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## MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

BETWEEN

TAMIL NADU AGRICULTURAL UNIVERSITY  
 COIMBATORE- 641 003

AND

SAKTHI FOUNDATION, RACE COURSE ROAD, COIMBATORE – 641 003

This Memorandum of Understanding is entered into on this the 11<sup>th</sup> day of March, Two thousand and Sixteen between the TAMIL NADU AGRICULTURAL UNIVERSITY, COIMBATORE – 3 represented by its Registrar (hereinafter referred to as TNAU) as the First Part and SAKTHI FOUNDATION, 180, RACE COURSE ROAD, COIMBATORE – 641 018 represented by its Chairman (hereinafter referred to the Trust) as the Second Part.

*Registrar*  
 REGISTRAR  
 Tamil Nadu Agricultural University  
 Coimbatore - 641 003.

For SAKTHI FOUNDATION  
*Nanika*  
 Trustee.



Whereas the Government of Tamil Nadu in G.O. Ms. No.164 Agriculture (AU) Department dated 31.07.2015 have issued orders permitting the **TRUST** to establish an Institute in the name of "**Kumaraguru Institute of Agriculture**" at Nachimuthupuram, Sathy-Athani-Bhavani Main Road, Sakthi Nagar – 638 315, Erode District for offering B.Sc. (Agri.) Degree Programme in Agriculture duly obtaining affiliation of the TNAU from the academic year **2015-16**.

Whereas the TNAU has accorded provisional affiliation to the Trust for offering B.Sc. (Agri.) Degree programme in Agriculture for the academic year 2015-2016 in the Proceedings **No.E1/SF-KIA/17468/2015** dated **06.08.2015** of the Registrar, TNAU, subject to the conditions prescribed therein.

Whereas the Trust requested the TNAU to permit them to start B.Sc. (Agri.) degree programme in Agriculture at the "**Kumaraguru Institute of Agriculture**" at Nachimuthupuram, Sathy-Athani-Bhavani Main Road, Sakthi Nagar – 638 315, Erode District from the academic year 2015-16. In the 124<sup>th</sup> Academic Council meeting held on 26.07.2014, the Academic Council suggested that, after getting No Objection Certificate from the Government and fulfillment of the deficiencies by the Trusts, the students admission shall be made. After that, as per the recommendation of the Board of Management at its 169<sup>th</sup> meeting held on 26.07.2014, the TNAU has recommended the proposal to the Government for granting "No Objection Certificate" subject to the conditions that the Standing Committee of the University will monitor and guide the "**Kumaraguru Institute of Agriculture**" at Nachimuthupuram, Sathy-Athani-Bhavani Main Road, Sakthi Nagar – 638 315, Erode District periodically to fulfill all the stipulated requirements in the implementation of B.Sc. (Agri.) degree programme in Agriculture during 2015-2016 and permanent affiliation will be considered on fulfillment of the requirement already stipulated.

Now these presents witnesseth the party of the First Part (the **TNAU**) and the party of the Second Part (**Trust**) thereto, hereby agree as follows:

1. In pursuance of the provision in Sec. 5 (i) of the TNAU Act, "**Kumaraguru Institute of Agriculture**" at Nachimuthupuram, Sathy-Athani-Bhavani Main Road, Sakthi Nagar – 638 315, Erode District has been temporarily affiliated to the TNAU, Coimbatore for offering the B.Sc. (Agri.) degree programme in Agriculture (4 year programme) to

  
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the first batch of students admitted during the academic year 2015-2016 with the sanctioned admission strength of 60 (Sixty only) for this batch.

