Memorandum of Understanding

THIS MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MOU) is entered into on the 30th November, 2018 at AHMEDABAD.

Between

The Dr. BABASAHEB AMBEDKAR OPEN UNIVERSITY, AHMEDABAD, (which expression shall where the context so admits include its successors and permitted assigns)

And

The SAMSKRITA BHARATI, (संस्कृतभारती) (which expression shall where the context so admits include its successors and permitted assigns) of other part.

- The Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar Open University (BAOU) was established by the Act No.14 of 1994 passed by the Gujarat State Legislature, and assented to by the Governor of Gujarat on 27th July, 1994. The BAOU is the seventh Open University in the country in terms of their establishment.

  The headquarters of the university is located at Ahmedabad. The University has more than 250 active study centers and three regional Centres located at Rajkot, Bhuj and Surat. The university offers 83 courses which include various certificate, diploma, post-graduate diploma, degree, post-graduate degree, M.Phil and Ph.D. courses and has average enrolment of 70,000 students per year. The jurisdiction of the university comprises of the whole state of Gujarat. It is open to all persons irrespective of classes, castes, creed, religion or gender.

  The important and distinguishing objectives of the university are to advance and disseminate learning and knowledge by a diversity of means, including use of any communication technology, provide opportunities for higher education to a large segment of the population, promote the educational well-being of the community generally and encourage the Open University and distance education system in the education pattern of the Sate
- Samskrita Bharati (founded 1981) is a non-profit organization comprised of a large team of dedicated and enthusiastic volunteers who take the knowledge of

Sanskrit to all sections of society irrespective of race, gender, region, religion, caste, age etc. Samskrita Bharati is a movement for the continuing protection, development and propagation of the Samskrit language as well as the literature, tradition and the knowledge systems embedded in it. It promotes the study of Samskrit and makes it accessible to all sections of society, co-ordinates the work with academic institutions worldwide for more effective and rapid spread of Samskrit and enables activities for research into Samskrit tradition and its knowledge systems. The main All India office is located in New Delhi and the office in Gujarat is located at Ahmedabad.

OBJECTIVES of MOU

The Dr. BABASAHEB AMBEDKAR OPEN UNIVERSITY wishes to forge Knowledge Partnership in the area of Samskrit Language to support in spreading awareness about Samskrit language, providing more and better opportunities of learning Sambhashan for those who wish to learn it, enhance oral competence of learners in Samskrit language, knowledge sharing, research and academic development in the state of Gujarat.

The Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar Open University would take academic help from the Samskrita Bharati and jointly organise Seminar, Conferences, Sumposiums, Sambhashan Shibirs (camps to teach spoken Samskrit), Prashikshan Shibirs (Camps for teachers' training), Vyakaran Varga and Karyashaala (Classes and workshops to teach Samskrit Grammar), Anuvad Karyashala (Translation Workshops), Residential Camps for Spoken Samskrit, publication of the International standard, reviews of the publications, recording of audio-visual material in the area of Samskrit language.

WHEREAS

Under this Agreement, as a knowledge partner, the Dr. BABASAHEB AMBEDKAR OPEN UNIVERSITY undertakes to carry out the following tasks:

1. Provide the studio to record and edit the Audio-Visual Modules for teaching of Samskrit for the Samskrit Correspondence Course- "Patrachar Dvara Samskritam" to Samskrita Bharati.
2. Take help from Samskrita Bharati in organizing "Sambhashan Samskrit Shibhrs", "Prakshikshan Shibirs", Samskrit Seminars, Conferences, Lectures and Cultural Programmes in Samskrit and every type of events that promotes Samskrit Language.
3. Take academic help from Samskrita Bharati to publish books and other printed material and get them reviewed.
4. Collectively prepare and publish printed (books and other material), audio and audio-visual study material to learn Samskrit language and literature, which has both immediate and long-term impacts to promote the study of Samskrit and make it accessible to all sections of society.
5. Be knowledge partner with Samskrita Bharati in Samskrit promotional activities and provide or share human and infrastructural resources, following official approval procedure, as and when required.

Validity

This MOU shall be valid for THREE years from the date of its execution. However, agreements concluded under this MOU shall be valid till end of contracting obligations and responsibilities of the concerned parties. The validity of this MOU can be further extended with mutual consent of the parties in writing.

Termination

This MOU can be terminated by either of the parties by giving three months' notice in writing without assigning any reason thereof, subject to completion of assignments in hand.

This MOU has been executed in two originals, one of which has been retained by the The Dr. BABASAHEB AMBEDKAR OPEN UNIVERSITY and another by The SAMSKRIT BHARATI.

In witness therefore, each of the parties hereto has caused this MOU to be executed by its duly authorized officers or representatives of the date first written above.

For the University



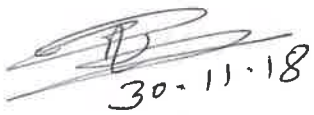
.....(Signature)

Name: Prof. Dr. Ami Upadhyay

Position: Registrar (I/c) & Director (SHSS)

Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar Open Univeristy

For Samskrit Bharati



.....(Signature)

Name: Shri Jayshankar Rawal

Position: Prant-Mantri

Samskrit Bharati, Gujarat

Date: 30/01/2018

Witness

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Dr. Arva Shukla