



**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING
(MOU)
BETWEEN
KATHMANDU UNIVERSITY (KU)
DHULIKHEL, KAVRE
AND
GANDAKI UNIVERSITY (GU)
POKHARA, KASKI**

BACKGROUND

Kathmandu University (KU), Dhulikhel, Kavre was established to provide higher education and research in different disciplines through the Schools of Engineering, Arts, Law, Science, Management, Medicine, and Education. Established in 1991, KU has already completed its Silver Jubilee in 2016. Further, it has acquired high recognition within the country and across the globe through its excellence in research, teaching and collaborative activities.

Gandaki University (GU) was established by the Gandaki Province Government in 2019 to produce the high-skilled human resources required for building a prosperous nation. GU is governed by a Board of Trustees (BOT), an independent, apolitical, permanent entity. GU steers towards becoming an innovative and pedagogic center, producing high-quality market-driven professionals and development leaders; building partnership with industries, private sectors, other universities and research institutes for research, innovation, and new technology generation.

THE PURPOSE OF COLLABORATION

By keeping the national interest at centre stage, the primary purpose of the collaboration is to strengthen Nepal's higher education, thereby, playing the catalytic role as the implementers of Nepal's national priorities in various academic platforms in Nepal. Therefore, both the universities have decided to help, support, and strengthen each other as mentioned below.

CAPACITY DEVELOPMENT

- KU and GU will support each other with the sole aim of nurturing, developing and consolidating all aspects of higher education in Nepal.
- KU and GU will extend full cooperation in the training of each other's students in undergraduate and postgraduate programs.
- Kathmandu University and Gandaki University will collaborate to develop and launch a joint program in the field of "Mining Engineering." A separate implementation agreement would be developed and signed by the concerned Schools/Faculties for this purpose.
- A team made up of members from both universities will be formed to determine the necessities of Gandaki University, the capabilities of Kathmandu University, and the shared goals of the Mining program.

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EXCHANGE OF STUDENTS AND FACULTIES

- KU and GU will provide opportunities for short/long term deputations of their respective faculty/staff members to each other as per their needs. The deputed faculty/staff members shall abide by the rules and regulations of the university where their original postings are.
- KU and GU will engage in the exchanges of students and faculty members to strengthen teaching, research, and innovation.

TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER

- KU and GU will consider conducting joint research in mutual interests and disseminate the outcomes within and outside the country.
- KU and GU will share their laboratories to enhance research, teaching, and innovation.

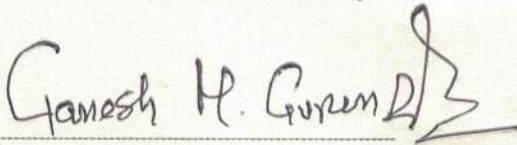
MOU DURATION

- The MOU will be effective immediately on the day it is signed for 5 (five) years. The MOU can be extended after five years if both sides agree.
- Any changes, revisions and modifications will be considered by mutual agreement.

TERMINATION OF AGREEMENT

This agreement may be terminated at any time by mutual agreement or if one or both parties are in breach of the agreed terms of the MOU. Either party may terminate this agreement by giving the other party one-month prior notice in writing of the intention to do so if either party doesn't fulfil their responsibilities as stated above.

On behalf of Gandaki University



Prof. Dr. Ganesh Man Gurung
Chancellor

Date: 22-01-2023

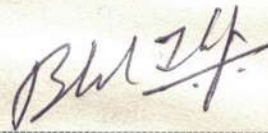
Witness:



Name: Dr. Kapil Adhikari
Dean, Faculty of Science and
Technology



On behalf of Kathmandu University



Prof. Dr. Bhola Thapa
Vice Chancellor

Date: 22.01.2023

Witness:



Prof. Dr. Manish Pokharel
Dean, School of Engineering

