

**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING
BETWEEN**



**NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY
AGARTALA**

www.nita.ac.in

AND



THINK INDIA

www.thinkindiaonline.in

THIS MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING is made and entered into at Agartala on 30th day of September 2024;

BY AND BETWEEN

National Institute of Technology, Agartala (NIT, Agartala) an educational institute having its campus at Barjala, Jirania, Agartala, Tripura 799046 through its Director Prof. S. K. Patra, hereinafter referred to as "**THE FIRST PARTY**" (which expression unless repugnant to the context shall mean and include its successors in interest, executors, administrators and permitted assigns etc.);

AND

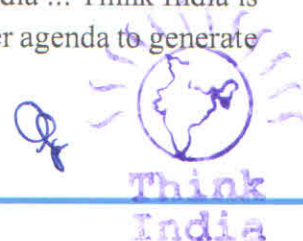
THINK INDIA, a national forum of students, alumni and faculties of premier institutes of national importance having its head office at Yuvashakti, 55, 1st Main Road, Seshadripuram Bangalore 560020 through Mr. Gaurav Mishra, Incharge, East & North East Zone, Think India, hereinafter referred to as "**THE SECOND PARTY**" (which expression unless repugnant to the context shall mean and include its successors in interest, executors, administrators and permitted assigns etc.).

WHEREAS:

1. Tripura Engineering College was established in 1965. It was under the Govt. of Tripura. In 2006, the college was given the status of National Institute of Technology (**NIT Agartala**). The Institute is fully funded by the Ministry of Human Resource Development (MHRD), Government of India.
2. NIT's vision is committed to developing highly competent young Engineers, Scientists, and Management Professionals to cater to the ever-increasing techno-managerial needs of national and international standards fulfilling professional ethics and societal commitment
3. NIT's mission is to enhance the effectiveness of technical education with innovative systems and devise a mechanism to facilitate the application of research findings to solve problems of industries/academics. To establish as the corridor of higher education for Southeast Asian countries
4. NIT's objective is to influence the technical practices of the Government and Non-Government organizations through its Undergraduate and Post Graduate teaching program for young and prospective technocrats, Training of corporate executives, Consultancy, and Research. The research programs are oriented towards developing technical systems that are most suitable in the Indian context, particularly for the North-Eastern Zone.
5. '**Think India**' was initiated in 2006 by students of IISc, IIMB & Professional Institutes of Bengaluru. The idea of Think India came into reality with the organising of the maiden Think India convention in 2007 at the Art of Living Ashram, Bengaluru. It is a national forum of students, alumni and faculties of premier institutes of national importance students, alumni and faculties from premier national institutes i.e. IITs, NITs, IIMs, IISc, National Law Universities and other such premier institutes in the various field of academia across India ... Think India is an initiative to bring the best talent from the finest institutions with a broader agenda to generate



NIT AGARTALA



ideas and views of nationalistic fervour and also to instigate young minds to shoulder their role in the nation-building process.

6. The Objectives of Think India had been spelled out in the Think India Bengaluru Declaration, adopted on the occasion of the First Think India Convention held at Art of Living ashram, Bengaluru on the 13th day of January 2007 as below; -

“Think, design and develop sustainable development strategies for underdeveloped and rural Bharat,

Think and act to meet the environmental, cultural and security needs of Bharat and the World,

Motivate and support the initiatives of the organizations and individuals to inculcate India-centric action, propagation and implementation of thought and designs,

Initiate and sustain India-centric thoughts and activities on campus and among the intelligentsia,

Denounce, in thought and action, all forms of terrorism, illegitimate interference in religious and cultural matters and any forces and design, working against our national interest,

Actively oppose any sectarian and narrow-minded activities of fissiparous tendencies and engage ourselves to promote social harmony in every possible way,

Support and uphold the concept of gender justice and promote family values, the unique contribution of Bharat to the world civilization.”

7. Since 2011, Think India organizes its flagship annual national conference. It runs a nationwide social Internship Program called '**Anubhooti**' where students from premier institutes intern in leading Sewa organizations in different parts of India. It also organizes various campus events to aware, generate and gather mandate of the intellectual student community over social, economic and political issues having national and international significance. It also organizes various other internship programs called, Vidhi, Niti etc.

8. Think India organizes various activities as below.

- Interactive groups organizing discussions or Sewa activities on campus.
- Organizing Talks on Social, Developmental and topics concerning India on campus.
- Organizing Fellowship, I Internship with Sewa organizations.
- Organizing flagship Conferences, workshops or seminars for Premier Institutes' community to share their ideas.

9. In 2017 Think India started 3 other internships program for different streams like '**Vidhi**' for Law and humanities students, '**Niti**' which is open to all and basically deals in policy formation and the last one is '**Diksha**' which is for technical students. '**Sansadiya**' for depth and a better understanding of parliamentary and constituency works. '**Shuruat**' for promoting new deals/start-ups by helping young entrepreneurs across the country.



