

**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MOU)**  
**BETWEEN**  
**KATHMANDU UNIVERSITY (KU), DHULIKHEL, KAVRE**  
**AND**  
**FAR WESTERN UNIVERSITY (FWU), MAHENDRANAGAR**

**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 teaching, research and collaborative activities.

Far Western University (FWU) was established in 2010 by the Act of Parliament as a government-funded national university to function as a prime academic institution in the country in terms of academic excellence, research-based education, community engagement, and partnership. FWU runs undergraduate, graduate and research programs through seven faculties including Humanities and Social Sciences, Education, Management, Science and Technology, Engineering, Agriculture and Law. Recently, the Faculty of Health Sciences has also been established and the university plans to run a medical college in Dadelghura.

**THE PURPOSE OF COLLABORATION**

Keeping the national interest at the centre, both the universities intend to strengthen Nepal's higher education by playing the catalytic role as the implementers of Nepal's national priorities in various academic platforms. Through this collaboration, both the universities agree to help, support, and strengthen each other as mentioned below.

**CAPACITY DEVELOPMENT**

- KU and FWU shall support each other with the sole aim of nurturing, developing, and consolidating all aspects of higher education in Nepal.

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- KU and FWU shall extend cooperation in the training of each other's students in undergraduate, graduate and research programs.
- KU and FWU shall support each other to enhance the capacity of their faculty members through collaborative research, training and exchange.
- Both the universities shall explore the possibility to launch joint undergraduate, graduate and research programs.

### **EXCHANGE OF STUDENTS AND FACULTIES**

- KU and FWU shall provide opportunities for short-term and 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 FWU shall engage in the exchanges of students and faculty members to strengthen teaching, research, and innovation.

### **TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER**

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

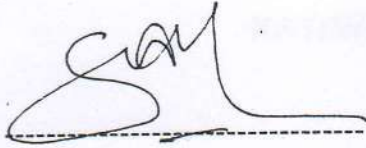
### **MOU DURATION**

- The MOU shall remain effective for five years commencing from the day it is signed. The MOU shall be extended after five years if both the universities agree.
- Any changes, revisions, and modifications shall 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 six-months prior notice in writing of the intention to do so if either party does not fulfil their responsibilities as stated above.

On behalf of Far Western University

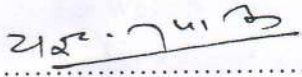


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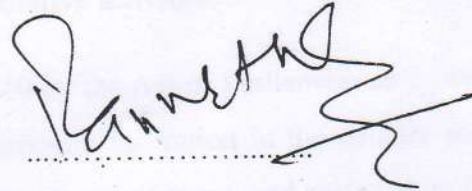


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Signed on: 05 February, 2023