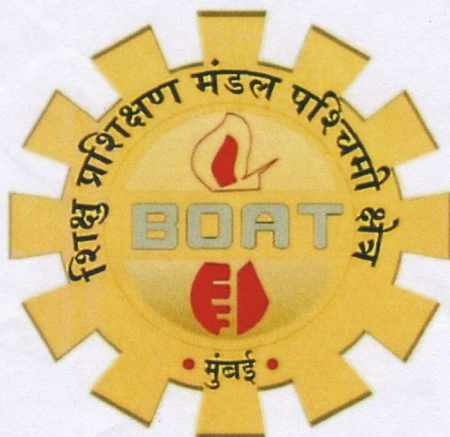


MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MOU)

BETWEEN



**BOARD OF APPRENTICESHIP TRAINING (WESTERN REGION),
MUMBAI**

An autonomous body of Ministry of Education, Government of India

&



MATS UNIVERSITY

for

**Implementation of Apprenticeship Embedded Degree Programme (AEDP)
under National Apprenticeship Training Scheme (NATS) of Ministry of
Education, Government of India.**





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This Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) entered on the day 11th of the Month of March in the year 2025 at Raipur (C.G)

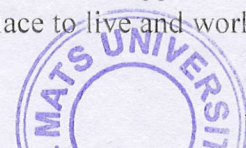
BOARD OF APPRENTICESHIP TRAINING (WESTERN REGION), MUMBAI [BOAT (WR)], an autonomous body of Ministry of Education, Department of Higher Education, Government of India and MATS University enter into this understanding that industrial training component of minimum 6 months to a maximum of 1 year integrated in the final year of Apprenticeship Embedded Technical as well as Non-Technical Graduate, and Diploma courses may be covered under National Apprenticeship Training Scheme (NATS) with stipendiary coverage at a rate as prescribed by the Government of India, NATS, in line with the Office Memorandum No.16-20/2024-TS.VII dated 08/10/2024 (Attached as Annexure I) received from the Ministry of Education, Government of India.

1. About BOAT(WR)

- 1.1. Established in 1968, Board of Apprenticeship Training (Western Region), Mumbai, is an autonomous organization under the Department of Higher Education Ministry of Education, Department of Higher Education, and Government of India.
- 1.2. The Board is functioning at 2nd floor, New Administrative Building, NSTI Campus, V.N. Purav Marg, Sion (East), Mumbai- 400 022.
- 1.3. The major function of the Board is to implement and monitor the provisions of The Apprentices Act 1961, as amended in 1973 and 2014, so far as they relate to the training of Graduates, and Diploma holders in Technical as well as General streams in exercise of powers conferred to the Board under Section 23 of the said Act.

2. About University

MATS University (Mahaveer Academy of Technology and Science University) (hereinafter referred to as **MATS**). MATS is a private university located in Raipur, Chhattisgarh, India. It was established by Chhattisgarh Private University Act under Section 2(f) of UGC Act 1956. MATS University being the first private university in Chhattisgarh accredited A+ by National Assessment and Accreditation Council (NAAC). MATS as an ambassador to be a Global University, known for quality academic programs and outstanding faculty, products and services to students and clients independent of place and time constraint. MATS University will be a benchmark institution for lifelong partnerships with students, the workforce, and public and private enterprises. Building on its proud tradition, MATS University will extend educational opportunity to those who will make our State (Chhattisgarh), our nation, and global society a better place to live and work.





3. Definitions

- 3.1. "AICTE" shall mean the All-India Council for Technical Education;
- 3.2. "Apprenticeship Embedded Degree Program (AEDP)" shall mean a programme enabling a student admitted to an undergraduate programme of the Higher Educational Institution, recognized as per The UGC Act, 1956, to pursue apprenticeship training as an integrated component of the degree programme in compliance with these guidelines. The said AEDP programme shall adhere to all the guidelines published by University Grants Commission (UGC) and/or All-India Council of Technical Education (AICTE) from time to time as applicable to the programme.
- 3.3. "Board" shall mean BOARD OF APPRENTICESHIP TRAINING (WESTERN REGION), MUMBAI [BOAT (WR)] which is an autonomous body of Department of Higher Education, Ministry of Education, Government of India.
- 3.4. "University shall mean MATS University.
- 3.5. "National Apprenticeship Training Scheme (NATS)" shall mean the flagship programmes of Government of India for Skilling Indian Youth in Trade disciplines. NATS under the provisions of The Apprentices Act, 1961 and The Apprenticeship Rules, 1992, both as amended from time to time till date; offers Graduate, and Diploma holders; a practical, 'hands-on' 'On-the-Job-Training (OJT)' based skilling opportunities for a duration of one year for Technical courses, and six months to three years for Non-Technical courses.
- 3.6. "NATS 2.0 Portal" shall mean the national portal for NATS having the URL <https://nats.education.gov.in>;
- 3.7. "UGC" shall mean the University Grants Commission.

