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Belur Math, Howrah - 711 202, West Bengal

# Memorandum of Understanding (MOU)

For creation of awareness and direct initiatives in relation with green energy, eco-friendly initiatives and environment in the district of Howrah and thereby involving students of Sikshanamandira to Institutional Social Responsibilities (ISR).

Between

Howrah Jela Joutho Paribesh Mancha, Beraberia, Bagnan, Howrah

AND

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

- 1.1 This MOU is made and entered into force this **5 December 2018 (World Soil Day 2018)** between Howrah Jela Joutho Paribesh Mancha, having its Mother Office at Beraberia, Bagnan, Howrah of the ONE PART AND
- 1.2 Ramakrishna Mission Sikshanamandira a Residential Autonomous UG / PG College having its office P.O. Belur Math, Howrah 711202, West Bengal, India (which expression shall include its successor and permitted assignees) of THE OTHER PART.

#### 2. PREAMBLE

- 2.1 Whereas Howrah Jela Joutho Paribesh Mancha, a leading organisation with the mission of environmental conservation and spreading environmental awareness, is looking forward to a successful NGO/organisation institute liaison towards closer partnership for enabling the students of Ramakrishna Mission Sikshanamandira to take part in collaboration with the said NGO/organisation in the extension/outreach activities for the purpose laid above.
- 2.2 Whereas Ramakrishna Mission Sikshanamandira is desirous of collaborating with Howrah Jela Joutho Paribesh Mancha as per the scope of work detailed in **Section 4** of this Agreement.

Now therefore in consideration of the premises and mutual covenants hereinafter contained, the parties hereto agree as follows:

#### 3. BACKGROUND

Ramakrishna Mission Sikshanamandira, a NCTE recognized Govt-aided (W.B) 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 actuate 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



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best to cater the quality education among the budding teachers. Presently the college offers 2 year B.Ed. and 2 year M.Ed. degree courses and 2 Post Graduate Diploma courses. The College also offers research programmes under Swami Vivekananda Centre for Multidisciplinary Research in Educational Studies 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.

Ramakrishna Mission Sikshanamandira, being an institution inspired by the service ideal of Swami Vivekananda intends to instil among its students the spirit of service, approached Howrah Jela Joutho Paribesh Mancha for a possible signing up of an official MOU.

#### 4. OBJECTIVES

- 1. To set up cooperative and collaborative activities as mentioned above between Ramakrishna Mission Sikshanamandira and Howrah Jela Joutho Paribesh Mancha.
- 2. To observe various National/ International days of environmental importance such as World Water Day, Earth day, World River Day, World Environment Day, World Biodiversity Day, World Soil day, Van mahotsav etc.
- 4. To enter into the organisation of joint events and activities related to sustainable environmental development such as plantation drive, sapling distribution, river bank protection drive, etc.
- 5. To jointly organise Seminars, workshops, awareness programmes, etc on various important environment related issues.

### 5. SCOPE OF MOU

This agreement details the terms & conditions of modalities of collaboration and responsibilities and obligations of Ramakrishna Mission Sikshanamandira and Howrah Jela Joutho Paribesh Mancha pertaining to provide hands-on experience to the students in environmental awareness drives and taking various eco-friendly initiatives for the cause of environmental conservation.

# 6. RESPONSIBILITIES OF HOWRAH JELA JOUTHO PARIBESH MANCHA

- 6.1 After due correspondence and permission from and/or between the concerned bodies, the authority of Howrah Jela Joutho Paribesh Mancha may agree to hold joint activities on environmental awareness and conservation such as plantation drive, environmental awareness camps, organisation of seminars, symposiums and/or workshops involving the aspiring students of Ramakrishna Mission Sikshanamandira as mentioned above. The modalities of such activities such as financial expenses, outreach, span and scope shall be decided a-priori before such activities, by both of the partner organisations through mutual understanding.
- 6.2 For the purpose of joint tree plantation drives, Howrah Jela Joutho Paribesh Mancha shall survey and select a place and approach Ramakrishna Mission Sikshanamandira to collect saplings for



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plantation. Together the plantation drive will be conducted. Post plantation nourishment has to be ensured by Howrah Jela Joutho Paribesh Mancha.

6.3 Special focus and emphasis shall be given to the National/ International days demarcated for environmental causes such as World Soil Day, World Earth Day, World River Day, Earth Day, etc. These days shall be observed with joint organisation of duly themed environmental activities and initiatives and also with seminars, workshops and/or symposiums on the pertinent subject.

