



MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

Between

UNIVERSITY OF LUCKNOW, INDIA

and

LUMBINI TECHNOLOGICAL UNIVERSITY, NEPAL

This Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) is made and entered into on this **10th** day of **July, 2026**, by and between:

University of Lucknow (hereinafter referred to as “UoL”), established under the laws of India, with its principal office at Badshah Bagh, Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh, India.

and

Lumbini Technological University (hereinafter referred to as “LTU”), established under the laws of Nepal, with its principal office at Nepalgunj Sub-Metropolitan City-10, Banke, Lumbini Province, Nepal;

UoL and LTU shall hereinafter be referred to individually as a “Party” and collectively as the “Parties.”

WHEREAS, both institutions recognize the transformative power of higher education, interdisciplinary research, and international cooperation in advancing academia, research, and societal progress, and share a mutual interest in promoting academic exchange, technical education, research collaboration, and institutional capacity building;

NOW, THEREFORE, the Parties hereby agree to establish and develop a strategic collaborative relationship on the terms and conditions set forth below:

1. Purpose and Scope

This MoU shall serve as a general framework for institutional cooperation between UoL and LTU. The Parties agree to promote educational, academic, research, and cultural cooperation based on their respective institutional needs and mutual interests.

The broad objectives of this MoU are to facilitate:

- **Academic Exchange Programs:** facilitating student and faculty exchange to provide exposure to diverse academic and cultural environments.
- **Joint Research Initiatives:** collaborating on research projects and fostering interdisciplinary studies in areas of mutual interest.
- **Short- and Long-Term Faculty Exchange:** collaborating on faculty exchange for teaching and research purposes.
- **Sharing of Educational Resources:** promoting the exchange of course materials, research publications, and academic databases.
- **Technical and Vocational Capacity Building:** supporting laboratory development, skills training, and faculty strengthening, particularly in engineering, technology, and applied sciences.



- Cultural Exchange: promoting cultural exchange activities to enhance mutual understanding and respect among students and faculty.
- Other mutually agreed educational, research, or technical programs.

Before implementing any such activity, the Parties will discuss the relevant opportunities and challenges and will thereafter enter into specific written agreements based on mutually agreed objectives and outcomes.

2. Areas of Cooperation

The Parties agree to explore collaboration in, without limitation, the following areas:

- a) Academic collaboration, including joint research initiatives, publications, and academic conferences;
- b) Faculty exchange, joint teaching, and training programs;
- c) Student exchange and mobility programs, including internships and placement support;
- d) Curriculum development and joint or dual academic programs;
- e) Technical and Vocational Education and Training (TVET), including engineering and information technology;
- f) Joint seminars, workshops, conferences, and colloquiums;
- g) Joint research and innovation activities, including pursuit of external funding and collaborative publications;
- h) Sharing of academic materials, best practices, and institutional expertise; and
- i) Industry linkages and other mutually agreed academic or research programs.

Specific activities under any of the above areas shall be implemented through separate, mutually agreed written agreements or Program Specific Agreements, as described in Section 4 below.

3. Period of Agreement

This Agreement shall come into effect upon its final execution date and shall remain valid for a period of five (5) years. The Agreement may be extended beyond the initial five (5) years through mutual written consent. Either Party retains the right to terminate this Agreement by delivering written notice to the other Party.

4. Planning and Management of Activities

Activities undertaken pursuant to this Agreement are expected to be initiated primarily by the academic units of each institution, in coordination with their respective administrative units responsible for international affairs. All activities must conform to the policies and procedures in force at each institution.

Each distinct collaboration program or activity shall be described in a separate Program Specific Agreement drawn up jointly and signed by the authorized signatories of each Party. Such agreements shall identify the individuals on each campus responsible for implementation and shall set forth all terms and conditions associated with the activity.

Both Parties acknowledge that each Program Specific Agreement may involve varying factors such as personnel, activity types, intellectual property, and other deliverables that either



institution may need to provide. Accordingly, each institution retains the prerogative to conduct its own risk assessments relating to legal, tax, and other potential liabilities arising from each Program Specific Agreement and shall have discretion to structure its contributions in a manner that minimizes expense and optimizes liability management. Each institution further retains the right to assign or subcontract any or all of its responsibilities under this MoU or any Program Specific Agreement to its respective subsidiaries or affiliates.

5. Responsibilities of the Parties

5.1 Joint Responsibilities

- Promote cooperation between the Parties in good faith;
- Jointly identify priority programs, projects, and areas of mutual benefit;
- Facilitate effective communication and coordination between institutional units; and
- Support the timely implementation of mutually agreed activities.

