



**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MOU)**  
**BETWEEN**  
**THE PROGRESS (An initiative of Sri Aurobindo Yoga & Knowledge Foundation, India)**  
**AND**  
**AUROVILLE CONSULTING**

This MOU is entered into on the 2<sup>nd</sup> day of January 2022 by and between THE PROGRESS, situated at Funda (Chhattisgarh), An initiative of Sri Aurobindo Yoga and Knowledge Foundation and Auroville Consulting situated in Tamil Nadu.

The aforesaid institutions are hereinafter referred to individually as institute and collectively as institutes.

**1. Objectives of MOU**

The objectives of the MOU are:

- A) To promote and enhance academic interest between THE PROGRESS & Auroville Consulting.
- B) To promote research/continuing education activities between institutions.
- C) To Conduct Jointly Faculty Development Programme, Workshops, and Conferences for various Colleges/Universities/aspirants and Internships associated as members of THE PROGRESS.

**2. Proposed Modes of Collaboration**

THE PROGRESS and Auroville Consulting propose to collaborate through the following:

- a) Will have a tripartite agreement as MOU between The Progress, Auroville Consulting, and the associated Institution for promotion of Research, education, and training in areas of mutual interest.
- b) Organizing of National and International Conferences/workshops/Seminars/ Faculty development Programmes jointly along with the associated Institutions.
- b) Any other appropriate mode of interaction agreed upon between THE PROGRESS and Auroville Consulting.

A specific plan will be worked out by the Institutes depending upon the availability of resources. A specific agreement will be entered into for each activity.

**3. Terms and Conditions**

A) The Progress along with its associated Institutions will organize the events like conferences, Faculty development programmes, Workshops, etc. in Auroville, and Auroville Consulting will provide the facilities like Auditorium, Experts as speakers, etc for the International and National Conferences and Faculty Development programme. Both institutes agree to help identify and invite the faculty members and researchers from the other institutes to participate in conferences and workshops

B) This MOU may be amended, renewed, and terminated by mutual written agreement of the institutes at any time.

C) Either Institute shall have the right to terminate this MOU upon 60 days prior written notice to the other Institute.

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## **5. Confidentiality**

- a) THE PROGRESS and Auroville Consulting agree to hold in confidence all information/data designated by the institutes as being confidential which is obtained from either institute or created during the performance of the MOU and will not disclose the same to any third party without the written consent of the other institute.
- b) The above confidential clause under this MOU excludes the information/data possessed by either institute before entering this MOU or independently developed and/or information already available through the public domain.

## **6. Duration of MOU**

This MOU, unless extended by mutual written consent of the institutes, shall expire one year after the effective date specified in the opening paragraph.

## **7. Coordinators**

Both Institutes will designate persons who will have responsibility for the coordination and implementation of this agreement.

## **8. Intellectual Property Rights**

The intellectual property rights (IPR) that arise as a result of joint research and collaborative activity under the agreement will be worked out on a case-to-case basis and will be consistent with officially laid down IPR policies of the two Institutes.

## **9. Signed in Duplicate**

This MOU is executed in duplicate with each copy being an official version and having equal legal validity. By signing below, the institutes, acting by their duly authorized officers, have caused this Memorandum of Understanding to be executed, effective as of the day and year first above written.

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