# 7. RESPONSIBILITY OF RAMAKRISHNA MISSION SIKSHANAMANDIRA

7.1 After due correspondence and permission from and / or between Howrah Jela Joutho Paribesh Mancha and Ramakrishna Mission Sikshanamandira, the authority of Ramakrishna Mission Sikshanamandira may make necessary arrangements for joint activities pertaining to environmental awareness and environmental sustainability such as tree plantation drive, environmental awareness camps, organising joint seminars, symposiums and/or workshops etc. for the said purpose with Howrah Jela Joutho Paribesh Mancha. The modalities of such activities such as financial expenses, outreach, span and scope shall be decided a-priori before such activities, by both of the partner organisations through mutual understanding.

7.2 For the purpose of tree plantation drives Ramakrishna Mission Sikshanamandira shall collect saplings from college campus and pot & prepare them properly whereas Howrah Jela Joutho Paribesh Mancha shall share the responsibility of surveying and selecting the proper spot and also take care of post plantation nourishment.

7.3 Special focus and emphasis shall be given to the National/ International days demarcated for environmental causes such as World Soil Day, World Earth Day, World River Day, Earth Day, etc. These days shall be observed with joint organisation of duly themed environmental activities and initiatives and also with seminars, workshops and/or symposiums on the pertinent subject.

### 8. FORCE MAJEURE:

Neither Ramakrishna Mission Sikshanamandira nor Howrah Jela Joutho Paribesh Mancha shall be held responsible for non-fulfillment 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 affected thereby, shall give a notice in writing to Howrah Jela Joutho Paribesh Mancha 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.

## 9. TERMINATION OF AGREEMENT

This agreement may be terminated by either of the parties forthwith if either Ramakrishna Mission Sikshanamandira or Howrah Jela Joutho Paribesh Mancha commits breach of any of the terms hereof and shall have failed to rectify such breach within thirty days of the notice served on it by the other

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party i.e. either Ramakrishna Mission Sikshanamandira or Howrah Jela Joutho Paribesh Mancha, 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 Ramakrishna Mission Sikshanamandira and Howrah Jela Joutho Paribesh Mancha voluntarily or involuntarily enters into official dilution, bankruptcy or similar recognizable proceedings or if, applications involving such proceedings, have been filed.

### 10. 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' period, this MOU may be terminated or may be renewed after judging situations.

#### 11. SETTLEMENT

Upon termination of the agreement:

All rights granted to and the obligations by Ramakrishna Mission Sikshanamandira and Howrah Jela Joutho Paribesh Mancha hereto, shall cease to exist forthwith, except the obligation of Ramakrishna Mission Sikshanamandira to keep Collaborative activity in confidence, as per clause 7 above; accrued on or prior to the date of such termination, make written reports and keep records, files and books and the right of Howrah Jela Joutho Paribesh Mancha to inspect the same.

### 12. 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 to Ramakrishna Mission Sikshanamandira at its last known address of business. Similarly, any notice to be given to the Howrah Jela Joutho Paribesh Mancha, shall be considered to be duly served if the same shall have been delivered to, left or posted by registered mail to the Howrah Jela Joutho Paribesh Mancha at its registered address in Kolkata.

## 13. 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 Howrah Jela Joutho Paribesh Mancha 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.





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## 14. ASSIGNMENT OF THE AGREEMENT

The rights and/or liabilities to Ramakrishna Mission Sikshanamandira to this MOU shall not be assigned except with the written consent of both Ramakrishna Mission Sikshanamandira and Howrah Jela Joutho Paribesh Mancha, subject to such terms and conditions; as may be mutually agreed upon, by both Ramakrishna Mission Sikshanamandira and Howrah Jela Joutho Paribesh Mancha.

#### 15. ARBITRATION

Except as herein before provided, all disputes arising out of or in connection with this MOU shall be referred to the sole arbitration of a person nominated by Department of Higher education, Government of West Bengal and designated as the Arbitrator. The arbitrator's verdict shall be final and binding on both Ramakrishna Mission Sikshanamandira and Howrah Jela Joutho Paribesh Mancha. From time to time, with the consent of both Ramakrishna Mission Sikshanamandira and Howrah Jela Joutho Paribesh Mancha, the Arbitrator may enlarge the scope and time for making and publishing the verdict awarded.

#### 16. 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 Howrah Jela Joutho Paribesh Mancha. In witness whereof the parties hereto have signed this agreement the day, month and year mentioned hereinbefore.

For and on behalf of -	
Howrah Jela Joutha Paribesh Manch	la

Sign.: Samrat Mundal.

Name: Sri Samrat Mondal Desig.: Assistant Secretary

Howrah Jela Joutha Paribesh Mancha

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Witness (Name and address)

1... Amrita Das

2... Soumer Worth, Belux Math

Date: 5-/2-2018



For and on behalf of -

Ramakrishna Mission Sikshanamandira

Digin. 01 (00) 21 15 12/

Name: Swami Tattwasarananda

Desig.: Principal

Ramakrishna Mission Sikshanamandira

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Witness (Name and address)

1... Aion Ghosh; Belor Math

2... Pristam Rojel, Belur Math

Date: 05.12.2018