

## MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

Between



Prasanta Chandra Mahalanobis Mahavidyalaya

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And



Bohooghly Fishermens' Cooperative Society Ltd

(A Govt of West Bengal Partnered Society)

Registered No: 326/24 Parganas (N)1974

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THIS MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (the "MOU") is entered on **03.01.2023**  
Between Prasanta Chandra Mahalanobis Mahavidyalaya and Bohooghly Fishermens  
Cooperative Society LTD

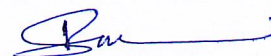
### BACKGROUND OF PARTIES

PRASANTA CHANDRA MAHALANOBIS MAHAVIDYALAYA, BARANAGAR (formerly Bon-Hooghly College of Commerce) was established in 1965 as an evening Commerce College affiliated to the University of Calcutta. The idea of an evening Commerce College, a dream of many educated people of the Baranagar-Kamarhati area, became reality through the untiring efforts of a few educationists and persons interested in education and social development. Public donations and charities on the one hand and voluntary services rendered by teachers of the college on the other were the driving force for the college to go ahead and grow. The area where the college is situated, though adjacent to Kolkata, is a part of the greater Baranagar-Kamarhati Industrial Belt of West Bengal. The area has also the highest concentration of uprooted (refugees) people of which a sizable number belong to the Scheduled Castes community.

From the academic session 2003-04 we introduced faculties in arts and science by opening Honours courses in Geography (self financing) along with general subjects like Sociology and Education. Honours courses were introduced in Sociology and Education the following year. This situation called for changing the name of the college as it was no longer just a commerce college. So to pay tribute to Prof. P. C. Mahalanobis, the great pioneer statistician and founder of Indian Statistical Institute, our college was renamed Prasanta Chandra Mahalanobis Mahavidyalaya. Gradually Honours courses were opened in Mathematics, Economics, Bengali, English, Philosophy and Food & Nutrition. Chemistry and Computer Science were also introduced as general subjects to offer the students a better combination. Prasanta Chandra Mahalanobis Mahavidyalaya, Baranagar got affiliated to the West Bengal State University (WBSU), Barasat



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since 2008. From the academic session 2017-18 college has introduced four subjects such as Physics, History, Political Science and Human Development as general papers. From 2018-19 Computer Science Honours courses were started. From the academic session 2019-20 Honours courses are introduced in Political Science, History and Human Development. Now our college owns a four-storey two-block building and has become a multi-faculty degree college offering Honours courses of study in 14 subjects.

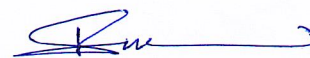
**Bohooghly Fishermens Cooperative Society LTD** is a non-profitable Government Organization. The Bohooghly Fishermen's' Cooperative Society came into being when about 48 refugee fishermen from erstwhile Bangladesh joined hands to form a cooperative and registering it in 1974. During the same year, this society approached the Refugee, Relief and Rehabilitation Department for allotment of homestead land and leasing out of derelict or semi-derelict lakes of Bohooghly region to be utilized primarily for fish culture. Subsequently, the concerned Department, on securing approval from the Government of India, leased out 24.12 acres of wetland consisting of several fallow and derelict lakes to this society. The lease agreement was sealed initially for 3 years with an annual lease fee of Rs. 3740, which was extended for another year up to 20th June 1979. Nevertheless, at this stage a decision was taken by the Department in charge to transfer the entire area, still legally under the possession of the society, to the local municipality for a lease period of six years at an annual rate of Rs. 5750 for the purpose of fish culture. It was precisely at this juncture that the society collectively approached the honorable High Court of Kolkata city thereby challenging the action of the Department under consideration. Thanks to an injunction issued by the honorable Kolkata High Court in favor of the status quo, this society is continuing to undertake its usual spectrum of activities in an uninterrupted manner.