4. Background

- 4.1. New Education Policy, 2020, emphasizes to bridge Education-Employability gap among students. Apprenticeship is tried and tested model to improve employability of students.
- 4.2. In accordance with that, UGC has issued revised Guidelines for Higher Educational Institutions (HEIs) to offer Apprenticeship Embedded Degree Program (AEDP) in 2024, under which HEIs are required to offer Apprenticeship Embedded Degree Program (AEDP) at undergraduate level with a mechanism of industry-academia linkages and outcome-based learning of students.
- 4.3. Additionally, AICTE has issued Guidelines on Apprenticeship Embedded Degree/ Diploma Programme for Technical education (AEDP-TI) to facilitate the same in Technical Institutes.
- 4.4. The objectives of the AEDP are as follows:
 - 4.1.1 To enhance the employability of students pursuing undergraduate level degree programmes.
 - 4.1.2 To focus on outcome-based learning in all degree programmes to achieve graduate attributes and desired proficiency levels.
 - 4.1.3 To promote active linkage between HEIs and industries/establishments.
 - 4.1.4 To bridge the skill gap identified by industries.





5. Purpose of the MoU

- 5.1. The specific purpose of this MoU is to establish a relationship and cooperation between the Board and the University / Higher Educational Institute to ensure that the industrial training component of the final year degree and diploma programme is covered under NATS. NATS is governed under the provisions of The Apprentices Act, 1961, and The Apprenticeship Rules, 1992 as amended thereafter.

6. Applicability of the MoU

- 6.1. The MoU shall be applicable only for the AEDP courses recognized as per The UGC Act, 1956, to pursue apprenticeship training as an integrated component of the degree programme in compliance with these guidelines. The said AEDP programme shall adhere to all the guidelines published by University Grants Commission (UGC) and/or All-India Council of Technical Education (AICTE) from time to time as applicable to the programme.
- 6.2. All the provision (s) of The Apprentices Act 1961, and The Apprenticeship Rules 1992, as amended from time to time shall supersede all or any clause of this MoU in case it is found conflicting in nature.

7. Period of MoU


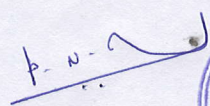
- 7.1. This agreement will come into effect from the date of signature by both parties and will be valid for an initial period of five years, however, will be reviewed at every academic year end.
- 7.2. The agreement will be automatically renewed thereafter, unless terminated or replaced with a new agreement.
- 7.3. The agreement may be modified or terminated by one month written notice to the other party.

8. Roles and Responsibilities of the Board

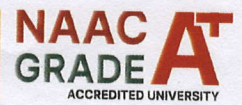
- 8.1. The Board in consultation shall extend the coverage of NATS to the industrial training component of minimum 6 months and maximum of 1 year period of the final year students enrolled in AEDP Degree and Diploma programmes of the Institution.
- 8.2. Organise workshops / seminar / meetings with establishments / industries and industry associations with support of University / HEIs to promote Apprenticeship Training under NATS and AEDP.
- 8.3. The Board shall be responsible for issuance of 'Certificate of Proficiency (CoP)' through NATS 2.0 portal subject to the training establishment uploading all requisite information for generation of such Certificates.
- 8.4. The financial support of Government share of stipend to student will be available only while undergoing Apprenticeship Training component in final year of undergraduate level programme.

9. Roles and Responsibilities of the University / Higher Education Institute (HEI)

- 9.1. The University/ HEI shall enroll the eligible students on the NATS 2.0 portal (www.nats.education.gov.in) for apprenticeship of minimum 6 months to a maximum of 1 year integrated in the final year of Apprenticeship Embedded Graduate (Technical/Non-Technical) and Diploma (Technical/Non-Technical) courses that can be covered under National Apprenticeship Training Scheme (List of courses with name of programs with the intake capacity, and the necessary approvals from University/ AICTE/ UGC are attached as Annexures).





