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THE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING IS SIGNED BETWEEN:

Jamia Millia Islamia (JMI), a Central University, established by an enactment of the Parliament of India, i.e., the Jamia Millia Islamia Act 1988 and is a statutory body with a perpetual succession and a common seal acting through its Registrar, Jamia Millia Islamia at Maulana Mohammad Ali Jauhar Marg, Jamia Nagar, New Delhi – 110025.

AND

The American Institute of Indian Studies (AIIS), a 65 year old consortium of 92 leading American

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Universities & Colleges in the United States of America established for the purpose of encouraging and facilitating scholarly studies in India about Indian Civilization, Culture, Languages and Social Sciences with Headquarters at D-31, Defence Colony, New Delhi – 110024.

Hereby establish a formal understanding of cooperation and friendship which is intended to further academic objectives of each institution and encourage and promote subjects of mutual interest through such activities and program as in the following areas of cooperation:

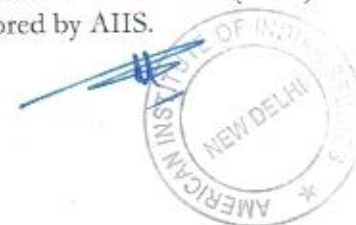
1. Participation in seminars and academic meetings.
2. Carrying out joint research activities.
3. Issuance of Certificate of Affiliation (COA) by JMI to AIIS sponsored research scholars.
4. Exchange of relevant academic materials and other information as mutually agreed upon, subject to the provisions of IPR applicable under the laws in force in India.

AIIS has been recognized and approved by the Government of India as:

- a) An Educational & Research Institution by the Ministry of Education, Government of India vide DO letter No.25-01/81-U.4 dated 27.05.1981 and also approved vide DO letter No.13-27/2016-ICC dated 05.10.2023.
- b) Not-for-profit organization by the Central Board of Direct Taxes (CBDT), Ministry of Finance under section 10 (23C)(vi) of the Income Tax Act, 1961.
- c) A Not-for-profit organization by the Central Board of Direct Taxes (CBDT), Ministry of Finance under section 80G(5) of the Income Tax Act 1961.

In order to recognize the importance of fostering academic interests and enhancing awareness and better understanding of Indian Civilization, Culture and other subjects by scholars and students outside India, JMI and AIIS have reached an understanding set-forth in this MoU. Accordingly, it is made clear that subject shall have prior written approval from the concerned Faculty member and Department/Centre through proper channel.

1. Both the JMI and AIIS, will initiate fora in which they will assist each other in developing a proper database, library and archives to assist the foreign scholars to undertake studies. The Academic exchange shall not be against Public as well as Institution Policy & shall not disturb the social, cultural fabric in sync with the Foreign Policy of India.
2. JMI shall simplify the procedure for issue of Certificate of Affiliation (COA) to scholars (already enrolled in Universities outside India) sponsored by AIIS.



3. Visa and SII Portal Compliance:

In accordance with prevailing Government of India visa regulations, all visiting research scholars/faculty (except Indian nationals) under this Memorandum of Understanding shall apply through the Study in India (SII) portal and obtain a Student ID number for visa processing. JMI shall facilitate this process by approving applications on the SII portal and uploading the requisite offer letter and/or Certificate of Affiliation (COA), as applicable.

4. The fees payable to the JMI for affiliation and uploading necessary documents on SII portal shall be paid by AIIS to JMI after the arrival of research scholars in India. The Government of India's advisories, issued by the Foreigners Regional Registration Office (FRRO) from time to time, shall be complied with by the scholars. The fee structure shall be on the following basis:
 - a. INR 25,000 per student (regular UG/ PG/ Ph.D. students in an American University) maximum up to one year. For any other period more than twelve months, scholar requires to pay for another term of same amount.
 - b. INR 35,000 per faculty member (for visiting faculty members) maximum up to one year. For any other period more than a year, they require to pay for another term of same amount.
5. Both the parties shall have rights of access, utilization and intellectual property rights to the outcome of such research findings, papers, articles, etc. whether written, printed in any magazines, books, thesis, etc or recorded on visual, audio-visual or any other medium of recording, subject to the provisions of IPR applicable under laws in force in India.
6. This MoU will come into effect from the date of signing and will be valid for a period of five years.
7. That either of the parties may at any point of time terminate this MoU by giving three months notice in writing, to the other party at the address given hereunder or any change of address intimated in writing to the other party. In case of any dispute between the parties, the courts in New Delhi shall have the exclusive jurisdiction.
8. Correspondence on e-mail address (properly intimated) may also be accepted if acknowledged by the other party. The correspondence relating to the procedures for COA and fees shall be valid, only if signed by authorized representatives from the both sides.



9. That this MoU has been signed by the Registrar on behalf of the University and by the Director General on behalf of American Institute of Indian Studies, in their ex-officio capacity, who have declared that they have the necessary authority of the organization to enter into this MoU.

Signed and delivered on this ^{7th}.....day of July, 2026 in token of acceptance of the above mentioned terms and conditions.

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Prof. Md. Mahtab Alam Rizvi
Registrar
Jamia Millia Islamia
Maulana Mohammad Ali Jauhar Marg,
Jamia Nagar, New Delhi - 110025.

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Purnima Mehta
Director General
American Institute of Indian Studies
D -31, Defence Colony,
New Delhi - 110024.

Date:

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(Naveen K. Kumar, Director, D-31
Defence Colony, N.D. 24)

(Mimi R. Kumar, Project Lead,
AIIS)