



Memorandum of Understanding Between

State Institute of Advanced Studies in Teacher Education (SIASTE), Gurugram

(An Autonomous Institute under Dept. of Higher Education, Govt. of Haryana)

and

Government College, Sector-9, Gurugram

(College under Dept. of Higher Education, Govt. of Haryana)

for

Teaching / Research Collaborations and Faculty / Student Exchange for Strengthening Teacher Education as per NEP-2020

This Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) is entered into by and between the State Institute of Advanced Studies in Teacher Education, Gurugram affiliated with Gurugram University, Gurugram, hereinafter called "SIASTE Gurugram or First Institute" and Government College, Sector-9, Gurugram affiliated with Gurugram University, Gurugram, hereinafter called "GC, Sector-9, Gurugram or Second Institute".

This Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) is effective from the date of signing by functionaries of SIASTE Gurugram through its Principal (Le) as an authorized signatory on behalf of Director SIASTE and GC, SECTOR-9, Garugram through its Principal to establish collaboration and partnership between:

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State Institute of Advanced Studies in Teacher Education (SIASTE), Gurugram; an autonomous institute established by the Government of Haryana under the administrative control of DHE Haryana to act as a pace-setting institute of teacher education and currently running B.A.B.Ed. / B.Sc.B.Ed. (Four Year Integrated Teacher Education Program) in affiliation with Gurugram University, Gurugram since 2021.

Government College, Sector-9 (GC, SECTOR-9,), Gurugram: a government-run post-graduate college currently running various Undergraduate and Post-Graduate programs in Arts/Commerce/Science/etc. in affiliation with Gurugram University, Gurugram.

Preamble

SIASTE Gurugram aims to improve the quality of school education in the state of Haryana in specific and the country in general by producing teachers equipped with twenty-first century skills. The government of Haryana, in its proactive measure to impart state-funded Integrated Teacher Education Program, established SIASTE Jhajjar in 2012 and extended it to SIASTE Gurugram in 2021 for the same noble cause and expertise. As per Clause 15.5 of NEP-2020; the integrated teacher education programs (B.A.B.Ed./B.Sc.B.Ed.) program run under SIASTEs is going to be a minimal degree qualification and mandatory requirement for teacher recruitment in the country by 2030.

National Education Policy 2020 (NEP-2020) is a visionary document suggesting several policy directions for offering multidisciplinary education in the twenty-first century on the guiding principle of "आ नो भद्राः क्रतवो यन्तु विश्वतः" (Let noble thoughts come to us from all directions) [Rigveda 1.89.1], thereby contributing directly to transforming the country into a global knowledge superpower. NEP-2020 envisages teacher education as a profoundly enunciated field of knowledge like other skill domains in multidisciplinary perspectives grounded in Indian values, languages, knowledge, ethos, and traditions while also being well-versed in the latest advances in teaching, learning, and pedagogy. Clause 15.4 of the policy envisioned imparting teacher education as an integrated dual major holistic Bachelor's degree within composite multidisciplinary institutions. Apart from that, the gist of the NEP-2020 focuses on stimulating and facilitating collaboration and clustering between Higher Education Institutes for mutual benefits through resource sharing. Subsequently, the National Council for Teacher Education vide notification dated 04.05,2022 provisioned for collaboration between standalone government colleges conducting Bachelor of Education and nearby multidisciplinary Government Higher Education Institutions affiliated to the same university to offer Integrated Teacher Education Program. Similarly, the University Grant Commission (UGC) notified Guidelines for Transforming Higher Education Institutions (IIEIs) into

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Multidisciplinary Institutions in Sept. 2022. Also, the Dept. of Higher Education. Govt. of Haryana vide memo no. DHE-170005/5/2023-Deputy Director-NPE dated 08.06.2024 identified Teacher Education as a Key Component during the implementation of NEP-2020.

SIASTE Gurugram and GC, SECTOR-9, Gurugram are reputed HEIs having many areas of common interest and are affiliated with the same university, which may gain advantages from their pursuit on a collaborative basis in the field of academics, education. research, student/faculty exchange, resource sharing, joint courses/programs, etc.