- 9.2. The University / HEI may seek support of the nearest Common Service Centre (CSC) for the enrollment of students on the NATS 2.0 portal.
- 9.3. The Institution shall supply the information to the students that the said AEDP courses may be considered to be equivalent to the Sandwich courses as defined in The Apprentices Act, 1961, and The Apprenticeship Rules, 1992, both amended from time to time. The apprentices of such degree and diploma courses shall be termed as "Graduate Apprentice (Sandwich Courses)", and "Technician Apprentice (Sandwich Courses)" respectively.
- 9.4. The University / HEI is required to engage the students, especially of final year, to enable the above in experiencing and implementing NATS to the fullest and shall hold possession of MOUs with different industry units for placement of the eligible students within the prescribed time limit.
- 9.5. The University / HEI shall collaborate with the nearby industries/ establishments for providing industrial training to their students by directing all such industries / establishments to enroll on the NATS 2.0 portal, for including industrial training under NATS and providing stipendiary support to the apprentices under intimation to BOAT (WR).
- 9.6. The University / HEI shall ensure that once all the eligible students are enrolled on NATS 2.0 portal, they are directed to join the concerned establishment for undergoing apprenticeship training for the period as demanded in the course curriculum, minimum of which shall not be less than six months and maximum shall not be more than one year.
- 9.7. The University / HEI shall ensure that all such students execute the Contract of Apprenticeship through the NATS 2.0 portal with the training establishment immediately after joining of the apprentices.
- 9.8. The University / HEI shall ensure that stipendiary provisions as per Rule 11 of The Apprenticeship Rules, 1992 as amended time to time, is payable to the apprentices by the concerned training establishment. The Central Government share of stipend up to 50% of the minimum prescribed rate shall be paid directly to the Apprentices through Direct Benefit Transfer (DBT) mechanism of NATS 2.0 portal.
- 9.9. The University / HEI shall include a digital banner/ poster about NATS and a redirecting link on the landing page of their official website, which will lead to NATS 2.0 portal.
- 9.10. The University / HEI may include Apprenticeship Training placements as part of their Placement Cell processes.
- 9.11. The University / HEI may integrate concepts from the industry training in their course curriculum, as relevant and in consultation with the establishments.
- 9.12. Industry assessments may be included as a part of the University / HEI's grading criteria for the apprentice to increase effectiveness of the apprenticeship training.
- 9.13. The University / HEI and Board may import new-age skills under NATS viz. AI, ML, IoT, Blockchain, and more to make the youth aware of and immersed in these skills.
- 9.14. The University / HEI may establish NATS Facilitation Centers in their campus, which help in the facilitation of NATS awareness, NATS 2.0 portal registrations, issue resolution, and more so that more aspirants will enroll for AEDP courses.
- 9.15. The University / HEI is expected to keep a record of the final placements of NATS apprentices after their course completion and share the same with the Board.
- 9.16. The University / HEI shall facilitate establishing of an Apprenticeship Alumni Connect to further students' interest and awareness of NATS.
- 9.17. The University / HEI shall coordinate and facilitate with the concerned establishments for the smooth and successful completion of the apprenticeship training in accordance with the guidelines published by





University Grants Commission (UGC) and/or All-India Council of Technical Education (AICTE) from time to time as applicable to the programme as well as all the provision(s) of The Apprentices Act, 1961, and The Apprenticeship Rules, 1992, as amended from time to time.

9.18. The institute shall mandatorily submit a list of all the programmes covered under AEDP in the prescribed format and nomenclature for onward submission to the NATS 2.0 Portal team so that the courses could be listed on the NATS 2.0 Portal and made available for the students for selection during their enrollment process.

10. Notices

10.1. Any notice or other communication under this MoU shall be given in writing and delivered by hand, sent by post, facsimiled transmission, or e-mail.

11. Amendment

11.1. This MoU may be amended on consent of both the parties to align with the Guidelines published by University Grants Commission (UGC) and/or All-India Council of Technical Education (AICTE), from time to time as applicable to the programme.

