MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MOU)

Between

K.R. MANGALAM UNIVERSITY

Sohna Road, Gurugram (Haryana)-122103

and

PILOO MODY COLLEGE OF ARCHITECTURE

ABIT Group of Institutions, Sector 1, CDA, Cuttack - 753014, Odisha

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

The Memorandum of Understanding is executed on the 31st day of January 2023.

BETWEEN

K.R. Mangalam University, Sohna Road, Gurgaon - 122103 (Delhi NCR Region), a University established under the Haryana Private Universities Act 2006 (Amended 08 of 2013) and under section 2(f) of UGC Act, 1956 wherein empowered to award degrees, as specified under section 22 of the UGC Act, 1956, through its Registrar, presently Gp. Capt. P. Mahajan duly authorized to enter into and sign an MOU on behalf of K.R. Mangalam University, PARTY OF THE FIRST PART.

AND

Piloo Mody College of Architecture (PMCA), Cuttack, approved by the Council of Architecture (COA), New Delhi and is affiliated to the Biju Pattnaik University of Technology (BPUT), Rourkela, governed by the ABIT Trust signing MOU through its Principal, duly authorized in this regard to sign an MOU on behalf of the College, PARTY OF THE SECOND PART.

The expression KRMU and Piloo Mody College of Architecture (PMCA), shall, mean and include the Institutions, their successors, appointees, assignees etc.

KRMU and Piloo Mody College of Architecture (PMCA), are individually referred to as "Party" and jointly as "Parties".

INTRODUCTION:

K. R. Mangalam University, Haryana, India

K.R. Mangalam University is a fast-growing higher education institute in Gurugram, India. Since its inception in 2013, the University has been transforming young lives through ground-breaking pedagogy, global collaborations, and world-class infrastructure.

School of Architecture and Design at K R Mangalam University offers highly advance and practical programs for budding Architects, Interior Designers and Fashion Designers.

The students graduate with a strong foundation of multi-disciplinary skills related to aesthetics, environment-friendly and sustainable design, construction techniques, and space transformations.

The programs aim at providing a specialized understanding of the creative industry with a contemporary approach. Our course structure focuses on unveiling the talents and enabling students to pursue enormous career options offered in the wide spectrum of design. Our University offers five-year Bachelors program in Architecture. (B. Arch) approved by the Council of Architecture. The school imparts technical skills, aesthetical understanding, and planning the building models in compliance with planning and building laws.
The three-year B.Sc. Hons. (Interior Design) and four-year Bachelor of Interior Design (B.I.D) undergraduate programs focus on understanding the industry's trend and experimenting with materials, finishes and design.

SOAD takes a lot of pride in bringing some of the best practicing architects and renowned academicians as external jury members and visiting faculty so students receive inputs from them to improve their designs. Recent collaborations of SOAD include COA-TRC, University of Ferrara, Italy, Anhembi Morumbi University, Brazil and Piloo Mody College of Architecture, Cuttack.

AND

Piloo Mody College of Architecture, Cuttack, India

Piloo Mody College of Architecture (PMCA), is a leading school of Architecture in Odisha, and has been on the forefront of Architecture education in Eastern India since its inception in the year 1993.It was established by Late Ar K.B. Mohapatra, a visionary and an educationist from Cuttack. The college is named after the late parliamentarian Ar. Piloo Mody, who was instrumental in the enactment of The Architects' Act of 1972. The college offers a Five-year Bachelor of Architecture (B. Arch) program, as well as a Three-year Executive Master's program in Habitat Design. The B.Arch program at PMCA, focuses on the development of sensitive, thought leaders and conscientious professionals. The main focus of the program is to equip students with sufficient updated information and efficient skills required to face the challenges in the future. PMCA gives plenty of opportunities to students to bring about a change in the conventional learning process through various workshops on traditional and contemporary architectural topics. Regular innovative workshops are conducted to expose students to the art of space making and to sensitize them to issues of the built environment. Guest lectures are hosted by the Institute on a regular basis so that the students are exposed to new developments in the field through regular Industry sponsored interactions which makes them Industry ready.

The Master's program at PMCA is focused on the holistic comprehension of the global urbanization trends and development of the contemporary design practices for smart and sustainable habitats.

M. Arch at PMCA aims at building professionals empowered to design habitats within the complexities of the dynamic urban scenario.
The knowledge sharing process encompasses research, innovation and upgradation of the technological skills of the working professionals. The program enables career enrichment of the professional architects' leading to varied advanced career opportunities in the government/ corporate sector .

PMCA's recent academic collaborations are with global and national platforms such as Centre for Science and Environment, N. Delhi, INTACH Conservation Institute, Bhubaneswar, SEEDS, N. Delhi, ARCAUSE, Ethos and KRMU with an intent to provide students and faculty with ample research, consultancy and teamwork opportunities.

