

RAMAKRISHNA MISSION BRAHMANANDA COLLEGE OF EDUCATION



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Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) for Academic Collaboration

Between

Ramakrishna Mission Brahmananda College of Education
P.O. Rahara, Kolkata - 700118, West Bengal

&

Ramakrishna Mission Sikshanamandira
P.O. Belur Math, Howrah - 711202, West Bengal

This MoU is made and entered into force this 1st day of May, 2022 between

Ramakrishna Mission Brahmananda College of Education having its main office at P.O. Rahara, Kolkata 700118, West Bengal, India (hereinafter called *Brahmananda College of Education* which expression shall include its successor-in-interest and assignee) of the ONE PART.

And

Ramakrishna Mission Sikshanamandira Autonomous Govt-aided Post Graduate College of Teacher Education having its main office at P.O. Belur Math, Howrah 711202, West Bengal, India (which expression shall include its successor and permitted assignees) of the OTHER PART

1. BACKGROUND

1.1. Whereas Ramakrishna Mission Brahmananda College of Education, a Govt.-Aided (WB), NCTE Recognized, NAAC Accredited, Residential Teacher Education Institute under The West Bengal University of Teachers' Training, Education Planning and Administration (WBUTTEPA). The College is included under the recognition of section 12(B) & 2(f) of the UGC Act, 1956 and the College is run by the guidelines of Ramakrishna Math & Ramakrishna Mission, Belur Math. The College was established on the 17th February, 1961, after the holy name of Swami Brahmananda, the first President of Ramakrishna Math & Ramakrishna Mission. The College is situated at Rahara in the district of North 24 Paraganas,

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1.2. Whereas Ramakrishna Mission Sikshanamandira, a NCTE recognized, Govt.-aided (WB) autonomous post graduate College of Teacher Education (CTE) under the aegis of Ramakrishna Math and Ramakrishna Mission, is affiliated to University of Calcutta. Established by Swami Vimuktanandaji Maharaj in 1958 to actualize Swami Vivekananda's vision for a vibrant society brought about by teachers from all fields with pure and upright character, the college was conferred autonomy by the UGC and the University of Calcutta in 2008. In 2016, the UGC awarded the college with the status "College with Potential for Excellence". Amidst several cross-currents of Higher Education, the college is trying its best to cater the quality education among the budding teachers. Presently the college offers 2 year B.Ed. and 2 year M.Ed. courses and 2 Post Graduate Diploma courses. The College also conducts research programmes through its Research Centre named *Swami Vivekananda Centre for Multidisciplinary Research in Educational Studies (SVCMMRES)* under the University of Calcutta. The college has earned a spreading reputation over its journey for more than 60 years as the generations of the students have and are at present also working in different fields of education in the country with extraordinary excellence.

2. PURPOSE & SCOPE

The purpose of this MoU is to bring two great educational institutions together that are actively engaged in promoting 'Human Excellence' and 'Social Welfare' and a healthy spirit of collaboration and competition through professional training, value-based education, instructional innovations, outreach & extension programmes. The overriding objective of this MoU is to transform these two great institutions into a Resource-Cluster.

3. OBJECTIVES OF MoU

The Objectives of this 'Memorandum of Understanding' are as follows:

1. Faculty Exchange Programme.
2. Student Exchange Programme.
3. Joint organisation of International / National / State Level – Seminar / Workshop / Conference / Web Talk / Interdisciplinary Lectures / Symposia via Online / Offline Platforms as may suit the occasions.
4. Collaborative organisation of Cultural Programmes / Commemorations etc.
5. Joint organization of Sports and Games activities to inculcate a spirit of cooperation among all.
6. Development of transactional Modules on Values, Peace, Environment and other incoming issues.
7. Documentation and promotion of Best Practices in Education.
8. Mobilisation of resources including Library, for Research by both the Institutions.

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4. RESPONSIBILITIES OF BRAHMANANDA COLLEGE OF EDUCATION

1. Hosting exchange programmes for faculty and students of Ramakrishna Mission Sikshanamandira.
2. Organising programmes for effective interactions among faculty members and students of both the institutions.
3. Arranging periodical meetings of authorized representatives from both the institutions to assess / evaluate / modify / nullify the activities on the basis of feedback received.

5. RESPONSIBILITIES OF RAMAKRISHNA MISSION SIKSHANAMANDIRA

1. Hosting exchange programmes for faculty and students of Ramakrishna Mission Brahmananda College of Education.
2. Organising programmes for effective interactions among faculty members and students of both the institutions.
3. Arranging periodical meetings of authorised representatives from both the institutions to assess / evaluate / modify / nullify the activities on the basis of feedback received.

6. FINANCIAL ARRANGEMENTS

There is no financial obligation under this MoU.