2. The Trust should fulfill all the conditions stipulated in the Government Order (G.O. Ms.No.164 Agriculture (AU) Department, dated 31.07.2015) before 31<sup>st</sup> March 2016.
3. The Trust agreed to fulfill all the infrastructural facilities like Class Rooms, Laboratories, Instructional Farm, Library, Livestock, Transport, Playing Ground, etc. Administrative Office, Hostel, Qualified Staff for Teaching and allied works and administration and recreation facilities to the students as prescribed by the TNAU in the "GUIDELINES OF NORMS FOR AFFILIATION OF INSTITUTE TO TNAU FOR OFFERING B.Sc.(Agri.) Degree programme in Agriculture" having the students strength of 60 (Sixty only), as approved by the Board of Management of the TNAU. The "Hand Book of Guidelines for Establishing Agricultural College" as approved by the Academic Council and the Board of Management of TNAU at its 174<sup>th</sup> meeting held on 17.08.2015 has also been sent to the above Trust vide Lr. No. E.1/Guidelines/New Agricultural College/2015 dated 19.11.2015 of the Registrar, TNAU., Coimbatore and informed to go through the guidelines, regulations and requirements carefully and ensure that all the requirements specified in the booklet containing the guidelines are met with and that if any of the conditions and requirements are yet to be fulfilled, efforts should be taken to fulfill the same, the TRUST agrees to fulfill the conditions stipulated in the G.O.(Ms) No.164 Agriculture (AU) Department, dated 31.07.2015 and the TNAU Standing Committee's recommendations before 31<sup>st</sup> March 2016 failing which the affiliation will be withdrawn from the next academic year.
4. The infrastructural facilities like administrative and other buildings with sufficient accommodation to meet the immediate academic and other space requirements as specified by University concerned for each of the higher education course/programme with adequate scope for future expansion in conformity with those prescribed by the UGC / Statutory /

  
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Regulatory body concerned and agreed to be created by the Trust, taking care that all buildings constructed in the college are differently abled friendly – i.e. provided with ramps according to specifications and with hand rails etc., so that their vehicles could have easy access.

5. The Trust shall not deviate or reduce or modify the infrastructural facilities prescribed in the norms referred to separately, without written concurrence from the TNAU and undertakes to maintain the prescribed infrastructure and other facilities without any deviation.
6. The Trust undertakes to provide all adequate civic essential facilities like water, electricity, ventilation, toilets, sewage disposal system etc. at all times in conformity with the norms laid down by the Central/State Government.
7. The Trust undertakes to create and maintain a library with at least 1000 (one thousand) books, or 100 (one hundred) books in different titles on each subject, whichever is more, of the proposed programmes to include both text books and reference books, besides two National journals per subject, along with a book bank facility for students belonging to the Scheduled Castes / Scheduled Tribes and such other sections as may be specified by the UGC from time to time will be established.
8. The Trust agrees to create and modify the infrastructural facilities as per the recommendations of the Standing Committee and Standing Subcommittee to meet the development in the education of Agriculture, Horticulture and Allied Sciences and increase in students strength, so as to educate the students of the B.Sc.(Agri.) degree programme in Agriculture in the developed sphere of Agriculture, Horticulture and Allied Sciences, as and when directed by the TNAU and within the time limit prescribed for the same.
9. The Trust shall function under the overall supervision of the TNAU in respect of all academic, administrative, financial and general matters.

  
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10. The Trust agrees to get prior approval of the TNAU for increase of prescribed admission strength of students in B.Sc. (Agri.) degree programme in Agriculture or introduction of new courses for which necessary proposal should be sent to TNAU one year in advance and in such case the TNAU shall arrange for the inspection of the infrastructure facilities available and suggest for additional infrastructure required for increase of strength in B.Sc. (Agri.) degree programme in Agriculture or introduction of new course. If the TNAU satisfies with the existence of infrastructure for additional strength, the proposal shall be considered subject to the conditions to be prescribed. The decision of the TNAU is final in this regard.
11. The Registrar of TNAU being the Principal Academic Officer of the TNAU, shall have jurisdiction over the functioning of the Agricultural College in respect of the academic matters and has got full powers to critically review the academic requirements to fall in line with the high academic standard of all other constituent Colleges of the TNAU.
12. The Trust agrees to maintain all the academic records and send reports thereon as prescribed and directed by TNAU.
13. The Trust agrees to carry out the administration, finance management and other allied activities of the institute in accordance with the rules framed by the Institute, the TNAU and the Government of Tamil Nadu from time to time.
14. The Trust agrees to fill up the post of Dean of Agricultural College by TNAU with an officer of the TNAU. The Trust agrees to provide all the facilities to the Dean as extended to his / her counterpart in the constituent colleges of the TNAU. The Pay and allowances of Dean shall be paid by the Tamil Nadu Agricultural University from the funds transferred by the Trust Authorities in advance of every academic year before the admission of students to the concerned colleges.
15. The Trust agrees to the effect that TNAU shall exercise complete control over the academic activities of the institute in respect of prescribing the Curricula and Syllabi, the pattern of instruction, the pattern of evaluation,

  
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declaration of results and review of the academic record, academic performance and award of degree on par with other institutions affiliated to the TNAU and as prescribed by the TNAU.

