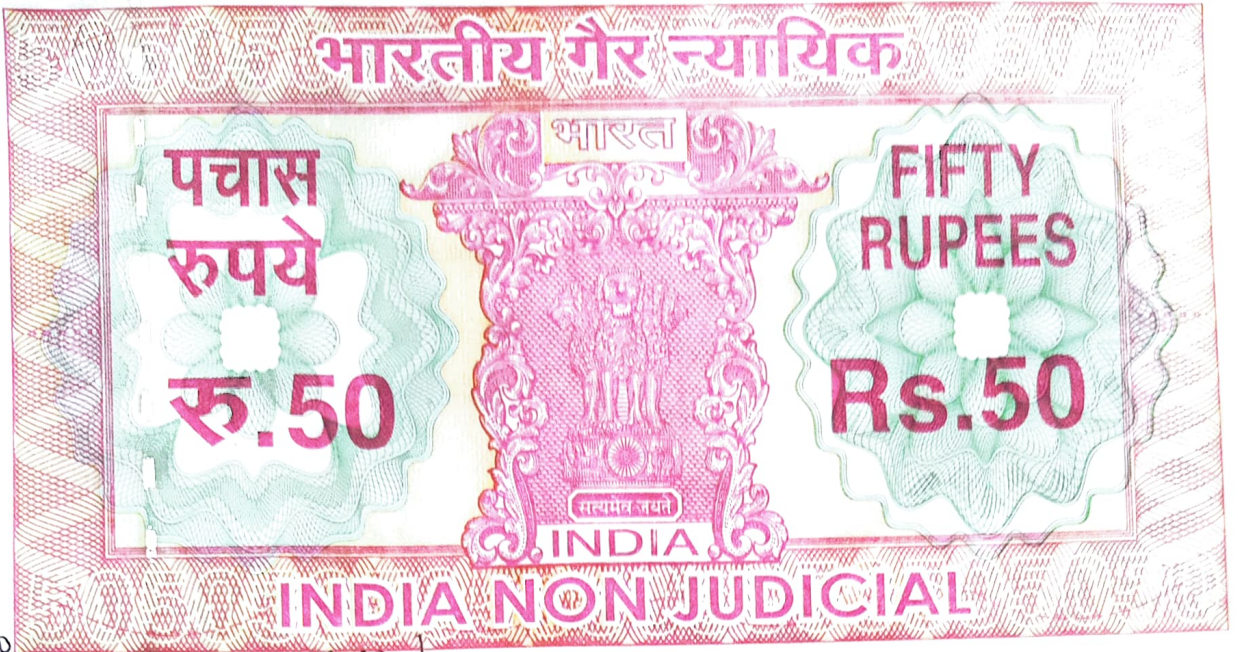


**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING**  
**BETWEEN**  
**AP STATE BIODIVERSITY BOARD, Guntur.**  
**(GOVT of A.P.)**  
**AND**  
**SRI KRISHNADEVARAYA COLLEGE OF**  
**HORTICULTURAL SCIENCES,**  
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### MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

This Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) is between **AP State Biodiversity Board** hereinafter is referred to as APSBB and Sri Krishnadevaraya College of Horticultural Sciences, Anantapuramu-515002, Andhra Pradesh, India, hereinafter referred to as SKCHS.

Whereas, A. P. State Biodiversity Board which was constituted by Government of Andhra Pradesh in the Year 2006 as per provisions under Section 22(1) of Biological Diversity Act, 2002 having its office at Plot No, 210 & 311, Walnut Block, Rain Tree Park, Opp. Acharya Nagarjuna University, NH -5, Numbur, Guntur dist. A. P. -522 510. APSBB is nodal Agency of govt. of AP to implementing Biodiversity Act, 2002 of

Government of India and Biodiversity Act 2009 of A.P. through creation of Biodiversity management committees to ensure conservation of Biodiversity of the state and sustainable and equitable sharing of benefits arising out of utilization of Bioresources. Andhra Pradesh is endowed with varied Eco-systems, habitats and rich heritage of Biodiversity and is a store house of rich flora and fauna. The state is a proud possessor of some rare and endemic plants like *Cycas beddomei*, *Cycas seshachalamensis*, *Cycas sphaerica*, *Pterocarpus santalinus*, *Terminalia pallida*, *Syzygium alternifolium*, *Shorea talura*, *Shorea tumburgia*, *Psilotum nudum* etc. It has fauna like Tiger, Gaur, Great Indian Bustard, Lesser Florican, Jerdon's Courser, Golden Gecko, other avifauna like Flamingo, Pelican etc.

**Whereas**, Sri Krishnadevaraya College of Horticultural Sciences is a Self-financed, Unaided Private Co-Education Institution established in 2016 in Anantapuramu, Andhra Pradesh, sprawling over 110 acres of land of scenic landscape has been laid out to create a unique learning environment. SKCHS is affiliated to Dr. Y.S.R. Horticultural University, Venkatramannagudem, (W.G.), A.P.

The Institution is established with an objective of imparting quality education along with the requisite personality traits and thereby to carve young Indians into dynamic and most talented persons in their domain matching the needs of the contemporary industries of Horticulture and related branches of knowledge.

