



**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING  
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**AND**



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This Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) is executed on 24<sup>th</sup> day of Jan 2026 (hereinafter referred to as the Effective Date) between the **SHRI GURU RAM RAI UNIVERSITY, DEHRADUN, INDIA** hereinafter referred to as "SGRRU" or "First Party" and the **AEROGEL MATERIALS RESEARCH CENTRE, DEPARTMENT OF MATERIAL SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING, YONSEI UNIVERSITY, SOUTH KOREA** hereinafter referred to as "YU" OR "Second Party".

This MoU is towards recognizing the areas of mutual interest for relevant scientific, technical and social fields of education in science and technology, research, dissemination of knowledge and training to the graduate and post graduate students as well as faculty. The parties are desirous of entering into this MoU for University-University interaction to declare their respective intentions and to establish the basis of cooperation and collaboration between the parties upon the terms as contained herein.

**PREAMBLE:**

**SHRI GURU RAM RAI UNIVERSITY, DEHRADUN, INDIA** was established by a religious and philanthropic leader, Shri Mahant Devendra Dass Ji Maharaj in the year 2017. It is situated in the heart of city, Uttarakhand. We are extremely privileged to extend the values and ethos of the Shri Guru Ram Rai Education mission through SGRR University to impart quality education and in successfully placing more than 80% students in various companies across the globe. SGRR University has humongous campus spread over 80 acres of land. Its state-of-art facilities give opportunities to develop leadership skills and to achieve professional excellence. It has 10,000+ students from different countries, 29 states and Union Territories and providing cultural melange and global exposure to our students. One of the biggest boosts from University is its unmatched experience of 72 years of in delivering quality education that helps to develop confidence and will give you more knowledge, industry exposure, building good networking and high self-esteem. This will change your overall personality and develop you into a complete professional to face any challenge.

**YONSEI UNIVERSITY, SOUTH KOREA** was established in January 1957 through the union of Yonhi College. It is ranked 20<sup>th</sup> in Asia and 73<sup>th</sup> globally. The student body consists of 26,731 undergraduate students, 11,994 graduate students, 4,518 faculty members, 6,788 staff, and 257,931 alumni. Yonsei operates its main campus in Seoul and offers graduate, postgraduate and

doctoral programs in different disciplines. The university is committed to meeting the educational, social, cultural, and economic needs of the region and is dedicated to promoting and fostering a culture of high-quality teaching, learning, and research.

The First Party and the Second Party are both engaged in education, training, research, publications, seminars and overall contribution to education in the society as a whole with a view to strengthening the cause of formal, general, vocational, employment centric, technological and practical education. Both Parties believe that the collaboration and cooperation, hereinafter referred to as the MoU, between themselves will promote more effective use of each of their resources, and provide each of them with enhance opportunities. Hence, desire to sign this MoU for advancing their mutual interests.

#### **ARTICLE I: OBJECTIVES**

The objectives of the MoU are to provide higher education opportunities for students and faculty members of SGRRU, to promote institutional linkage between SGRRU and YU, and to explore other avenues for possible collaboration.

#### **ARTICLE II: SCOPE**

The MoU, which is for five years, is established to provide collaborative cooperation through:

- I. **Collaborative Research in specific fields of interest**- SGRRU and YU will jointly identify specific fields to conduct collaborative research programs of mutual interest and benefit to both institutions.
- II. **Student Exchange Programs**-Exchange programs for students will be explored and conducted accordingly which will be beneficial mutually for both parties.
- III. **Faculty Exchange Programs**-Exchange programs for faculty will be explored and conducted accordingly which will be beneficial mutually for both parties.
- IV. **Joint organization of International Conference/Seminar/Workshop**
- V. To make every effort for joint research projects and joint publications.
- VI. The terms of joint activities, arrangement for specific visit, exchange and other form of co-operation that may be agreed upon between SGRRU and YU.

#### **ARTICLE III: FINANCIAL ARRANGEMENT**

- I. Any cooperation under this MoU is subject to the availability of funding sources and approval by relevant authorities.
- II. Any specific project of joint interest will be detailed in a separate agreement, including financial and program specific arrangements.
- III. This MoU will not give rise to any financial obligation by one institution to the other.
- IV. Each institution will bear its own cost and expenses in relation to the academic activities under this MoU.

#### **ARTICLE IV: INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY**

Nothing contained in this MoU shall, by express grant, implication, Estoppels or otherwise, create in either Party any right, title, interest, or license in or to the intellectual property (including but limited to know-how, inventions, patents, copy rights and design) of the other Party.