Prof
30/1/24



This partnership is important because NIT -Agartala and Think India intend to be associated with each other and to work together to inculcate ethics & society-centric thought in students through its activities.

NOW THIS MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITNESSETH AND IT IS HEREBY MUTUALLY AGREED BY AND BETWEEN BOTH THE PARTIES AS FOLLOWS TO PROMOTE ACADEMIC AND SOCIAL EXCHANGES AND COOPERATION ON LEADERSHIP.

Despite the statements and obligations expressed herein, This Memorandum of Understanding is a non-binding expression of the current intentions of the Parties, and neither Party will incur nor be bound to any legal obligations or expense hereunder to the other Party.

10. Think India in cooperation with the NIT Agartala seeks to undertake the following events/activities: -

- a) Organize interactive group discussions or Sewa activities on campus as well as off campus.
- b) Organize debates and talks on issues of national and international importance pertaining to social, economic, and developmental concerns.
- c) To facilitate guests (real-life role models) to deliver lectures on issues concerning society at large.
- d) Organize Fellowship/Internship programs with various Sewa organizations.
- e) Organize flagship Conferences, workshops and seminars.
- f) To encourage the participation of the students and faculty members in social cum academic activities which concern today's society.
- g) To form a Study Circle to discuss the issues among students and faculties on current topics which affect society as well as to invite any eminent guest speaker.
- h) Adoption of a village near the institution to spread awareness through organizing a medical camp and adopting tree plantation activity.

11. The NIT Agartala shall make every endeavour to provide assistance, infrastructural facilities, and cooperation for the successful implementation of the events and activities and shall do the following: -

- a) Allow and permit Think India to organize events/activities on campus and off campus.
- b) Allow and permit at least two representatives of Think India to attend and participate in the seminars, conferences, debates, workshops or symposiums for free.
- c) Receive a Token of Appreciation either from NIT Agartala or the Government of India for your work in encouraging the participation of students in social activities.
- d) Grant permission(s) and provide infrastructural facilities and cooperation to Think India in organizing the events/activities on the campus.
- e) Allow, permit and encourage students and faculties to positively participate as well as take part in organizing the events I activities to be undertaken by Think India.
- f) Acknowledge Think India as a partner for any event to be organised in collaboration with the students.



30/09/21



- g) To provide us with a list of organizations, which will help us in achieving our mutual goals and objectives.
- h) NIT Agartala will register Think India as a formal society or club in their institution.

12. **Reporting:** - At least two representatives of Think India and two representative members from NIT Agartala will mutually evaluate the effectiveness and adherence to this Memorandum of Understanding.

13. **Funding:** - All the expenses to conduct the events and activities on the campus will be borne by the institute itself in coordination with Think India. All detail related to funding should be provided by both Parties after each event, to maintain transparency between the Parties

14. **Duration:** - This MOU is at-will and may be amended by mutual consent of an authorized representative of NIT Agartala and Think India. This MOU shall become effective upon signature and will remain in force until modified or terminated by both parties through written mutual consent.

“Dispute Resolution: All the disputes, if any arise between the parties of this MoU shall try to resolve by mutual discussion between the Head of the NITA and the Head of the Think India.

If the dispute cannot be resolved as stated above that dispute must be resolved under the provision of the Arbitration and Reconciliation Act and all the dispute shall be under the jurisdiction of Courts in Agartala only.

15. **Confidentiality:** - During the term of this MoU, the parties will share confidential information with each other including industry knowledge, other information confidential to the other party and other information in relation to the other party which is not available in the public domain. The parties accept that neither it nor any of its affiliates including but limited to students and shall not share any of this confidential information at any time with the third party or use this confidential information for their personal benefit at any time if found should face disciplinary action from both Party.



IN WITNESS HEREOF, this MoU is executed on the 30th day of the month of September in the year 2024 in NIT Agartala by and between Think India and National Institute of Technology Agartala and on behalf of two organisations by:

Signed by/on behalf of



Prof. Sarat Kumar Patra
Director
NIT Agartala

प्रो. सरत कुमार पात्रा
Prof. S. K. Patra
निदेशक / Director
National Institute of Technology
Agartala.



Mr. Gaurav Mishra
Incharge, East & North East Zone
Think India

IN-CHARGE
THINK INDIA EAST AND NORTH EAST ZONE

Witness

Witness

1.



DEAN (SW-2)
NIT, Agartala.

1.



STATE CONVENOR
THINK INDIA TRIPURA

2.



Dr. Manish Pal
Professor & Chairman, AA & IR
NIT Agartala.

2.



CAMPUS CONVENOR
THINK INDIA, NITA.



NIT AGARTALA

