



**UNIVERSITY OF CALICUT**

**Abstract**

DoR- Signing MoU between University of Calicut and Kerala Veterinary and Animal Sciences University, Pookode, Wayanad for the establishment of International Avian Research Centre in University of Calicut, collaboration with Kerala Veterinary and Animal Sciences University -Permission granted by the Vice-Chancellor subject to ratification by the Syndicate for signing the MoU - sanctioned-Orders issued.

**Directorate of Research**

U.O.No. 9748/2019/Admn

Dated, Calicut University.P.O, 23.07.2019

- Read:-*1)Draft Memorandum of Understanding ( MoU ) proposed to be signed between University of Calicut and Kerala Veterinary & Animal Sciences University, Pookode, Wayanad.  
2)Minutes of the meeting of the Syndicate Standing Committee on Courses & Research held on 23.07.2019.  
3)Orders of the Vice-Chancellor in the file of even number dated 23.07.2019.

**ORDER**

As per reference cited as 1<sup>st</sup> above, the Registrar, Kerala Veterinary and Animal Sciences University, Pookode, Wayanad, has submitted a draft MoU to be signed between University of Calicut and Kerala Veterinary and Animal Sciences University, Pookode, Wayanad for establishing the International Avian Research Centre in University of Calicut.

Considering the matter, the Vice-Chancellor ordered to place the matter, before the Syndicate Standing Committee on Courses & Research.

The Syndicate Standing Committee on Courses & Research in its meeting held on 23.07.2019, recommended to approve the draft MoU and also recommended to establish the International Avian Research Centre in University of Calicut in collaboration with Kerala Veterinary and Animal Sciences University, Pookode, Wayanad.

After considering the exigency, the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor has accorded sanction to sign the draft MoU for the establishment of an International Avian Research Centre in University of Calicut in collaboration with Kerala Veterinary and Animal Sciences University, Pookode, Wayanad, subject to ratification by the Syndicate. The Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor has also ordered to exempt the process of legal vetting.

Orders are issued accordingly.

Dr.M. Nasser

Director of Research

To

- 1)The Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor, Kerala Veterinary and Animal Sciences University, Pookode, Wayanad.
  - 2)The Registrar, Kerala Veterinary and Animal Sciences University, Pookode, Wayanad.
- Copy to;- PS to VC / PA to Registrar / The Head, Department of Zoology, University of Calicut / Director of Entrepreneurship, Kerala Veterinary and Animal Sciences University, Pookode, Wayanad / Prof. (Dr ) G Girish Varma, Faculty Dean, College of Avian Sciences, Kerala Veterinary and Animal Sciences University, Pookode, Wayanad / Dr E M Muhammed, Assistant Professor, Department of Animal Breeding & Genetics, Kerala Veterinary and Animal Sciences University, Pookode, Wayanad / Dr Zubair Medammal, Assistant Professor, Department of Zoology, University of Calicut / SF

Forwarded / By Order

Section Officer

**Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) between  
University of Calicut, Calicut University (P.O.), Kerala, India**

**And**

**Kerala Veterinary and Animal Sciences University, Pookode, Wayanad, Kerala, India**

This Memorandum of Understanding is made between University of Calicut having its office at Tenhipalam, Malappuram (Dist.) Kerala, South India (hereinafter called UoC) of the ONE PART and the Kerala Veterinary and Animal Sciences University having its office at Pookode, Wayanad District in the state of Kerala, South India (hereinafter called KVASU) of the OTHER PART.

AND WHEREAS Avian Research (including genetics and genomics) is a core area of research particularly pertinent in the context of the recent zoonotic disease outbreaks like avian influenza and Nipah in the State. Zoology Department in the UoC has been conducting researches in avian biology, particularly focusing on raptors and other prey species, for several years. Kerala Veterinary and Animal University (KVASU) with specialties in poultry science, wildlife biology and genetics, is also engaged in advanced researches in genetics and genomics of soil, flora and fauna.

AND WHEREAS international institutions are keen in building up interdisciplinary research collaborations with UoC and KVASU, and they are interested in establishing an advanced Research Centre in Avian Biology here in a collaboration mode. In this connection, preliminary discussions have already been made between UoC and KVASU and their respective faculties had visited KVASU and interacted.

AND WHEREAS UoC is keenly interested in establishing interdisciplinary research centre "International Avian Research Centre (IARC)" in collaboration with KVASU to strengthen avian biology research, especially in the context of trans-national movement of pathogens through various biological media (such as live animals) in recent years.

AND WHEREAS both the Universities find very potentials for further more interdisciplinary research collaborations in this regard with other international reputed agencies.

AND WHEREAS a meeting was held between the UoC and KVASU on 24.06.2019 at 3.30 p.m at the Chamber of the Vice Chancellor of UoC. In the said meeting the establishment and development of the International Avian Research Centre at UoC Campus was discussed in detail and all the members attended the said meeting had highlighted the importance of such centre in collaborative mode between UoC and KVASU.