16. The Trust agrees to maintain all the academic records and send reports thereon to the TNAU as prescribed and as and when required by the TNAU. The Trust also agrees for the inspection of the academic records by the TNAU and the TNAU has got the full powers to enquire any issue and inspect any record covering academic matters at any time with or without prior notice.
17. The Trust agrees to remit affiliation fee for granting affiliation to each Degree and additional affiliation fee for increasing the strength of students in each programme, as may be prescribed by the TNAU from time to time and in such a manner as may be prescribed, for offering affiliation to the said Institute and other expenditure to be incurred, if any, to conduct the course.
18. At present, the affiliation fee is Rs. 20.00 lakhs (Rupees Twenty lakhs only) for each Degree Course with the sanctioned strength of 60 (Sixty only) for the degree programme per academic year. The Trust has agreed and remitted the total amount of Rs. 21.50 lakhs towards the Affiliation fee of Rs. 20.00 lakhs (Rupees Twenty lakhs only) (Non refundable), Application fee of Rs. 1.00 lakh (Rupees One lakh only) (Non refundable) and Registration fee of Rs. 50,000/- (Rupees Fifty thousand only) (Non refundable) vide Demand Draft No.002148 dated 30.11.2015 drawn at Axis Bank, Appakundal.
19. The Trust agrees to pay 65% examination fees collected from each student per semester to the TNAU to meet the administrative charges related to conducting examination, evaluation and declaration of the result. The TNAU reserves the right to increase this rate from time to time based on the increase of administrative charges.
20. The Trust agrees to admit the students as per the educational Qualifications and other policies prescribed by the TNAU and

  
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Government of Tamil Nadu as well as from time to time and also agrees for filling up of seats as per the Norms for the Professional Educational Institutions by the Government as published in the Tamil Nadu Government Gazette Extra-ordinary No. 218 dated 31.08.2006.

21. The Trust agrees to collect the Tuition Fees and other fees at the rates prescribed by the Government of Tamil Nadu for the private Self – Financing Engineering Colleges.
22. The TNAU reserves the right to depute scientific personnel from the TNAU, once in a year for inspection of the progress of courses and all records related to academic programmes maintained by the institute and the Trust agrees to produce all connected records before the inspecting officials and to render all necessary assistance for the inspection.
23. The basic qualification of Teaching staff should be with B.Sc (Agri.) from a State Agricultural University, Post Graduate and Doctoral programme in the concerned discipline of Agriculture and allied faculty like Veterinary Sciences, Forestry and Horticulture. However, for the basic sciences viz. English, Tamil, Maths, Botany, Computer Science and Statistics etc., the Post Graduate and Doctoral programme in the concerned discipline are essential as per the guidelines / norms prescribed by the TNAU for the affiliation of Institutions for conducting Degree programme and the age of teaching staff should not exceed 65 years. The Trust has to ensure the quality of Teaching with adequate staff strength.
24. The Trust agrees to regularly pay the members of the teaching in the pay scales along with applicable allowances as per the pay scales prescribed by the UGC.
25. The TNAU Standing Committee shall inspect facilities available and if any improvements to be made, suitable instruction may be issued to the Trust.
26. The Trust agrees to pay the following fees as inspection fees in the form of Demand Draft drawn in favour of the Comptroller, Tamil Nadu Agricultural University, Coimbatore.

  
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Sl. No.	Standing Committee Inspection Fee	Amount of Fee
1	Fee for first and second visit of the Standing Committee (to be paid to the University)	<b>Rs.1,00,000/-</b> (Rupees One lakh only)
2	Fee for each additional visit for the Re-Inspection by Standing Committee	<b>Rs.1,00,000/-</b> (Rupees One lakh only)

27. The TNAU shall withdraw temporary affiliation and reserves the right to disaffiliate the institute from the subsequent academic year for sufficient and reasonable cause with the approval of its Academic Council and Board of Management after issuing three months advance notice in writing.
28. If the University decides to withdraw the temporary affiliation of the college, or the affiliation stands terminated by the order of the University, temporarily or permanently, the University reserves the right to safeguard the educational future of the affected students on roll in an appropriate manner as per its decision.
29. The TNAU and the Government of Tamil Nadu shall not have any responsibility or guarantee for the employment of the graduates / post graduates of the Institute.
30. The **MoU is valid for four years only** starting from the academic year 2015-16 and it should be renewed thereafter on satisfactory completion of agreement period failing which the affiliation granted will be terminated.
31. The Trust is at liberty to engage 30% of the retired scientists for a minimum period of 5 years with an upper age limit of 65 years of age provided they shall maintain good academic records and good physique as evidenced by appropriate Medical Certificate. The retired scientists should be in possession of basic background education of B.Sc. (Agri.) and possess or holds a Doctoral Degree from a State Agricultural University.