11.2. This MoU may be amended on consent of both the parties to align with the provision(s) of The Apprentices Act, 1961, and The Apprenticeship Rules, 1992, as amended from time to time.

11.3. This MoU may be amended on consent of both the parties to align with the provision(s) and directions of the Ministry of Education, as issued from time to time.

12. Force Majeure

12.1. Neither party shall be liable to the other for failure or delay in the performance of any of its obligations under this MoU for the time and to the extent such failure or delay is caused due to acts of God, natural disaster, fire, floods, explosions or earthquake, epidemic or quarantine restrictions, serious accidents, war, insurrection or riots, strikes, legal necessity or labour troubles, or any other cause beyond the party's reasonable control, provided that sufficient notice of such occurrence of force majeure is communicated to the other party.

13. Signatures

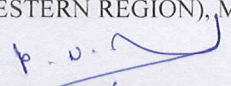
13.1. This MoU constitutes in principle to proceed and work out more detailed modalities to operationalize the same between the parties. No amendments consent or waiver of terms of this MoU shall bind either party unless in writing or signed by both parties.


Signed on behalf of

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MATS UNIVERSITY


Shri. P. N. Jumle,


Mr. Gokulananda Panda

Director, BOAT(WR), Mumbai

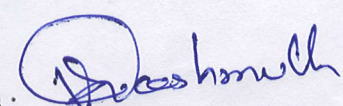
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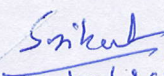
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APPROVAL PROCESS 2024-25

Extension of Approval (EoA)

F.No. Central/1-43665692383/2024/EOA

Date of Approval: 19-May-2024

To,

The Commissioner cum principal Secretary,
Higher Education,
D. K. S. Bhawan Mantralaya,
Room No. 266, Raipur-492001 Chhattisgarh

Sub: Extension of Approval for the Academic Year 2024-25

Ref: Online application of the Institution submitted for Extension of Approval for the Academic Year 2024-25

Sir/Madam,

In terms of the provisions under the All India Council for Technical Education (Grant of Approvals for Technical Education), Powers delegated in AICTE ACT 1987, (No 52 of 1987) chapter II - u/s 2(g) to regulate Technical and subsequent Regulations of AICTE, I am directed to convey the approval to:

Permanent Id	1-14610587	Application Id	1-43665692383
Name of the Institution	SCHOOL OF ENGINEERING AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY	Name of the Society/Trust	SHRI BHAGWAN MAHAVIR JAIN EDUCATIONAL & CULTURAL SOCIETY RAIPUR
Institution Address	GULLU, AARANG-KHARORA HIGHWAY, AARANG, RAIPUR CHHATTISGARH 493441, RAIPUR, RAIPUR, Chhattisgarh, 493441	Society/Trust Address	GULLU, AARANG-KHARORA HIGHWAY, AARANG, RAIPUR CHHATTISGARH, RAIPUR/GULLU, RAIPUR, Chhattisgarh, 493441
Institution Type	State Private University	Region	Central
Year of Establishment	2008		

To conduct following Programs/Courses with the Intake indicated below for the Academic Year 2024-25

Level	Program	Course	Affiliating Body (University /Body)	Intake Approved for 2023-24	Intake Approved for 2024-25	NRI Approval Status	FN / Gulf quota/ OCI/ Approval Status
DIPLOMA	ENGINEERING AND TECHNOLOGY	CIVIL ENGINEERING	NOT APPLICABLE	60	60	No	No
DIPLOMA	ENGINEERING AND TECHNOLOGY	MECHANICAL ENGINEERING	NOT APPLICABLE	60	60	No	No

