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MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING Between



Uttar Pradesh Council of Agricultural Research (UPCAR),
Lucknow

Through its Director General

And



Pravriddh Foundation, Lucknow

Through its Director



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Lucknow, U.P., India

16 day of JUNE 2026

Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh


(Sanjay Singh)
Director General
U.P. Council of Agricultural Research



MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MoU)

This Memorandum of Understanding (hereinafter referred to as "MoU") is made and executed on this 16 day of JUNE 2026 at Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh.

BETWEEN

The **Uttar Pradesh Council of Agricultural Research (UPCAR)**, Lucknow, an apex state-level organization engaged in agricultural research, extension, innovation, and technology dissemination under the Government of Uttar Pradesh, having its office at Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh, through its Director General, hereinafter referred to as "UPCAR" (which expression shall unless repugnant to the context or meaning thereof include its successors and permitted assigns);

AND

Pravriddh Foundation, Lucknow, a registered non-profit organization engaged in sustainable development, climate resilience, natural resource management, livelihood promotion, environmental conservation, and community empowerment, having its registered office at 8, LDA Marketing Complex, Sector-J, Rail Nagar Road, Ashiyana Colony, Lucknow-226012, Uttar Pradesh, through its Director, hereinafter referred to as "Pravriddh Foundation" (which expression shall unless repugnant to the context or meaning thereof include its successors and permitted assigns).

UPCAR and Pravriddh Foundation are hereinafter collectively referred to as the "Parties" and individually as a "Party".

1. PREAMBLE

WHEREAS, UPCAR is actively engaged in promoting scientific agriculture, climate-resilient farming systems, sustainable agricultural technologies, water conservation measures, and farmer-oriented research initiatives in Uttar Pradesh;

AND WHEREAS, Pravriddh Foundation has been working in the field of environmental sustainability, wetland restoration, river rejuvenation, community participation, natural farming, horticulture development, and rural livelihood enhancement;

AND WHEREAS, both Parties recognize the importance of collaborative action for promoting sustainable agriculture, climate resilience, ecological restoration, and prosperity of farmers through dissemination of modern agricultural technologies and community participation;

NOW THEREFORE, the Parties hereby agree to collaborate under the terms and conditions set forth in this MoU.

2. OBJECTIVES OF THE MoU

The primary objectives of this MoU are:

1. To promote technical collaboration in the field of climate resilience building and sustainable agriculture.
2. To undertake joint initiatives related to sustainable horticulture, agro-forestry, and natural farming practices.

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3. To promote water conservation, groundwater recharge, watershed development, and efficient irrigation practices.
4. To collaborate for restoration and conservation of wetlands, lakes, ponds, rivers, and associated ecosystems.
5. To support river rejuvenation activities through scientific and community-based approaches.
6. To disseminate updated agricultural technologies and scientific knowledge among farmers for increasing productivity, sustainability, and income.
7. To organize awareness programmes, trainings, workshops, seminars, field demonstrations, exposure visits, and capacity-building programmes for farmers, rural youth, women, and stakeholders.
8. To promote climate-smart agriculture and adaptation measures for minimizing the adverse impacts of climate change.
9. To facilitate convergence with Government schemes, CSR initiatives, research institutions, universities, and developmental agencies.
10. To strengthen community participation and institution-building for sustainable natural resource management.

3. AREAS OF COLLABORATION

The collaboration between the Parties may include, but shall not be limited to, the following areas:

- Climate-resilient agriculture and sustainable farming systems.
- Promotion of natural farming and organic agriculture.
- Soil health management and integrated nutrient management.
- Sustainable horticulture and medicinal plant cultivation.
- Bamboo, agroforestry, and carbon sequestration initiatives.
- Water harvesting, watershed management, and irrigation efficiency.
- Wetland restoration and biodiversity conservation.
- River rejuvenation and catchment area treatment.
- Farmer training and agricultural extension activities.
- Promotion of updated agricultural technologies and digital agriculture.
- Research, documentation, surveys, GIS mapping, and preparation of DPRs.
- Livelihood promotion and farmer producer organization (FPO) strengthening.
- Pilot projects, demonstrations, and model village development.