  
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32. The Trust agrees and undertake to always maintain a minimum of 110 acres of lands for B.Sc. (Agri.) degree programme for the existence of the Agricultural College, without any deviation.

*Undisputed ownership and possession of land by the Trust / Society as specified below is essential*

S. No.	Type of land	For Degree programmes (in acres)
<b>i) Cultivable land</b>		
1.	Wet land	10
2.	Dry land	20
3.	Garden land	15
4.	Orchard	25
5.	Botanical Garden	20
6.	Herbal garden	5
7.	Woodlot* (Agro-forestry)	5
<b>ii) Building: College building, play ground and farm office</b>		10
<b>Total</b>		<b>110</b>

\* Woodlot refers to forest (including Agro-forest) / tree plantation

**ONLINE Admission Procedure** to be followed by Self Financing Colleges affiliated to TNAU.

1. The details of TNAU admission process is posted in the TNAU web site : [www.tnau.ac.in](http://www.tnau.ac.in) which will be updated from time to time as deem necessary. The terms and conditions including the minimum educational qualification for admission as prescribed in TNAU website has to be scrupulously followed without any deviation. If any deviation found, it is liable for disaffiliation of Self Financing Colleges affiliated to TNAU.
2. The candidates who are not applying through TNAU online admission should not be entertained under management quota by the Self Financing Colleges affiliated to TNAU. If admitted it will be considered as violation of MoU and attracts disaffiliation from TNAU.
3. All the admission processes (both for Single Window System and Management quota) are through ONLINE only. No paper documents (application form) would be sent to candidates.

  
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4. The candidates seeking admissions for both Single Window System and Management quota of constituent and affiliated colleges of TNAU should apply through online only.
5. Other State candidates :-  
The other State candidates also while applying for management quota in Self Financing Colleges affiliated to TNAU should apply through online only.
6. The Self Financing Colleges affiliated to TNAU should create facilities for use by the applicants for both online application and online fee payment also.
7. The Self Financing Colleges affiliated to TNAU should adhere to the admission schedule circulated by TNAU each year.
8. No student should be allowed to attend classes without online course registration and ID No. allotted by TNAU. (Self Financing Colleges affiliated to TNAU).
9. Self Financing Colleges affiliated to TNAU should produce a letter signed by both the parents and candidate that he/she has not paid capitation fee and also has not paid any excess fee and should attach a copy of receipt of fees paid as proof.

#### ARBITRATION

*The TNAU and the Trust do agree to constitute a Committee consisting of the Vice Chancellor, TNAU, Coimbatore and SAKTHI FOUNDATION, 180, RACE COURSE ROAD, COIMBATORE – 641 018 to solve any dispute that would arise on the matters of importance regarding the academic issues, and administrative matters that attract academic problems and also issues arising out on the implementation of this MoU, on mutual discussion. **In any dispute, the decision of the Vice Chancellor, Tamil Nadu Agricultural University is final and binding on both the parties.***

  
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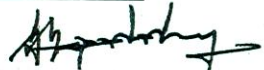
**It is also agreed upon that, if any of the above conditions is violated / contravened in any manner by the Trust, the TNAU reserves the right to institute appropriate action for disaffiliation of the college from TNAU.**


IN WITNESS WHEREOF the parties hereto have signed this Memorandum of Understanding at Coimbatore.

  
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Witnesses:

  
 1. G. GOPALASWAMY,  
 JOINT REGISTRAR,  
 TNAU, COIMBATORE-3)

2.   
 (C.N. CHANDRASEKHAR  
 DEPUTY REGISTRAR (EDN.)  
 TNAU, COIMBATORE-3)

Witnesses:

1. T. RAJKUMAR,  
  
 S/O. T.A. KRISHNASAMY,  
 705, D. AVINASHI ROAD,  
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2.   
 G. MUNIASAMY  
 Executive Officer,  
 Kumarpur College of Tech.,  
 Coimbatore.