5.2 Responsibilities of LTU

- Provide institutional coordination within Nepal for all activities under this MoU;
- Facilitate necessary regulatory and administrative processes;
- Provide reasonable logistical support to visiting UoL delegates, faculty, and students.

5.3 Responsibilities of UoL

- Provide institutional coordination within India for all activities under this MoU;
- Share academic expertise, research resources, and best practices in support of joint activities;
- Facilitate faculty and student exchange, including internships and short-term academic visits; and
- Provide reasonable logistical support to visiting LTU delegates, faculty, and students.

6. Admissions

All students participating in exchange or mobility programs under this MoU must successfully submit, in a timely manner, all required elements of the applicable international student application process at the host institution.

7. Institutional Coordinators

Each Party shall designate a representative from its respective International. The Director of the International Cell for UoL and the Executive Director of the Center for Research, External Relations and Knowledge Dissemination for LTU will be responsible for establishing regulation channels to monitor the progress of collaborative efforts and staff/student exchange arrangements between the two institutions.

8. Financial Arrangements

This MoU does not, in itself, create any financial obligation for either Party. Any financial commitments arising from specific programs or activities shall be determined through separate written agreements.



9. Intellectual Property and Publication Rights

Intellectual property arising from joint activities under this MoU shall be governed by mutually agreed arrangements in accordance with the applicable laws of Nepal and India, and shall, unless otherwise agreed in writing, be co-owned by the Parties. Both Parties shall share authorship and duly acknowledge each other's contributions in any resulting research publications.

10. Confidentiality

Both Parties agree to maintain the confidentiality of any non-public information shared under this MoU unless disclosure is mutually approved in writing.

11. Non-Discrimination

Lumbini Technological University and University of Lucknow agree that no person shall, on the grounds of race, religion, colour, sex, age, national origin or ancestry, gender identity or expression, disability, marital status, parental status, sexual orientation, or status as a veteran, be excluded from participation in any activity conducted under this Agreement.

12. Anti-Corruption and Ethical Conduct

The Parties mutually represent and warrant to each other that they, along with their owners, employees, representatives, officers, directors, contractors, or other agents, shall refrain from taking any action in connection with this Agreement or any Program Specific Agreement that would constitute an offer, promise, or provision whether direct or indirect of any funds, gifts, loans, services, or other thing of value to: (i) any government official, agent, employee, or family member thereof; (ii) any political party or candidate for political office; or (iii) any other person, while knowing that all or a portion of such money or thing of value will be offered, given, or promised, directly or indirectly, to any of the foregoing, for the purpose of obtaining or retaining business or funding, directing business or funding to any person or entity, or securing any other improper advantage.

13. Dispute Resolution

Any dispute arising from the interpretation or implementation of this MoU shall, in the first instance, be resolved amicably through consultation and mutual dialogue between the Parties. Should the dispute remain unresolved, either Party may elect to terminate this Agreement in accordance with Section 15, or the Parties may, by mutual written agreement, refer the matter to arbitration.

14. Amendment

The terms of this Agreement may be changed or modified only by a written amendment signed by the duly authorized representatives of both Parties.

15. Termination

Either Party may terminate this MoU at its sole discretion, for any reason, by providing not less than three (3) months prior written notice to the other Party. In the event of termination, any activities already in progress under a Program Specific Agreement shall, wherever practicable, be completed in good faith, and the Parties shall otherwise have no further obligations to one another under this Agreement.



16. Governing Language

This document shall be executed in two languages where required. The English version of this Memorandum of Understanding shall serve as the authoritative representation of the understanding between the Parties. Any other version is provided solely as a translation, and in the event of any conflict between versions, the English version shall take precedence.

17. Legal Status

This MoU reflects the good-faith intentions of the Parties to collaborate and does not, by itself, constitute a legally binding obligation upon either Party, except where expressly provided in a subsequent Program Specific Agreement signed by both Parties. This MoU is subject to the prevailing rules, regulations, and policies governing Lumbini Technological University and the University of Lucknow.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the authorized representatives of both institutions have executed this Memorandum of Understanding as of the Effective Date first written above.

Signed on behalf of:

UNIVERSITY OF LUCKNOW,
INDIA

Name: Prof. J.P. Saini

Title: Vice-Chancellor

Date: 10/07/2026



Name: Prof. Sateendra Pal Singh

Title: Dean, Faculty of Engineering and Technology

Date: 10/07/2026

Name: Prof. R. P. Singh

Title: Director, International Cell

Date: 10/07/2026

Signed on behalf of:

LUMBINI TECHNOLOGICAL
UNIVERSITY, NEPAL

Name: Prof. Dr. Binod Basnet

Title: Vice-Chancellor

Date: 10/07/2026



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