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MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MOU)

THIS MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MOU) is made on 17 day of Avaut, 2021 at Gandhinagar, Gujarat.

BETWEEN

Gujarat Knowledge Society (GKS) having its registered office at Commissionerate of Technical Education, Block No.2, 3rd Floor, Karmayogi Bhavan, Sector -10A, Gandhinagar-382010, here after referred to as "GKS" as First Party,

AND

Sumandeep Vidyapeeth Deemed to be University, located at At & Post Piparia, Ta. Waghodia, Gujarat, INDIA herein after referred to as "SVDU" as Second Party,

Whereas,

- GKS is a recognised nodal agency for implementation of the Student Startup and Innovation Policy (SSIP) of Government of Gujarat.
- ii) SVDU is a recognized Deemed to be University under de novo category, established under section 3 of University Grants Commission Act 1956, which is engaged in imparting Academic Knowledge, Healthcare Services, Community Services and, Research and Innovation in various healthcare disciplines.

The Government of Gujarat under SSIP aims to create an integrated, state-wide, university-based innovation ecosystem to support innovations and ideas of young students and provide a conducive environment for optimum harnessing of their creative pursuit through GKS. For effective implementation of SSIP and to achieve it's objectives (as listed below) GKS agrees for conditional disbursement of grant to SVDU; wherein SVDU agrees to do following:

1. Objectives of SSIP:

- a. Developing student centric Innovation and Preincubation Ecosystem for Students
- b. Creating environment for creativity to flourish and an end-to-end support system in educational institutions to allow ample support to ideas for better execution.
- c. Build internal capacity of educational institutions and key components of the innovation ecosystem to enable deployed processes to make sustainable impact at scale.

d. Create pathways for mind to market by harnessing and handholding projects/rese arch/innovation/ideas of students in Gujarat.

e. Creating and facilitating sectoral and regional innovation efforts in state around educational institutions

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- f. Create a common platform to showcase, support and upscale innovations for motivating stakeholders as well as for an opportunity to create value for money and value for many.
- g. Leverage public system initiatives at state and central level, academia, industries and by other ecosystem stakeholders/domain experts and institutions to make an inclusive effort.

2. SVDU agrees to pursue following interventions:

- a. The university shall set up a basic facility in form of a student innovation and entrepreneurship council, employ human resources to look after the council, assign a senior competent authority for coordination of such a facility at university level to develop action agendas for short and long term and share the same with the state.
- b. Create action plan and strategies to support startups, and processes to help them. Undertake a holistic approach and create systems to support ecosystem, process, start ups with inclusion of sectors and spaces.
- c. Student startup manuals like tool kit development which will be handy for support teams and institutes/universities to comply to basic necessary requirements which will be handy to give them best possible handholding across startup value chain.
- d. Create suitable open innovation models to create more student innovators and startups, recognise and reward them. Institutionalise innovation and student startup awards.
- e. Creating a funnel to support ideas at prototype stage by creating pre-seed funds / grants.
- f. Ensure bare minimum exposure for students on how to solve problems, innovate and start up in college.
- g. Through various research grants and other ways, students will face the much needed challenges. These challenges will be based on local and global issues. The university is also to encourage students to build products, services, solutions and convert those to enterprise for value creation.
- h. Developing a suitable and flexible protocol for student innovators to leverage existing infrastructures, mentors, testing facility, operational space etc. across universities of Gujarat after regular class hours. Also create networking opportunities for students among different internal and external stakeholders.
- i. The university will categorise and prioritise interventions which may range from low-cost intervention, medium-cost intervention and others.
- j. Create processes and mechanisms so that the scope of accessing facilities and benefits can reach student innovators and idea-stage startups, with equal ease on merit basis. Innovate to reduce transaction time and cost to facilitate support and access to various infrastructures to startups while leveraging existing facilities in Government and/or private domain.

k. Create IPR centre.

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3. Terms and Conditions of the grant/funding:

