## Memorandum of Understanding

between

# Jagat Guru Nanak Dev Punjab State Open University

&

## **Deaf Cricket Federation (DCF)**



On the proposal of Deaf Cricket Federation (DCF) for providing Educational opportunities in terms of getting Higher Education & Degrees to Differently Abled People (Divyang), Jagat Guru Nanak Dev Punjab State Open University has agreed to sign Memorandum of Understanding for initiating Special Project in this field.

Both the organizations recognizes their strength in research, education, Disability matters, Special Assistances required as per disability, mode of teaching and express their interest to come on a single platform to serve this special area of society.

Jagat Guru Nanak Dev Punjab State Open University and Deaf Cricket Federation (DCF) therefore agree to establish a Memorandum of Understanding where Divyang People will be able to get higher education in accordance with terms and conditions set forth in this Memorandum of Understanding.

#### Objective:

The goal is to foster collaboration, provide opportunity to every Divyang person who is keen to get himself educated and Graduated followed by other higher education programs but is struggling due to non-availability of Special Assistance, Special Modes of Teaching, Communication and other such type of challenges.

Both the parties will have their roles and responsibilities as laid down in this Memorandum of Understanding for making this social responsibility project a big success and an asset for Divyang people of society.

### Roles & Responsibilities of University:

- 1. University will provide admission to Divyang person as per government rules (free of cost) in any course which is offered by university.
- 2. University will provide study material to Divyang (free of cost) in digital format.
- 3. University will extend all the facilities to Divyang student which is being offered to an abled student.
- University will conduct exams and will award Degree or Certificate as per the program to Divyang students after successful completion of the program and assessment.
- University will exempt the entire examination fee and any other charges involved for the Divyang Student.
- 6. University will appoint one Person as Project Director who will be nominated by DCF on Honorary basis. He will liaison with different departments of university regarding the above project. The expert from DCF will have expertise in dealing with Divyang

Denyt.

Page 1 of 3

people and will have experience of promoting and uplifting Special people in society. He will also coordinate with examination centers of university for smooth participation and conduction of exams for Divyang students in those centers. In order to co-ordinate with DCF for the above said purpose, university will appoint one Person as Nodal Officer from within the Institution in order to achieve the objectives of the project.

- 7. The university will be assisted by DCF in providing sign language interpreters and braille experts for examination purpose. Suitable remunerations as per university norms shall be given to them at time of examinations.
- 8. The university will have no financial commitment in this project though academic obligations will be taken care of by the university.

### Roles & Responsibilities of DCF:

- 1. DCF shall assist University in mobilizing Divyang students for admissions.
- 2. DCF shall promote the program through sign language videos and other means of communication with Divyang people.
- 3. DCF shall assist the University in converting the study material of respective degree or diplomas into Audio Books through their volunteers and the content in sign language will also be developed with the help of sign language interpreters for Deaf students.
- 4. DCF shall nominate Disability expert who will be having a liaison with the university authorities and work under University banner as Project Director on Honorary basis from time to time.
- 5. Sign language Interpreter provided by DCF shall be entirely responsible for handling the queries of Divyang students and addressing their concerns and grievances.
- 6. No fees shall be charged by DCF from the Divyang students keeping in view the spirit of Memorandum of Understanding.

### **Project Details:**

- Promotional efforts will be made by the University and DCF on their respective online social media platforms and other channels as per mandate of Memorandum of Understanding.
- 2. Any Individual who has Disability as per the Government norms shall be eligible to get admission directly or through DCF under this project for the programs which are offered by the university from time to time.
- 3. Special Instructors and sign language interpreters will be provided to Divyang students at their examination centers during examination.
- 4. Assistance in the form of sign language interpreter will be provided for all deaf students for answering their queries and solving their problems by DCF.
- 5. Barrier free environment and Differently Abled Friendly infrastructure shall be ensured for smooth movement of Physically Challenged and Blind.

#### **Tenure and Termination**

This Memorandum of Understanding will take effect from the date it is signed by the representatives of the two organizations. It will remain valid for five years, and may be continued thereafter after suitable review and agreement.

Pachfri

This Memorandum of Understanding can be terminated by either party at any time provided that the written notice is given by the either party of its intention at least three months prior to its termination.

The cause for termination need not be expressly spelt out. However, both the parties agree to ensure that the ongoing program is continued till the scheduled time line.

#### Intellectual Property:

The self learning material or content developed for Divyang students in the electronic or print form shall be the exclusive Intellectual property of JGND PSOU Patiala.

The name, crests and logo of each Institution are the Intellectual property of that Institution, and shall not be used without the prior written permission from the other party.

## Amendments in Memorandum of Understanding

Required Amendments in this Memorandum of Understanding can be made from time to time only with the consent of both the parties. Both the parties will review the progress of activities on quarterly basis.

For and on behalf of DCF

(Authorised Signatory, DCF)

lachesters

For and on behalf of JGND PSOU

(Registrar, JGND PSOU)

Place: Chandigarh

Dated: 01/02/2022