

**Memorandum of Understanding  
On Sports Co-Operation  
Between**

**Sports Authority of India, India**

**And**

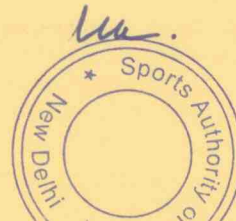
**University of Tsukuba, Japan**

The **Sports Authority of India (SAI)** established by the Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports, Government of India

And

The **University of Tsukuba** established by the Japanese Government

Hereinafter referred to as the “Parties”, building on the Memorandum of Understanding on Sports Co-operation signed by the Governments of India and Japan on 11 November, 2016 and inspired by a desire to promote and strengthen existing bilateral relations and co-operation between the two countries in the field of sports, and seeking to encourage and develop their amicable relationship through the exchange of athletes and sports personnel, and of information for the good and mutual benefit of both countries have reached the following understanding:



## Article 1

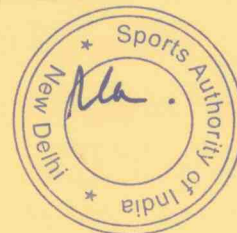
### GENERAL OBJECTIVES

1. This Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) provides the framework within which detailed programs of co-operation in the field of sports development and excellence are to be jointly considered between the Parties on the basis of reciprocity and mutual benefit. This MoU is not binding and does not create legal relations between the Parties.

## Article 2

### AREAS OF CO-OPERATION

2. In order to pursue the above objective of co-operation, the Parties will encourage and promote an exchange of programs, experiences, skills, techniques, information and knowledge which may include, but will not be limited to, the following areas of sports co-operation:
  - Olympic and Paralympic Education;
  - Exchange programs and visits by faculty, officials and sports personnel;
  - Training, exchange and attachment programs for sports science personnel and co-operation in the development of sport sciences;
  - Training, exchange and attachment programs in the areas of coach education, curriculum development, sports education, sports management and facility development and management;
  - Training, competition and attachment of athletes and teams and coaches;
  - Training, exchange of technology, infrastructure and programs for the development of information and research in the field of sports; and
  - And any other fields and subjects deemed fit.



**Article 3**  
**FORMS OF CO-OPERATION**

3. Co-operation under this MoU may include, but is not limited to the following, on a free-of-charge, cost-neutral or non-commercial basis as mutually determined by the Parties:
- Exchange of faculty and experts, staff of relevant government agencies and partners, coaches and athletes;
  - Exchange of teaching curriculum materials on sports, collaboration on curriculum development, and joint development and publication of materials;
  - Exchange of information on sports development and training systems, including information on sports education qualification and employment requirements;
  - Collaboration in the area of sports research and development; and
  - Interaction through meetings, conferences and symposia.

**Article 4**  
**FUNDING**

4. Funding arrangements for activities conducted under this MoU will be made on a case by case basis and may be on a free-of-charge, cost-neutral or non-commercial basis as mutually determined by the Parties. As a guiding principle, in the case of journeys or activities undertaken in the interests of one Party only, the costs will be met by that Party.



**Article 5**  
**IMPLEMENTATION**

- 5.1 The Parties will make arrangements for the implementation and development of specific activities under this MoU through agreements, exchanges of letters, meetings, or by other means. Each Party will be responsible for co-ordinating the implementation of its own side of such activities.
- 5.2 Such specific arrangements will cover the subjects of co-operation, procedures, treatment of intellectual property, funding and other appropriate matters.
- 5.3 Where appropriate and mutually agreed by the Parties, associates recognised by the Parties, such as universities or corporate bodies, may assume responsibility for implementing an initiative arising from this MoU. Operational arrangements that give effect to the initiatives can be negotiated with the associate, in consultation with the Parties.
- 5.4 By annual exchange of correspondence, the Parties will review the operation of this MoU.

**Article 6**  
**AMENDMENT**

6. This MoU may be amended in writing by the mutual consent of the Parties.

**Article 7**  
**SETTLEMENT OF DISPUTES**

7. Any dispute between the two Parties arising out of the interpretation or implementation of this MoU will be settled amicably by consultation or negotiation.