## PURPOSE

The parties recognise the benefits to be derived from increased collaboration, cooperation and interaction for the purpose of promotion and understanding of high performance in awareness activities and organizing various programmes including conferences, seminars, study tours, field visits and other awareness activities in wetland areas. The purpose of this MOU is to define the areas for fundamental, socio academic aspects in which the Parties desire to work together in the future for their mutual benefit to foster a collaborative framework between **Prasanta Chandra Mahalanobis Mahavidyalaya College** and **Bohooghly Fishermens Cooperative Society Ltd** in the field with a view to benefiting from each other's initiatives and working procedures and to support collaboration among the members associated with both Parties.



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## SCOPE

This MOU sets forth the intentions of the Parties for increased collaboration, cooperation and interaction and does not create any legally binding commitments. If the Parties later agree to undertake specific joint projects with legally binding obligations, they will develop separate written agreements for such projects, setting out each Party's contributions, deliverables.

## THE PARTIES INTEND TO:


Strengthen the ties between **Prasanta Chandra Mahalanobis Mahavidyalaya, Kolkata** and **Bohooghly Fishermens Cooperative Society LTD** to make collaborative efforts in the field of Environment and Sustainability. Collaboration in awareness campaigns and other fields of mutual interest.

This MoU is signed between Prasanta Chandra Mahalanobis Mahavidyalaya, Kolkata and **Bohooghly Fishermens Cooperative Society LTD** for the three years **2022-2025** for the following deliverables.

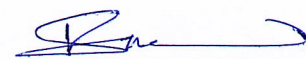
1. Organizing events, planting trees, awareness workshops and panel discussions, webinars, seminars and activities related to Environment and Sustainability of our Ecosystem.
2. Providing platform to our students to undergo short projects on Environment and Sustainability and save wetlands and save human being.
3. Help the college to do the different activities to make our college and nearby community Plastic Free zone and preserve wetlands.
4. Will help to organize Field Tours and project works in Wetland Area

Deliverables from Prasanta Chandra Mahalanobis Mahavidyalaya, Kolkata

1. The College will allow to interact our students with the **Bohooghly Fishermens Cooperative Society LTD** both in online and offline mode.
2. Motivate students to participate in various campaigns, field studies and awareness programs, Project works organized by **Bohooghly Fishermens Cooperative Society LTD**
3. **Bohooghly Fishermens Cooperative Society LTD** Logo will be exhibited on all online and offline modes of promotion of the events jointly organized by the college and the Society.



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## MODE OF OPERATION

Both parties will provide necessary support for effective implementation of the MoU within the institutional rules and procedures.

This MoU shall be effective from the date it is signed by both the parties.

Within the broad framework of the MoU, **Prasanta Chandra Mahalanobis Mahavidyalaya, Kolkata** and **Bohooghly Fishermens Cooperative Society LTD** can work on awareness activities, internship programmes, development of facilities etc. Any financial commitment for joint activities under this MoU shall be subject to the approval by the Competent Authorities of the respective organizations. The activities under this MoU shall be **coordinated, monitored and recorded by The Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) of Prasanta Chandra Mahalanobis Mahavidyalaya, Kolkata and Bohooghly Fishermens Cooperative Society LTD.**

The visitors will be bound by the rules and regulations, as well as the code of conduct of the host institution.

## FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

This MoU places no financial obligations or supplementary funding commitments on either party. These activities will be defined through separate programme agreements, detailing the commitment of resources (financial or otherwise) required from each institution. Subsequent programme agreements must be approved in advance in writing by the authorized representatives from both parties. Each Party will be responsible for its own costs in connection with all matters relating to collaborations under this MoU. Where possible and appropriate, the parties may also seek funding for collaborations from Government and related agencies. This MoU is also based on broad based understanding between the parties and does not place any financial liabilities on any of the parties. In case there is joint financial involvement between both the parties for any awareness activities it would be decided on an event basis in advance.

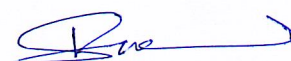
## VALIDITY

The Memorandum shall remain in force for a period of **Three years** commencing from the effective date.



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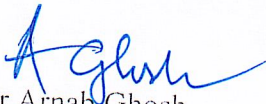
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## AMENDMENTS/ MODIFICATIONS

This MoU may be amended or modified by a written agreement signed by the representatives of both institutes.



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