4. RESPONSIBILITIES OF UPCAR

UPCAR shall:

1. Provide technical guidance and scientific support in agriculture, horticulture, natural farming, water conservation, and environmental restoration.
2. Facilitate access to research findings, improved technologies, and technical expertise.
3. Support training programmes, workshops, and farmer awareness activities through its scientists and experts.
4. Assist in preparation of technical reports, project proposals, DPRs, and policy recommendations.
5. Coordinate with agricultural universities, Krishi Vigyan Kendras (KVKs), and line departments for implementation of collaborative activities.
6. Encourage dissemination of climate-smart agricultural practices among farming communities.

5. RESPONSIBILITIES OF PRAVRIDDH FOUNDATION

Pravriddh Foundation shall:

1. Mobilize community participation and grassroots institutions for implementation of collaborative programmes.
2. Facilitate field-level execution of activities and coordination with local stakeholders.

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3. Organize farmer groups, self-help groups, FPOs, and village institutions for awareness and adoption of technologies.
4. Assist in conducting surveys, demonstrations, campaigns, and field activities.
5. Mobilize financial resources through CSR agencies, donor organizations, Government schemes, and development programmes.
6. Ensure proper documentation, monitoring, and reporting of collaborative activities.

6. IMPLEMENTATION MECHANISM

1. Both Parties may jointly prepare annual action plans for implementation of collaborative activities.
2. Specific projects or programmes may be undertaken through mutually agreed project proposals and separate work orders, wherever necessary.
3. A Joint Coordination Committee (JCC) comprising representatives from both Parties may be constituted for planning, monitoring, and review of activities.
4. Meetings of the JCC may be held periodically as mutually decided.

7. FINANCIAL ARRANGEMENTS

1. This MoU does not involve any direct financial commitment by either Party unless separately agreed in writing.
2. Funding for specific projects may be mobilized jointly from Government departments, CSR agencies, national and international funding organizations, and developmental institutions.
3. Financial arrangements for individual projects shall be governed through separate agreements or project documents.

8. INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY RIGHTS

Any publication, report, training material, data, or intellectual property generated jointly under this collaboration shall acknowledge both Parties appropriately. Specific intellectual property rights, if any, shall be decided mutually on a case-to-case basis.

9. CONFIDENTIALITY

Both Parties agree to maintain confidentiality regarding any sensitive information, technical documents, or data shared during the course of collaboration unless disclosure is required by law or mutually agreed upon.

10. VALIDITY AND TERMINATION

1. This MoU shall remain valid for a period of five (05) years from the date of signing unless extended by mutual consent.
2. Either Party may terminate this MoU by giving three months' written notice to the other Party.
3. Termination of the MoU shall not affect ongoing activities or projects already undertaken jointly unless otherwise decided mutually.

11. DISPUTE RESOLUTION

Any dispute arising out of this MoU shall be resolved amicably through mutual consultation and discussion between the Parties. The decision arrived at mutually shall be final and binding.

12. AMENDMENT

Any amendment or modification to this MoU shall be made in writing with mutual consent of both Parties.

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13. NON-BINDING NATURE

This MoU represents the intent of collaboration between the Parties and does not create any legally enforceable financial obligations unless separately agreed through specific agreements.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF

The Parties hereto have signed this Memorandum of Understanding on the date, month, and year first above written.

For Uttar Pradesh Council of Agricultural
Research (UPCAR), Lucknow

Signature: _____

Name: (Sanjay Singh)
Designation: Director General
U.P. Council of Agricultural Research
Lucknow

Date: 16.6.2026

Seal: _____

For Pravridh Foundation, Lucknow

Signature: _____

Name: P. S. O)HA
Designation: Director

Date: 16/6/2026

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