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MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

This memorandum of understanding (MOU) is made on the *Twenty seventh*.....day of *March*....., 2017 between Rain Forest Research Institute, an institute of the Indian Council of Forestry Research & Education (ICFRE), Dehradun, through Director, RFRI, Jorhat (hereinafter referred to as the RFRI and called the "First Party") which expression shall unless excluded by or repugnant to the context, include its successors, assigns etc. of the one part:

AND

Forest Department, Government of Manipur through *Principal Chief Conservator of Forests*,..... (hereinafter referred to as the Manipur FD and called the "Second Party") which expression shall unless excluded by or repugnant to the context, include its successors, assigns etc. of the other part:

WHEREAS the objectives of the First Party is to establish "Van Vigyan Kendra" (VVK) in each State/UT to disseminate various technologies developed by the Council and its Institutes and State Forest Departments (SFDs) to the user groups including farmers and forest based industries.

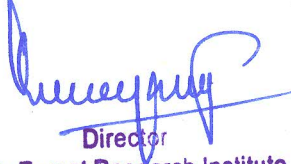
AND WHEREAS Second Party is keen to establish the Van Vigyan Kendra in its State for promotion and extension of appropriate Research by organizing training camp and demonstrations, field trails, establishment of nursery etc.

  
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**AND WHEREAS** the First Party has approached the Second Party for this purpose and Second Party has consented to provide the necessary help in establishing Van Vigyan Kendra on the following terms and conditions:

1. That the First Party will equip the **VVKs** with
  - a) Literature in the form of brochures, pamphlets, newsletters etc with a budget of Rs. 3.0 lakhs per year.
  - b) **Training/Capacity Building-** Two or more short term trainings (*Duration of total training imparted in a year will not be less than 2 weeks/as suggested by SFD commensurate with the requirement of stakeholders*) will be organized each for a group of about 20 persons including farmers from State. The purpose will be to train the stakeholders with forest related topics, skill development, capacity building, agroforestry, land use based techniques etc. This component has been provided with a budgetary support of Rs. 2.00 lakhs per year.
  - c) **Establishment of Model Nursery-** As per requirement. An amount of Rs. 7.50 Lakh has been proposed for the purpose. *First Party will provide technical guidance through experts/resource persons in RFRI etc. The necessary funds for establishment of the said nursery will be made available by the First Party in a phased manner & as per the progress of the work. The travel expenses of RFRI personnel, for this purpose will be made available from the funds allocated for Model Nursery. Detailed work plan will be jointly prepared by the SFD and First Party.*
  - d) **Maintenance of Nursery-**Rs. 1.00 Lakh per year from 2<sup>nd</sup> year
  - e) **Other extension activities including equipments-** Rs. 3.00 Lakhs is proposed for these activities. *The requirement of the equipments will be jointly worked out and the same will be made available to the SFD.*
  - f) **Contingencies/Overhead** Rs. 1.00 lakh per year
  - g) All said activities shall be subject to availability of budget and fund from ICFRE.
2. **Manipur FD** will appoint Nodal Officer to keep coordination with the **RFRI**.
3. **Manipur FD** will provide basic infrastructure for the establishment of VVK. This includes, providing of building, fixture, electric and water supply, appended land for nursery and demonstration purpose etc.

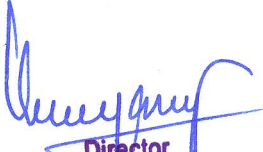
  
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4. **Manipur FD** will help in maintaining model nursery, execution of field demonstration trials and display centre.
5. Demonstration/field trials will be laid out jointly by **RFRI** and **Manipur FD**.
6. Personnel will be provided by the **Manipur FD**. Part of the expenses on personnel can be met from the financial assistance from ICFRE as mentioned in clause number 01 above, provided the personnel concerned is outsourced for specific items of work listed in clause number 01 above.
7. That the implementing authority will be **Director, RFRI**.
8. That any dispute, differences or questions which may arise between **Manipur FD** and **RFRI** will be referred to Director General, ICFRE, Dehradun who will be the sole arbitrator.
9. That all legal matters will fall under the territorial jurisdiction of Guwahati Courts.
10. That this **MOU** will be initially valid for the period of 5 years from the date of signing this **MOU**. The time period can be extended by the mutual consent of the parties.

**IN WITNESS** where of the **FIRST PARTY** and **SECOND PARTY** have put their signatures on this **MOU** on the day, month and year first above written.

**SIGNED BY**


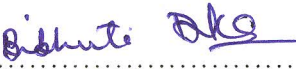
  
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**FIRST PARTY**

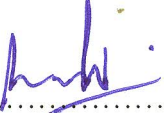
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