AND WHEREAS the Vice Chancellor of UoC has requested the Vice Chancellor of KVASU to consider signing a MoU for the said research collaborations to establish the "International Avian Research Centre (IARC)" and to build up interdisciplinary research collaborations in the related areas between UoC and KVASU. Hence this MOU.

**Objectives of MoU:**

1. The parties hereby agree to promote co-operation in the field of education, training research and extension thereof through:
2. Research collaboration
3. Hosting visiting students and faculty
4. Joint research in mutually interested areas
5. Joint international collaborations, conferences and other academic meetings
6. Exchange of academic materials and information
7. Joint cultural exchange projects

Details of the herein mentioned co-operation, collaboration, projects or activities shall be discussed and agreed upon in writing by the authorized personnel of the two parties prior to commencement.

**Stipulation as to Expenses:**

The Universities acknowledge that in the absence of any specific agreement to the contrary, all expenses of salary, travel, living and allied costs will be determined at the discretion and be the responsibility of the concerned University.

**Work Plan:**

UoC and KVASU may name any member of their staff to work out the practical details of co-operation between the two organizations and in general to ensure proper and effective implementation of this Memorandum of Understanding.

UoC and KVASU will co-operate in efforts to establish and conduct mutually agreed upon co-operative and collaborative projects, programmes, and / or activities, which will enhance the programmes of each. Specific details of any co-operative/ collaborative activities to be conducted, including co-operation with third parties and allocation of support and resources, shall be set forth and agreed upon in writing as a contract between parties.

**Co-operation with third parties:**

Since other Universities, institutes, centers and organizations may have capabilities and conduct activities, which will benefit and support this collaboration. UoC and KVASU may identify other co-operators for joint participation in mutually agreed upon projects.

**Reports and Publications:**

Outcome of findings covered under this MoU shall be published upon mutual agreement between both the parties. The publication will be as determined in each specific case, except in case of annual reports. In the event of the parties failing to agree on the method of publication, either party shall be entitled to publish the findings separately after submitting the proposed manuscript(s) to the other party and considering any comments and suggestions that may be offered by the latter, within a specified time limit.

**Stipulation as to legal binding:**

In the event that a dispute arises under this MoU, the party shall make every effort to resolve it themselves through discussion and negotiation. In case of failure of discussion and negotiation both the parties shall have the right to initiate appropriate legal proceedings in accordance with the current laws in the country.

**Amendments:**

The parties to this MoU may mutually agree to consent add, modify, amend or delete any words, phrases, sentences or articles in this Memorandum of Understanding.

**Financial Arrangements:**

The parties recognize that the implementation of any program will depend upon the academic interests and expertise of individual faculty members and upon the availability of financial resources. Accordingly, the implementation of each program shall be separately negotiated and determined by both universities and will proceed on mutual consensus.

**Authorized personals:**

It is mutually agreed by both the parties that the following officers will be the authorized personals for the implementation of the project

Registrar

University of Calicut

Kerala, India

Director of Entrepreneurship

Kerala Veterinary and Animal Sciences

University, Pookode, Wayanad, Kerala, India

**Liaison Officers:**

**Dr Zubair Medammal**

Assistant Professor

Department of Zoology

University of Calicut

**Prof. (Dr) G. Girish Varma, Faculty Dean**

College of Avian Sciences, Kerala Veterinary and

Animal Sciences University, Pookode, Wayanad,

Kerala, India

**Dr E M Muhammed, Assistant Professor,**

Department of Animal Breeding and Genetics,

Kerala Veterinary and Animal Sciences University,

Pookode, Wayanad, Kerala, India

**Validity and Termination:**

The parties shall co-operate under this MoU for an initial period of five years from the date of last signature, which may be extended by the mutual written consent of the parties. This MoU may be terminated by either party, which may be expressed in writing at least six months prior to the expiry date of agreement, without liability at anytime for any reason. Any modification shall require the written approval of the Registrar, University of Calicut and the Registrar, Kerala Veterinary and Animal Sciences University, or their designees.

The parties here to have mutually agreed the above terms and conditions and signed this MoU on  
this ----- day of ----- month of 2019 at -----.

**Signatures:**

Registrar

University of Calicut,

Calicut University (P.O.)

Kerala, India

Registrar

Kerala Veterinary and Animal Sciences University

Pookode, Wayanad, Kerala

The parties here to have mutually agreed the above terms and conditions and signed this MoU on this ----- day of ----- month of 2019 at -----.

**Signatures:**

Vice Chancellor

University of Calicut,

Calicut University (P.O.)

Kerala, India

Vice Chancellor

Kerala Veterinary and Animal Sciences University

Pookode, Wayanad, Kerala