





MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MOU)

Between:

VIT-AP SCHOOL OF LAW (VSL), VIT-AP UNIVERISTY ANDHRA PRADESH

AND

HYDERABAD'S INTERNATIONL ARBITRATION ASSOCIATION (HIAA)







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AND

VIT-AP School of Law (VSL), VIT-AP University , Andhra Pradesh Representated by Prof. Dr. S.V. Kota Reddy, Vice-Chancellor

WHEREAS -

Hyderabad Arbitration Centre (HAC) is established under a not-for-profit (HIAA) to promote institutional arbitration and mediation for administering disputes under a robust set of rules. Further, HAC is also involved in promoting the use of 'Alternative Dispute Resolution' (ADR) mechanisms by collaborating with institutions / organisations which have a common objective in the field of ADR in the country.

The VIT-AP University was established in 2017 by the Andhra Pradesh Private Universities (Establishment and Regulation) Act, 2016. VIT-AP University is the first private university established in the state of Andhra Pradesh. The vision of the VIT-AP University is to transform higher education and contribute to the improvement of life itself by application of knowledge. The mission of the university is to "improve the world through transformative education and impactful research by: fostering intellectual, empowered, accountable and caring workforce; producing outstanding graduates who are knowledgeable, creative and compassionate; and impacting industry and society through innovative and collaborative work. Based on the vision and mission of the VIT-AP University, the VIT-AP School of Law (VSL) is established to impart the legal education to realise the vision and mission of the University. VSL is recognised by Bar Council of India (BCI) and offers BBA, LL. B (Hons) and BA, LL. B (Hons). Masters and Ph. D degree courses in Law. VSL is determined to provide quality legal education and to train global legal professionals in India. It is striving to establish itself as a top global law school to prepare students for future legal challenges. VIT-AP School of Law (VSL), VIT-AP University has approached HAC with an intention to collaborate for the purpose of benefitting through knowledge sharing to its students in the field of ADR.







NOW THEREFORE, HAC & VSL have agreed to enter into this MoU on the following terms:

Article I

Purpose

Through cooperation as well as resource sharing, HAC and VSL intend to do the following -

- 1. Supporting each other to grow;
- 2. Assisting each other to get more involved in ADR activities;
- Supporting each other in their respective endeavours to promote ADR nationally or internationally.
- 4. Promote each other's activities in the field of ADR.

Article II

Terms

1. Organizing of ADR Activities

HAC and VSL will actively participate in each other's online and offline activities such as ADR competition, conferences, seminars, symposiums, which are of mutual interest., while also seeking the opportunity to co-organize the above-mentioned activities and recommend those events to their respective connections.

2. Mutual Publicity

- a. HAC and VSL will endeavour to publish ADR related promotion through their respective platforms such as newsletter, social media pages, email blast, live streaming platform, and their respective univeristy webistes.
- b. HAC and VSL may publish academic articles regarding to ADR written by the other party or its members on their respective publication, subject to their own publication guidelines.

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HAC may, upon request, recommend ADR professionals or experts in relevant fields to be a speaker/judge in any ADR events organized by VSL.

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5. Miscellaneous:

- a. This MoU, as a framework agreement, will serve as a guiding document for long-term cooperation and as basis for cooperation on specific events between HAC and VSL in the future.
- b. This MoU only indicates the intention of friendly cooperation between the parties and shall not constitute legally binding obligations or commitments on HAC and VSL.
- c. HAC and VSL agree to settle the dispute arising in the process of cooperation through friendly negotiations and mediation.
- HAC and VSL will have an original copy of this MoU in their respective possession.
 Each copy has the same effect and shall come into effect upon being signed by the authorized representatives of HAC and VSL.
- 5. The scanned copy of this duly signed MoU has the same effect as the original version.

6. Duration of the MoU:

This MOU is valid for an initial period of three years from the date of execution, which may be renewable by mutual agreement six months before the expiry date of the term for another term of three years.

7. Termination of the MOU:

Should either party wish to terminate this cooperation / collaboration, it shall notify the other party at least three months in advance of the date of termination. Either party may give written notice to terminate this MOU without cause.

<<SIGNATURES PAGE FOLLOWS>>







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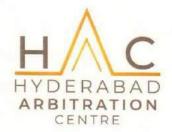
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