose any investigation or Results to any third party in any form without the prior written consent of the other Party.

7. Validity period

- This MoU shall be valid for a period of five (5) years from the date of signing.
- At the end of validity period of this MoU, a fresh MoU may be entered into between the parties on mutually agreed terms.

While the Parties wish by this MoU to make clear their support of, and enthusiasm for the objectives stated herein, this MoU is not intended to create any legally binding relationship between the Parties.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have signed this MoU on date, month and year first written above.

For Pushpagiri Medical Society

Authorized Signatory

Name: Rev. Dr. Mathew Mazhavancheril

Title: Director-Academics and Research REV. DR.MATHEW MAZHAVANCHERIL DIRECTOR

Academics & Research Pushpagiri Group of Institutions Tiruvalla - 689 101, Kerala

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Authorized Signatory

Name: Rev. Fr. PradeepVazhatharamalayil

Title: Principal

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