



**Memorandum of Understanding
made on 16.05.2024 between
Gobindgarh Public College, Alour-Khanna
and
National EduTrust of India**

This Memorandum of Understanding is entered on the 16.05.2024 between **National EduTrust of India (NEI)** and **Gobindgarh Public College, Alour-Khanna** for promoting affirmative action based environment education with the aspects of engagement with educational institutions across India involving faculty and students of the Education Institutions who will receive mentoring support from NEI for leadership roles in pursuing the action research into the aspects of Entrepreneurship, Community Engagement, Climate Change, Environment Education and Circular Economy.

National EduTrust of India, an innovative organization established in 2024 and registered under the Ministry of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSME) of the Government of India. Our commitment lies in enhancing education and fostering sustainable development throughout the nation. At National EduTrust of India, our primary mission is to empower Higher Educational Institutions (HEIs), schools, and educational stakeholders through a comprehensive approach. We engage in outreach activities, collaborative research endeavors, skill enhancement courses, and strategic partnerships to uplift the educational landscape and contribute to broader societal progress. Our initiatives include facilitating knowledge exchange, promoting collaborative research, offering skill enhancement courses, forging alliances through Memorandums of Understanding, instituting Environment Awards, conducting Faculty Development Programmes, and advancing Sustainable Development Goals. We believe that by championing these initiatives, we can significantly contribute to the holistic development of individuals, institutions, and communities. We eagerly seek collaborations and partnerships that resonate with our mission and vision.

Gobindgarh Public College, Alour (Khanna) an institute of higher learning, is established by Gobindgarh Educational and Social Welfare Trust, Mandi Gobindgarh & affiliated to Panjab University Chandigarh to impart quality education and brace the youth with empirical knowledge to cope up the challenges of the world. The trust members belong to various walks of life viz. industry, administration, philanthropy, entrepreneurship, engineering having a zealous spirit. The long cherished dream of the trust was fulfilled on September 29, 2003, when the new campus building of Gobindgarh Public College, Alour (affiliated to Panjab

University, Chandigarh) was inaugurated by Hon'ble Dr. K.N Pathak, the former Vice Chancellor of Panjab University on the Silver Jubilee Foundation Day of the trust. It was the day when Gobindgarh Education and social Welfare Trust came into being 25 year ago. The college has always participated and received accolades in the extension activities organized by the government and government recognized bodies. To name a few awards, the college received District Green Champion Award, A+ Ranking in Phase I of NRISG, Certificate of Appreciation for Video on "Karigari & Karobari Entrepreneurship and Award for organizing District Level Workshop from Mahatma Gandhi National Council of Rural Education, Department of Higher Education, Ministry of Education, India. It was awarded Best NSS Unit Award from Panjab University Chandigarh out of

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140 colleges from the Punjab State. It has active IQAC, Research and Development, MGNCRE, DAPO Unit, Sports, Placement and Vocational Guidance Cell.

This MoU is to build a National Environment Education Academic Network and student entrepreneurs network which will initiate action research for and on environment education through academic institutions involved in research, education, training, and extension.

Through this MOU, NEI intends capacity building of the academic community in Entrepreneurship. NEI wishes to academically support the **EcoAction Center** in Educational Institutions, set up by them in their institution premises. The **EcoAction Center** will be expected to conduct the following activities:

- **Academic Skills Courses on Entrepreneurship, Community Engagement, Climate Change, Environment Education and Circular Economy:** Curriculum for New Academic Courses is being developed as part of the emerging and impending community needs are being promoted across the country. These Courses are offered in association with the practitioners in the field.
- **Academic Action Research on Entrepreneurship, Community Engagement, Climate Change, Environment Education and Circular Economy:** Growth of the contribution of the Academic Community depends on Action Research with field engagement. Such a field engagement requires institutional connect with the practitioners. NEI intends to promote such a connect and promotes action research in this area. The outputs of this action research will feed into the Courses offered.
- **Academic Capacity Building on Entrepreneurship, Community Engagement, Climate Change, Environment Education and Circular Economy:** There is a felt need to build the capacity building of the faculty of institutions to initiate the practice of Entrepreneurship through academic courses. Faculty Development is key for such an exercise. NEI strives to design and deliver Faculty Development Programmes on Entrepreneurship, Community Engagement, Climate Change, Environment Education and Circular Economy.
- **Academic Extension Services in Entrepreneurship, Community Engagement, Climate Change, Environment Education, and Circular Economy:** Entrepreneurship is presently mostly devoid of any input from the academic community to handle its operational and substantive aspects. NEI takes it as calling to promote consultancy services to the Enterprises handling Environmental Action

Expectations from the Gobindgarh Public College, Alour (Khanna)

- Sharing academic expertise in promoting Climate Education, Environment Education and Circular Economy
- Capacity building inputs
- Joint academic publications, academic research and academic consultancy services
- Joint certification of any academic activity designed together or with consultation

Expectations from National EduTrust of India (NEI):

- Design, provide and promote execution plan for EcoAction Center and their activities in the education institutions across the country
- Communicate with the college on opportunities that are relevant to the EcoAction Center
- Coordinate with the college for successfully conducting EcoAction Center activities with the involvement of relevant and prominent resource persons
- Joint academic publications, academic research, academic consultancy services
- Joint Certification of faculty members involved in the EcoAction Center activities

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Note:

1. The MoU is valid for two years from the date of execution and may be renewed for any other period as shall be mutually agreed to between the parties.
2. If either Party does not wish to continue this MoU, then such Party shall provide the other Party with its intention to terminate this MoU by giving 2 (two) months' notice in writing.

Signature and designation



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**Dr. Neena SethPajni
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**Director
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