Now, therefore, SIASTE Gurugram and GC, SECTOR-9, Gurugram have decided to enter into this Memorandum of Understanding (hereinafter referred to as MOU), which defines the framework for the cooperation of the two institutions set out in the following sections:

1. Objectives

Both institutes agreed to work in the area of Teaching / Research Collaborations and Faculty / Student Exchange for Strengthening Teacher Education as per NEP-2020 to meet the following objectives:

- (a) To develop quality in multi-disciplinary education through academics, education, research, student/faculty exchange, resource sharing, joint courses/programs, internship, etc., required for a holistic teacher education program in the light of NEP-2020.
- (b) To work in the professional area of teaching and pedagogy for school education and higher education domains by organizing joint education programs, conferences, workshops, seminars, exhibitions, and projects for short and long terms.
- (c) To offer an Integrated Teacher Education Program (ITEP) as a dual-major holistic Bachelor's degree in teacher education and extend it to a multidisciplinary environment in conformity with NEP-2020.
- (d) To establish a joint adjunct professorship and chair in the domain of teacher education, pedagogy, training, Indian Knowledge System, etc., or similar issues of contemporary importance.
- (e) To exchange, on a reciprocal basis, mutually agreed faculty, staff, and students at all levels for cultural and intellectual enrichment opportunities for staff and students of both institutes.

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- (f) To provide opportunities for the exchange of information, research, sharing laboratories, libraries, sports facilities, IT infrastructure, etc., for the mutual benefit of students.
- (g) To work on other mutually agreed projects and areas of common interest requiring training and skilling for uplifting the quality of school and higher education.

2. Nature and Provisions of Collaboration

The nature of the partnership of this MOU is a mutually beneficial exercise for the set goal of disseminating teachers' training programs within the framework of NEP-2020 and subsequent steps taken by the state government and statutory/professional bodies. The collaboration will work to materialize the universal goal of gross enrolment in teacher education and improve the quality of school education by producing skilled and future-ready teachers. Initially, the collaboration will cover conducting the Four Year Integrated Teacher Education Programme as per NEP-2020, which may be further extended for other courses/programs in the teacher education regime on mutually agreed terms. The MOU will be implemented and executed by the following committees: -

- (a) Supervisory Committee
 - (i) Director SIASTE Haryana
 - (ii) Principal, GC, SECTOR-9, Gurugram
- (b) Programme Implementation Committee
 - (i) Principal / In-charge, SIASTE Gurugram

Co-ordinator

(ii) Two faculty members nominated by Director SIASTE

Members

(ii) Two faculty members nominated by Principal, GC, SECTOR-9, Gurugram Members

The following provisions shall be applicable to the MOU: -

- (a) The essential documentation for MOU will be maintained by the Coordinator of the Programme Implementation Committee at SIASTE Gurugram.
- (b) The existing resources in both institutes will be shared for the teacher education programme conducted by SIASTE Gurugram.
- (c) All the liabilities of admissions, enrolment, and examinations of the students will lie with partner institutions, and no party will intervene in the day-to-day affairs of the other party.
- (d) The financial liability, if any, arises from the MOU shall be borne by the concerned institute as per Haryana government rules.
- (c) The expert faculty from both institutes can share the teaching workload in the relevant areas of expertise as to be decided by the Supervisory Committee. In such case, both institutes shall reciprocate an approximately equal number of teaching hours, without any extra remunerations.

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3. Validity

The Memorandum shall remain in force for a period of 3 years commencing from the effective date. Institutions may extend the term by written agreement signed by both after review.

4. Termination

Either institution may terminate the MOU by giving written notice six months in advance to the other institution. Once terminated, neither SIASTE Gurugram nor GC, SECTOR-9, Gurugram will be responsible for any losses, financial or otherwise, which the other institutions may suffer. However, both institutes will ensure that the provisions of this Memorandum shall continue to apply to all activities in progress until their completion.

5. Amendment/ Modification

This MOU may be amended or modified by a written agreement signed by the representatives of both institutes. Such amendments/modifications shall be considered part of this MOU.

6. Legal Effects/Dispute Resolution

This Memorandum is a statement of intent to foster genuine and mutually beneficial collaboration between two government institutes to effectuate the vision and best practices of NEP-2020. In case there is a dispute related to this MOU, the decision of the Director General Higher Education Haryana shall be final and abiding for both parties. No party shall move to any court of law, arbitration agency, or any grievance redressal agency without the permission of the state government.

Both SIASTE Gurugram and GC, SECTOR-9, Gurugram welcome the establishment of this MOU for cooperation and jointly agree to the provisions as set out above.

This Memorandum of Understanding has been signed by the functionaries of both institutes at Gurugram on this 18th day of February 2025.

Rakesh Kumar Sheoran

Principal (I/c)

Authorized Signatory

for Director, SIASTE, Gurugram

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