PREAMBLE

The purpose of this Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) is to develop an academic and educational cooperation, and mutual understanding between Piloo Mody College of Architecture (hereinafter referred to as PMCA), Cuttack, represented by its duly authorized signatory, the Principal and K R Mangalam University ((hereinafter referred to as KRMU), Haryana, represented by its duly authorized signatory, the Registrar. Both PMCA and KRMU may be referred to individually as the "party" or collectively as the "parties".

The primary objective of the institutional collaboration in education and research is to promote interaction and academic partnerships between faculty, staff and students of the two institutions through visits and studio exchange programmes, carry out joint academic and research programmes, joint conferences organised at international and national level, sharing of academic resources through expert talks, juries, reviews, workshops etc, on a reciprocal basis. The relationship also aims at enhancing the technological, social and cultural relations of both the regions. This document presents a general framework for the collaboration. It also includes some specifically identified areas of cooperation, which may be updated from time to time.

The following areas of cooperation have been identified under this MoU.

(i) JOINT STUDIOS

Students of both institutes shall be encouraged to visit and participate in the short duration courses (summer/winter terms), certificate courses with prior approval from both parties and the governing university. Approvals and application procedures are to be decided together by both parties to include detailed proposals (mentioning the course content, duration, certification, accommodation by the host and other applicable directives) and sanction copies approved by the highest academic bodies of the two institutions before implementation.

(ii) **JOINT RESEARCH PROJECTS**:

The two parties shall explore opportunities and propose the undertaking of joint research projects. The joint research shall be headed by faculty/faculty teams from both parties and they may seek to apply for suitable research funding from external funding agencies. Each such research proposal shall contain the objective, aim, scope, limitations and primary research question justified by a hypothesis. Furthermore, any additional documents required for the grant has to be worked out by both parties with prior approval and cooperation of the respective institutions.

(iii) **JOINT ACADEMIC ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS**:

PMCA and KRMU may formulate joint academic activities and resource sharing through expert led seminars, symposiums, workshops, studio juries and/or conferences based on mutual interests and available expertise in both the institutions. They may also agree to carry out virtual learning to encourage technology-based exchange of resources.

The areas of cooperation may be revised by mutual consent. However, specific programmes may require separate agreements detailed out and documented as annexures to this MoU.

COORDINATION

The provisions of this MoU will be implemented through a team of co-ordinators appointed by the authorized signatory from both parties.

NON-DISCRIMINATION

PMCA and KRMU agree not to discriminate any person because of age, sex, national origin, race, ancestry, color, religious creed, disability or handicap, and sexual orientation. Neither

institution shall impose criteria for the exchange of faculty, staff and students that would violate the principles of non-discrimination.

CODE OF CONDUCT

Visiting student and faculty will abide by the codes of conduct of the host Institution. The parties should ensure that the faculty and students are made aware of the rules, regulations and other administrative procedures prior to the application and approval.

INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

The applicable intellectual laws will be adhered to by both the parties. The two parties will jointly own the results or data generated during any collaborative projects. In case of need of commercialization of any data/ findings a separate agreement shall be worked out on a case to case basis.

Non-disclosure agreements may be encouraged between the parties to clearly state the necessary and reasonable care to be taken to protect data or information.

DOCUMENTATION

The programmes, events , workshops etc., conducted under the aforementioned areas of collaboration have to be documented as a report to include: detailed proposals, financial requirements, posters (to be displayed on campus and the respective websites), video recordings of online and offline sessions, geo-tagged photo documentation and a detailed feedback from the participants. The report should be jointly prepared and shared with both parties.

FINANCING

Under this MoU, it is understood and agreed that there is no financial obligation between the parties. However, both institutes may consider tuition fee waivers to the visiting students. The host institute may extend support in terms of logistics and administrative arrangements. The

local costs including travel, accommodation, food, insurance etc. to visiting students and faculty may be maintained at reasonable costs and be borne by the visitors or the home institution. Additional support, if any, will be governed by separate agreements that may be drawn up for specific activities.

LEGAL STATUS

This document is a statement of intent to foster genuine and mutually beneficial cooperation and is not legally binding on any of the parties. Any disputes shall be resolved through mutual discussion.

VALIDITY AND TERMINATION

This MoU is valid for an initial period of **Three** years and becomes effective from the date it is signed by the partners. The partnership period may be extended by mutual consent.

This agreement may be terminated:

a. on either party giving the other party 6 months' prior written notice;
b. on written notice by one of the Parties if the other Party has committed a breach of this MoU.

However, specific commitments made prior to such intimation shall be honoured by both the partners including ensuring that any student at that time participating in the Programme is able to complete the term of the assignment and be assessed for it.

Mahajan

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Date: 31st, January 2023

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