## **ARTICLE V: NON-EXCLUSIVITY**

The relationship of the parties under this MoU shall be non-exclusive and both parties including their affiliates, subsidiaries and divisions, are free to pursue other agreements or collaborations of any kind. However, on entering into a particular agreement or understanding, the participants may agree to limit each party's rights & responsibilities.

## **ARTICLE VI: ASSIGNMENT**

It is understood by the parties herein that this MoU is based on the professional competence and expertise of each party and hence neither party shall transfer or assign this agreement, or rights or obligations arising here under either wholly or in part, to any third party.

## **ARTICLE VII: CONFIDENTIALITY**

In the event that either party wishes to disclose any data and/or information supplied in or resulted from the implementation of this MoU, the disclosing party shall have prior written consent from the other party.

## **ARTICLE VIII: SETTLEMENT OF DISPUTES**

Any dispute concerning the interpretation and/or application of this MoU shall be settled amicably through consultation or negotiation between the parties.

## **ARTICLE IX: AMENDMENT**

This MoU may be amended or revised at any time by mutual written consent of the parties, and such amendment shall form an integral part of this MoU. Such amendment or revision shall come into force on the date as may be determined by the parties.

## **ARTICLE X: FORCE MAJEURE**

Neither party shall be held responsible for non-fulfillment of their respective obligations under this MoU due to the exigency of one or more of the force majeure events such as but not limited to acts of God, War, Flood, Earthquakes, Strikes, Lockouts, Epidemics, Riots, Civil Commotions etc. provided on the occurrence and cessation of any such event the party affected thereby shall give a notice in writing to the other party within one month of such occurrence or cessation. If the force majeure conditions continue beyond six month, the parties shall jointly decide about the future course of action.

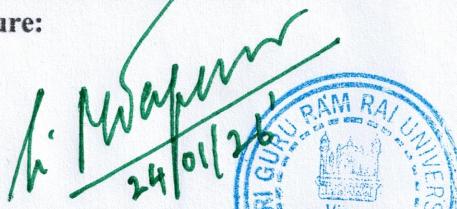
## **ARTICLE XI: VALIDITY AND RENEWAL OF THE PROGRAM**

This Memorandum shall enter into force on the date of its signing by both parties and shall take effect for a period of 5 (five) years. If this MoU is to be terminated without financial compensation or any other legal liability, a three months prior notice should be sent by one party to another party. In the case of termination of the MoU, students enrolled before the termination of the MoU would continue and retain their scholarships/privileges (whether SGRRU and/or YU award the scholarship). This MoU may be renewed by mutual written consent of both Institutions. This Memorandum of Understanding is prepared in two identical copies; each party will hold one original duly signed.

In witness whereof, the PARTIES represented by their authorized representatives, set forth their hands on this the day, month and year first stated above, agreed and accepted this MoU to be signed in the presence of the following witnesses:

**For and on behalf of SGRRU**

Signature:

  
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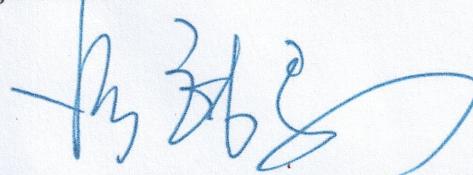

**Name:** Prof. K. Prathapan

(Vice-Chancellor)

Shri Guru Ram Rai University, Dehradun,  
India

**For and on behalf of AMRC, YU**

Signature:



**Name:** Prof. Hyung-Ho Park

(Director)

Aerogel Material Research Centre, Department  
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University, South Korea.

Signature:

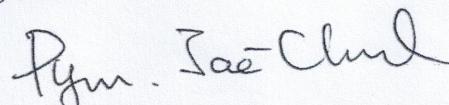
  
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**Name:** Dr. Lokesh Gambhir

(Registrar)

Shri Guru Ram Rai University, Dehradun,  
India

Signature:

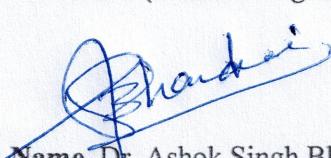


**Name:** Prof. Pyun-Jae Chul

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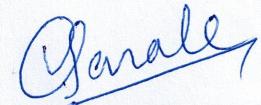
**Witnesses (Name & Signature):**



**Name:** Dr. Ashok Singh Bhandari

(Dean Research)

Shri Guru Ram Rai University, Dehradun, University, South Korea  
India



**Name:** Prof. Vinayak G. Parale

(Former Research Professor, AMRC, Yonsei