Level	Program	Course	Affiliating Body (University /Body)	Intake Approved for 2023-24	Intake Approved for 2024-25	NRI Approval Status	FN / Gulf quota/ OCI/ Approval Status
UNDER GRADUATE	ENGINEERI NG AND TECHNOLO GY	AERONAUTICAL ENGINEERING	NOT APPLICABLE	30	30	No	No
UNDER GRADUATE	ENGINEERI NG AND TECHNOLO GY	CIVIL ENGINEERING	NOT APPLICABLE	60	60	No	No
UNDER GRADUATE	ENGINEERI NG AND TECHNOLO GY	COMPUTER SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING	NOT APPLICABLE	30	30	No	No
UNDER GRADUATE	ENGINEERI NG AND TECHNOLO GY	MECHANICAL ENGINEERING	NOT APPLICABLE	60	30	No	No
UNDER GRADUATE	ENGINEERI NG AND TECHNOLO GY	MINING ENGINEERING	NOT APPLICABLE	30	30	No	No
POST GRADUATE	ENGINEERI NG AND TECHNOLO GY	POWER ELECTRONICS	NOT APPLICABLE	18	18	No	No
POST GRADUATE	ENGINEERI NG AND TECHNOLO GY	COMPUTER SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING	NOT APPLICABLE	18	18	No	No
POST GRADUATE	ENGINEERI NG AND TECHNOLO GY	TURBO MACHINERY	NOT APPLICABLE	18	18	No	No
POST GRADUATE	COMPUTE R APPLICATI ONS	MASTER OF COMPUTER APPLICATIONS	NOT APPLICABLE	60	60	No	No
POST GRADUATE	ENGINEERI NG AND TECHNOLO GY	CIVIL ENGINEERING (COMPUTER AIDED STRUCTURAL ENGINEERING)	NOT APPLICABLE	18	18	No	No

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POST GRADUATE	MANAGEM ENT	MBA	NOT APPLICABLE	120	120	No	No

All AICTE approved Institutions are empowered to nurture ecosystems for Skilling (through Vocational courses) via making effective use of existing infrastructure facilities and human resources.

It is mandatory to comply with all the essential requirements as given in APH 2024-25 to 2027 (Chapter-VI)

Important Instructions

1. As per mandatory Disclosure of APH 2024-27(Annexure-18, page180) Institutions must disclose the following information submitted to Council at the Prominent location on its website.
 - i. Department wise availability of Infrastructure along with approved courses and intake approved by the Council.
 - ii. Faculty details: Department wise: Name& Designation of the faculty members/teaching staff along with their qualification, tenure of service in your organization, total experience, Institution should also disclose Student Faculty Ratio, Cadre Ratio.
 - iii. Additionally Audited Financial Statements for last 3 Financial years.
2. Reservation Policy of the Central Government (Including EWS) / Respective State Government/ UT as the case shall be applicable to all the Programmes. The concerned State Government/ UT Admission authority shall decide Modalities of Admission.
3. The Institution offering courses earlier in the Regular Shift, First Shift, Second Shift/Part Time are now amalgamated as total intake and shall have to fulfil all facilities such as Infrastructure, Faculty and other requirements as per the norms specified in the Approval Process Handbook 2024-25 to 2027 for the Total Approved Intake.
4. In case of any differences in content in this Computer generated Extension of Approval Letter, the content/information as approved by the **Executive Council / General Council as available on the record of AICTE shall be final and binding.**
5. All AICTE institutions are highly encouraged to get NBA/NAAC accreditation. All eligible AICTE institutions are thoroughly encouraged to participate in NIRF ranking process.
6. Deemed to be University: Institutions Deemed to be Universities (Running Technical Education Programmes), it is mandatory to have AICTE approval from the Academic Year 2018-19 in compliance of the Hon'ble Supreme Court Order dated 03-11-2017 passed in CA No.17869- 17870 /2017.
7. AICTE Approved Institutes are encouraged to utilize SWAYAM PLUS Courses up-to 40%
8. Internship is mandatory for all admitted students.
9. AICTE Approved Institutes are encouraged to make efficient use of the flagship schemes like:
 - a. Parakh: Student Gap analysis portal bases services.
 - b. Students Scholarship schemes like Pragati, Saksham, Swanath, ADF, etc.
 - c. Course in Indian Languages.
 - d. ATAL FDPs: Faculty training for Emerging areas and cutting edge Technologies.
 - e. Augmenting Utilization of Research Assets (AURA).
 - f. Smart India Hackathon: World's largest Open Innovation Platform.

Prof.Rajive Kumar
Member Secretary, AICTE

Copy to:

1. **The Director Of Technical Education**, Chhattisgarh**
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5. **Guard File(AICTE)**

Note: Validity of the Course details may be verified at <http://www.aicte-india.org/>

** Individual Approval letter copy will not be communicated through Post/Email. However, a consolidated list of Approved Institutions(bulk) may be downloaded from the respective login id's.

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