- a. SVDU would be provided a total financial support in the form of Grant-in-aid of Rs.15 Lakhs (Fifteen Lakhs) for one year, which would be exclusively spent on the specified purpose for which it has been sanctioned within the stipulated time.
- b. The grant-in-aid would be spent as per the approved action plan included in the MoU and mutually agreed to in consultation between GKS and SVDU.
- c. SVDU shall maintain a separate interest-bearing bank account for the funds to be disbursed by GKS. The interest earned on the grant money, would be reported to GKS and the same will be treated as a credit to SVDU to be adjusted towards further instalments of the grant.
- d. The amount sanctioned during the first instalment will depend on the proposed and agreed expenditure as per the budget plan submitted by SVDU.
- e. The Comptroller & Auditor General of India (CAG) at its discretion shall have the right to access the books of account for the grant received from the Government under SSIP.
- f. SVDU will be required to submit CA certified Utilisation Certificates (UCs) of the grant at the end of each financial year as well as at the time of seeking further instalments of the grant, if any.
- g. Any unspent balance amount sanctioned under SSIP would be either adjusted towards the grants-in-aid payable during the next instalment or refunded to the Govt. of Gujarat by means of an Account's Payee Demand Draft drawn in favour of "Gujarat Knowledge Society" payable at Gandhinagar.
- h. Grant to the institute/University to be utilized under the scope of SSIP policy mandate.
- i. SVDU agrees to introduce at least one course with project-based component in every semester in its curriculum starting from first semester itself.
- j. SVDU agrees to introduce one course on entrepreneurship and design thinking and problem identification in the beginning of the course programme.
- k. SVDU agrees to implement all the pedagogical and academic interventions as may be suggested from time to time by the State Level Committee for SSIP, Gujarat.
- 1. SVDU agrees to revise its curriculum not more than every three years.
- m.SVDU agrees to comply with guidelines issued by SSIP-GKS, Govt. of Gujarat from time to time for utilization of SSIP Grant.
- n. SVDU agrees to make expenditure, for SSIP related activities, initially from institute resources on reimbursement basis. The same shall be reimbursed through SSIP grant after verification, if found in conformity with grant utilization guidelines issued by SSIP Cell, GKS from time to time

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4. Obligations of SVDU:

a. SVDU agrees to accomplish proposed milestones as per it's application for SSIP grant; that are listed below:

Proposed Action plan and Milestones:

Sr	Milestone	Year-1
1	Total Number of Students to be Outreached and Sensitized	4000
2	Total Number of Innovative Student Projects to be Supported	
3	Total Number Innovations to be Supported at PoC Stage	50
4	Total Number of Patents to be Filed	20
	Total Number of Student Start-ups to be Supported through interventions like:	
5	5.1 Incubation space & facilities	50
อ	5.2 Seed Funding	50
	5.3 Prototyping grant	20
	5.4 Faculty/ alumni/Expert/mentoring	20
6	Total Number of Workshops/ Conferences/ Seminars/Capacity Building Programs in SSIP Agenda (attach detail)	3

b. SVDU agrees to implement key initiatives that are proposed along with the application for SSIP grant; that are listed below:

Planned Pedagogical/ Academic changes to be implemented:

Sr.No.	Initiatives		
1	Pedagogical Changes	Sumandeep Vidyapeeth will bring pedagogical Interventions like permeating design thinking into the entire syllabi and Innovation and Entrepreneurship programmes in practice mode. University will facilitate start-up process by seamlessly integrating the incubation value chain into the academic programs to have early exposure of incubation value chain to potential student start-ups.	
2	Academic Interventions	Final year students of all the constitutent institutes of Sumnandeep Vidyapeeth will be required to take a real life challenge and solve as a part of academic curricula through their academic project. The students, who have completed the best of the Projects and who want to convert their projects to products/services and who want to set up startups, will be supported by the SV incubation centre. The incubation centre will extend training and basic facility to incubatees or innovators in all respects.	
edge so	Infrastructural Facilities	Sumandeep Vidyapeeth has developed infrastructure for basic pre incubation and innovation facility along with necessary soft infrastructure and digital tools at University level. Around 2000 square feet of innovation space at University level can be provided for supporting to student in promoting innovation and entrepreneurship.	

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4	Promotional & Sensitization Activities	Institution innovation council frames a structured outreach and awareness strategy to reach out to every possible stakeholder, primarily students and faculty members. The agendas of SSIP are propagated through institute circular, web portal, mailers, newsletters, and social media to sensitize the activities and provisions of SSIP.
5	Capacity Building	All constituent institutes have an SSIP coordinator who will be responsible for executing university mandates. The SSIP coordinator of each institute creates an annual action plan of capacity building of own institute with support from respective University and other stakeholders from local innovation and start-up ecosystem. Institution Innovation council and Start-up cell will organize meet-ups and training programs for all stakeholders in every 6 months. Each institute should take maximum benefit from all such avenues. Such systematic activities of IIC and SSIP cell will strengthen and boost the capacity building of stakeholders.