To be the leading centre providing student - responsive education, farmer - interactive training and services for development of Horticulture and agro industry. Sri Krishnadevaraya College of Horticultural Sciences visualizes the critical importance of Horticultural information and Communication Technology as an



instrument for the overall development and the Institute remains deeply committed to dissemination of increasing productivity, rural development and enhancing the quality of life of the farmers.

Education : To train the man power needed for Horticultural development of the State of Andhra Pradesh and to develop resources and innovative technological services to the present farming community.

Research : To constantly improve and generate technology for increasing quality production, protection, conservation, evaluation, retention for the benefit of clientele.

Extension : To undertake basic and applied research to breakthrough newer areas of knowledge in Horticulture and related subjects.

NOW THEREFORE, APSBB and SKCHS, inspired by their common objectives to further promote and accelerate education research and extension on Horticulture and develop farming system in the above disciplines and have entered to this MOU under the following terms and conditions:

### **AREAS OF COLLABORATION**

In order to further develop the partnership between APSBB and SKCHS, the two parties have agreed in principle to (a) landscapes, heritage sites, sacred groves, hotspots and niche areas with focus on endemic, rare, endangered, and threatened species by demarcation, protection, conservation, utilization, enhancement, research, value addition, product development, documentation, patenting, extension, (b) undertake collaborative Seminars research activities in other areas of mutual interest to both APSBB and SKCHS, and (c) cooperate in other means for exchanging scientific knowledge and information, such as co-publications (d) Choice of Tree species grown (e) Nursery raising (f) Planting

## Techniques

The scale of collaboration between APSBB and SKCHS will be determined from time to time by joint evaluation of APSBB and SKCHS needs and interest in collaboration, capacity and implementation of the joint program.

## **OWNERSHIP AND PUBLICATION OF RESULTS OF COOPERATIVE RESEARCH**

Both parties agree that:

1. Results of collaborative research and development will be jointly published in the public interest as mutually agreed upon.
2. Subject to execution of Material Transfer Agreements (MTAs) and biosafety rules and regulation, between materials, germplasm, etc. will be freely exchanged between APSBB and SKCHS vice-versa and with due recognition of the sources of the seed material either party may use materials but will give full credit to its source of origin.
3. It is also agreed that all outcomes of APSBB and SKCHS joint research activities including all intellectual Property Right (IPR) shall be jointly owned by both parties. As such, they shall remain in the public domain and shall be available to APSBB and SKCHS.
4. Duly acknowledge the contribution made by both parties.

## TERMS AND CONDITIONS

- 1 Laboratory, Field and Library facilities available with APSBB and SKCHS can be shared for research work.
- 2 Wherever required APSBB and SKCHS shall arrange hostel/guest house accommodation for research purpose during their research work at normal rates.
- 3 Both parties will strive hard to get the project funding from National and International agencies on the topics/themes related to the interest of both parties, benefiting the farming community and society. The funding/grant available at disposal of either party will be preferably extended to other party within the governing rules and regulations of grant(s). The joint research proposal will be submitted by either of the parties after taking written approval of other party.
- 4 In case of any dispute between the two, such disputes/ differences shall be resolved amicably by mutual discussions without any recourse to courts. The decision of Associate Dean, SKCHS and Chairman, APSBB shall be final and binding to each other in such situation and no suit/ writ will be maintainable in any court or Law, sole arbitrator.

## WORK PLAN

This MOU will be implemented through specific collaborative work plan. The work plan specifically describes the joint activities to be carried out will be consistent with the priorities and joint research agenda identified and agreed upon at the APSBB and SKCHS. The work plan may originate from either party but will require the joint approval of both

parties for implementation.

### AMENDMENTS

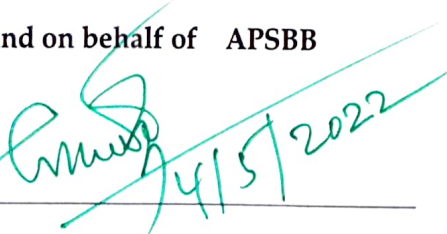
The parties may, by mutual consent in writing, modify any provisions of this MOU.

### EFFECTIVITY

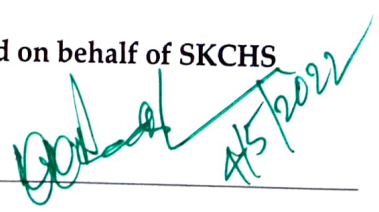
This MOU shall take effect on the date the last authorized representative affixes his/her signature, and shall remain valid for Three (3) years unless sooner terminated when one of the parties notifies the other in writing of its intention to terminate the MOU, in which case, the MOU will terminate six months from the date of such notification. This MOU may be further renewed or extended upon mutual agreement between the parties, which shall be made not later than six months prior to the termination date.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the two parties here into signed this Memorandum of Understanding on the day 04(four) of the month May in the year 2022 by competent authorities indicated below:

For and on behalf of APSBB

  
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Dr. B. Mariya Kumar Reddy  
Chairman, APSBB  
Andhra Pradesh

For and on behalf of SKCHS

  
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Dr. N. Narayana Reddy  
Associate Dean, SKCHS  
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