



MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

Collaboration in the Field of Technical and Vocational
Education and Training

between

**Odisha Skill Development Authority
Government of Odisha
India**

and

**ITE Education Services
Singapore**

On

02nd November, 2017

Introduction

- 1 This Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) is made between:
 - 1.1 Odisha Skill Development Authority (OSDA), Government of Odisha, India, and having its principal office at 1st Floor, Rajiv Bhavan, Unit-5, Bhubaneswar-751001, Odisha; and
 - 1.2 ITE Education Services (ITEES), Singapore, and having its principal place of business at ITE Headquarters, 2 Ang Mo Kio Drive, Singapore 567720.
- 2 Whereas:
 - 2.1 OSDA, is the main implementing agency for skills development and transformation in the Indian state of Odisha. The OSDA has been mandated by the Government of Odisha with an overarching mission to bring about transformative human capital development across the state. The Authority has embarked on a transformation plan to skill 630,000 youths of Odisha within the next 2 years and, in the course of it, to create a Skilled-in-Odisha Global Brand.
 - 2.2 ITEES, a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Institute of Technical Education (ITE), Singapore, was established in 2003 with the objective of sharing the ITE's experience and expertise in Technical and Vocational Education and Training (TVET) with the international community. Leveraging on more than 50 years of knowledge, capabilities and experience of ITE and its predecessor organisations, ITEES is able to help organisations to develop/strengthen their TVET capability in a rapidly-changing global economy.
- 3 This MoU outlines the broad areas of interests for collaborations in 3 TVET projects where the professional services of ITEES could be engaged. The 3 TVET projects are namely:
 - 3.1 Upgrading of Industrial Training Institutes (ITIs) in Odisha.
 - 3.2 Establishment of a World Skills Centre, in the Indian city of Bhubaneswar.
 - 3.3 Development of 6 Advanced Skills Technical Institutes in Odisha.



Scope of Cooperation

- 4 OSDA and ITEES shall collaborate to implement the 3 TVET projects with ITEES offering to OSDA its TVET consultancy services in the following areas on a Fee for Service basis.
 - 4.1 TVET Leadership Development.
 - 4.2 TVET Staff Capability Development.
 - 4.3 TVET Academic Development.
 - 4.4 TVET Academic Quality Assurance.
 - 4.5 TVET Innovation, Research and Technology.
 - 4.6 TVET Assessment and Certification.
 - 4.7 TVET Infrastructure Development.
 - 4.8 Other areas of consultancy which are relevant for the successful implementation of the 3 projects
- 5 Besides the 3 TVET projects as outlined in Clause 3, both parties may explore other areas of interest and implement other TVET projects relevant to the transformation plan of OSDA in skills development, for which both sides, shall sign a supplementary document to this MoU
- 6 Where applicable, both parties may work with third party philanthropic organisations to contribute towards project implementation, with prior written consent of each other

First Collaboration Project

- 7 The first collaboration project to be executed under the ambit of this MOU shall be the training of 100 TVET Leaders and Management Staff from ITIs of Odisha, senior officials of OSDA and Govt. of Odisha, which comes under the TVET project of Upgrading of ITIs in Odisha. A separate Terms of Reference shall be signed between OSDA and ITEES, minimum 2 months in advance prior to commencement of training, to implement this project activity which is scheduled to commence in first quarter of 2018.

Financial and Administrative Arrangements

- 8 The financial and administrative arrangements for the activities undertaken by OSDA and ITEES shall be determined by joint consultation and agreement by both parties through separate legally-binding service contract(s).



- 9 A committee comprising representatives from both parties shall be formed to implement this MoU with equal representation from both the sides. The committee shall communicate regularly to ensure that the objectives of the collaboration are achieved. Both parties shall also nominate a "Nodal officer" for effective collaboration, who shall coordinate all the activities from the respective side and act as a "single point of contact".

Duration of Cooperation

- 10 The duration for the cooperation shall be for a period of five years, commencing from the date of signing. Thereafter, both parties shall review the status of this cooperation and may extend it on such terms as mutually agreed.
- 11 Both parties shall review the outcome of the collaboration periodically, initially review of the outcome shall be carried quarterly (once in a three months) and subsequently, based on mutual understanding and convenience, the frequency of review may be increased/decreased. Any revision to the terms and conditions of this MoU shall be subject to mutual agreement, in writing, by both parties.
- 12 In the event that any party wishes to terminate the collaboration before the expiry date, a three-month notice in writing to the other party shall be given.

Confidentiality

- 13 Subject to the requirements of applicable law, both OSDA and ITEES their respective affiliates shall not disclose terms of this MoU, without a prior written consent from each other, to anyone other than persons who need to know such information to assist them in implementing the terms of this MoU.

Announcements

- 14 Subject to the requirements of applicable law, no public announcement of this MoU shall be made either by OSDA or ITEES without the prior written consent or confirmation of the other party.

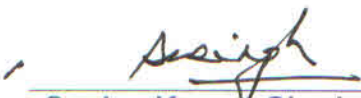


Obligations

- 15 The obligations of OSDA and ITEES shall be limited to the compliance of the terms in this MoU, as far as it is reasonably possible to do so.
- 16 Both parties agree that this MoU is not intended to create a legally-binding contractual relationship between OSDA and ITEES, and shall not be construed to provide a private right or cause of action for or by any person or entity.
- 17 If any question or situation should arise which is not expressly provided for in this MoU, the matter shall be resolved by joint consultation between OSDA and ITEES in a spirit of mutual cooperation.

Signed on behalf of
Odisha Skill Development Authority
Government of Odisha
India

Signed on behalf of
ITE Education Services,
Singapore




Sanjay Kumar Singh
Commissioner-Cum-Secretary
SD &TE Department,
Govt of Odisha



Bruce Poh Geok Huat
Chief Executive Officer
ITE Education Services

Witnessed by:

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Subroto Bagchi
Chairman,
Odisha Skill Development Authority



Lim Boon Tiong
Director/Asia
ITE Education Services

Date of Signing: 2 November 2017