SVDU agrees to adhere to budgetary provisions of the policy and the budget plan that was submitted along with the application:

Budget Plan Submitted with the application:

(In Rupees)

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Component	Year - 1
University Contribution	1500000
SSIP Grant	1500000
Other Sources	0
Total	3000000
	University Contribution SSIP Grant Other Sources

		(In Rupees
Sr	Intervention	Year - 1
1	Developing University innovation and startup council/ecosystem/ Cell	100000
2	Developing pre-incubation process	125000
3	Co-working space/Pre-incubation facility/ Common Innovation Centre	150000
4	Activity/Workshop/Conference/Capacity Building/Awareness program	40000
5	Awards/Recognition/Exposure	40000
6	Technology Platforms/ICT portals	40000
7	Virtual Incubation/Mentoring and allied support	75000
8	Proof of Concept (PoC) and Prototyping support	1500000
9	Patent Filing support	750000
10	Tinkering Lab/Fab Lab/Basic prototyping facility	100000
11	Pedagogical Interventions/Courses/New Programs on Innovation and Entrepreneurship	10000
12	Special Initiatives to promote student startups and innovations	50000
13	Documentation/Publication/Dissemination	10000
14	Any other/Administrative expenses	10000
0	Total	3000000



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- c. SVDU agrees to evolve a transparent system for selection of innovative ideas/projects to be supported.
- d. SVDU agrees to enter into an appropriate agreement with the inventor within framework of policy and guidelines given from time to time by GKS-SSIP, Government of Gujarat.
- e. SVDU agrees to invest sufficient additional amounts in promoting startups and innovation eco system in the university.
- f. SVDU would provide the physical infrastructure/ civil work necessary for implementation of the above.
- g. SVDU agrees that no civil work / construction and similar activities will be carried out from the funds provided by GKS under SSIP.

5. Monitoring:

- a. SVDU agrees to allow quarterly review based on a comparison of the proposed budget plan versus the actual physical and financial performance. The review shall also include performance audit and as well as financial audit.
- b. SVDU understands that the release of grants after the first instalment and each subsequent instalment will be based on satisfactory implementation of SSIP objectives and performance to achieve the same.
- c. SVDU understands that the concerned Government Officers or its authorized representatives may visit SVDU periodically for ascertaining the progress of work and resolving any difficulties that might be encountered in the course of implementation of SSIP objectives.
- d. SVDU agrees to represent itself through it's authorised representative/s whenever it is called for periodic review at GKS Office.
- e. SVDU undertakes to participate in the programs and events of SSIP.

6. Termination of Support and Penalty:

- a. GKS, Government of Gujarat, reserves the right to terminate support to SVDU at any stage under SSIP, if it is convinced that the grant is not being utilized properly or that appropriate progress to achieve objectives of SSIP is not being made. The entire amount will be treated as a sunk investment and the assets acquired through the grant will be written-off by GKS.
- b. SVDU agrees to repay/refund grant received under SSIP with interest from the date of disbursement if GKS, Government of Gujarat is convinced that the grant is not being utilized for the purpose mandated by SSIP, Government of Gujarat. GKS, Government of Gujarat, reserves the right to recover any such amount from any other such government grant that is issued by the government for any purpose.
- c. In case of SFI/GIA, GKS can recover any such amount through the revenue recovery process of the government.

7. Grievance redressal Mechanism

Grievance redressal will be addressed by SSIP Project Proposal Evaluation

Committee.

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8. General Conditions

- a. The MOU will be valid from the date of signing and it will be reviewed every year.
- b. SVDU agrees to accommodate any changes that are made in the plan of action from time to time for the implementation of SSIP, Government of Gujarat.
- c. It is mandatory to acknowledge the SSIP support in all appropriate fora, in media (both electronics and print), website, annual reports, publicity material, etc. in a visible manner.
- d. The MOU can be modified or revised from time to time with mutual consent of the parties.
- e. The MOU has to be supported with the following documents:
 - i. Copy of Act through which the university is established.
 - ii. Legal authority letter in the name of person who is signing MoU on behalf of SVDU.
- f. SVDU undertakes to follow the direction of the government / executive body of SSIP, issued under SSIP in future with respect to implementation of this policy and action plan.

Each of the undersigned signatories represent and warrant that he/ she is authorized to execute this arrangement on behalf of the party for whom he/ she signs and that no further authority or execution by any other person for such party is necessary.

To be signed by Representative of GKS and Representative of SVDU

GKS	SVDU
Name: Prof Trishar J. Rural	Name: DR. CHANDRAMANI.B. MORE
Designation: Acidl CEO-GKS	Designation: REGISTRAR
Date: 17/08/2021.	Date: 17/08/2021
Sign & Seal:	Registrar Sumandeep Vidyapeeth Deemed to be University At Post - Piparia, Taluka - Waghodia, District - Vadod Gujarat State, INDIA, Pin code - 391760

Witness:

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