7. FORCE MAJEURE

Neither Ramakrishna Mission Sikshanamandira nor Brahmananda College of Education shall be held responsible for non-fulfilment of their respective obligations, under this agreement: due to the exigency of one or more of the force majeure events such as but not limited to acts of God, War, Flood, Earthquakes, Strikes, Lockouts Epidemics, Riots, Civil Commotions etc. provided; on the occurrence and cessation of any such event Ramakrishna Mission Sikshanamandira or Brahmananda College of Education affected thereby, shall give a notice in writing to the Brahmananda College of Education or Ramakrishna Mission Sikshanamandira as the case may be, within one month of such occurrence or cessation. If the force majeure continues beyond six months, the parties shall jointly decide about the future course of action.

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8. TERMINATION OF AGREEMENT

This agreement may be terminated by either of the parties forthwith if either Ramakrishna Mission Sikshanamandira or Brahmananda College of Education commits breach of any of the terms hereof and shall have failed to rectify such breach within thirty days of the notice in this behalf having been served on it by the other party i.e. either Ramakrishna Mission Sikshanamandira or Brahmananda College of Education in correspondence, as the case may be.

In addition to the reasons for termination as set forth above, this agreement may be terminated forthwith if either of Brahmananda College of Education or Ramakrishna Mission Sikshanamandira voluntarily or involuntarily enters into official dilution, bankruptcy or similar recognizable proceedings or applications invoking such proceedings; have been filed.

9. DURATION

This Memorandum of understanding shall remain valid for a period of 5 years only from the date of signing the MoU. After this 5 years' time period, this MoU may be terminated or may be renewed after judging the then situation.

10. SETTLEMENT

Upon termination of the agreement:

All rights granted to and the obligations by Brahmananda College of Education and Ramakrishna Mission Sikshanamandira hereto, shall cease to exist forthwith; except the obligation of Ramakrishna Mission Sikshanamandira or Brahmananda College of Education to keep Collaborative activity in confidence, as per clause 5 above; accrued on or prior to the date of such termination, make written reports and keep records, files and books and the right of Brahmananda College of Education or Ramakrishna Mission Sikshanamandira to inspect the same.



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11. NOTICES

All notices and other communications required to be served on Ramakrishna Mission Sikshanamandira, under the terms of the agreement, shall be considered to be duly served; if the same shall have been delivered to, left with or posted by registered mail shall to Ramakrishna Mission Sikshanamandira at its last known address of business. Similarly, any notice to be given to the Brahmananda College of Education, shall be considered to be duly served if the same shall have been delivered to, left with or posted by registered mail shall to the Brahmananda College of Education at its last known address of business.

12. AMENDMENTS TO THE AGREEMENT

No amendment or modification of this MoU shall be valid unless the same is made in writing by both Ramakrishna Mission Sikshanamandira and Brahmananda College of Education or their authorised representatives and specifically stating the same; to be an amendment of this MoU. The modifications/changes shall be effective, from the date on which they are made/executed; unless otherwise agreed to. In general, the MoU will be amended on yearly basis, IF AT ALL REQUIRED, on mutually agreed terms.

13. ASSIGNMENT OF THE AGREEMENT

The rights and/or liabilities to Ramakrishna Mission Sikshanamandira and/or Brahmananda College of Education to this MoU shall not be assigned except with the written consent of both Ramakrishna Mission Sikshanamandira and Brahmananda College of Education, subject to such terms and conditions: as may be mutually agreed upon, by both the institutions.

14. ARBITRATION

Except as hereinafter provided, all disputes arising out of or in connection with this MoU shall be referred to the sole arbitration of a person nominated by the Department of Higher Education, Govt. of West Bengal and designated as the Arbitrator. The arbitrator's verdict shall be final and binding on both Ramakrishna Mission Sikshanamandira and Brahmananda College of Education, from time to time, with the consent of both Ramakrishna Mission Sikshanamandira and Brahmananda College of Education, the Arbitrator may enlarge the scope and time for making and publishing the verdict awarded.

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15. SEAL OF PARTIES

This Agreement has been executed in two originals, one of these has been retained by Ramakrishna Mission Sikshanamandira and the other has been retained by Brahmananda College of Education.

In witness whereof the parties hereto have signed this agreement the day, month and year mentioned hereinbefore.

For and on behalf of -

Ramakrishna Mission Brahmananda College of Education

For and on behalf of -

Ramakrishna Mission Sikshanamandira

Signature: *Swami Nirishananda*
Name: Swami Nirishananda
01.05.2022

Signature: *Swami Vidyamritananda*
Name: Swami Vidyamritananda
1/5/22

Designation: Principal (Actg.)

Designation: Principal (Offg.)

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Witness (Name and address)

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1... *Malayendu Dinda*
01.05.2022

1... *Avin Ghosh* 01.05.2022

2... *Sandip Mandal* 01.05.2022.

2... *Nadan Mohan Mandal*
1/5/22

Date: 01.05.2022

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