



MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MOU)

BETWEEN

AUTISM RESOURCE CENTRE, LAHORE, PAKISTAN

AND

UNIVERSITY OF EDUCATION, LAHORE

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This Memorandum of Understanding (hereinafter the "MOU") is made and entered into at Lahore on this 06 day of April, 2023.

BETWEEN

Autism Resource centre, Lahore (hereinafter referred to as First Party) is an autonomous body established in 2012 by Dr. Ahmad Faraz Bhatti, the father of a child with autism, as a nonprofit organization. ARCL provides services to children suffering from developmental disorders. ARCL is providing all potential therapies under one roof for early intervention: Speech therapy, Occupational therapy, Physiotherapy, Behavior therapy. It also offers training to support Parents and other caregivers for the psychological well-being of children. It is also providing music classes, Art classes, and sports coaching for students with autism spectrum disorder

AND

University of Education, Lahore (hereinafter referred to as Second Party) is a body corporate established under the laws of Government of Punjab having its main campus at College Road, Township, Lahore. The University is imparting quality education with enrolment of almost 48,000 students and around 500 faculty members.

ARTICLE I: PURPOSE

This MOU is executed for the advancement and promotion of quality training of university students in the area of Autism supported by academic research.

ARTICLE II: SCOPE OF WORK

Both the parties agree to work initially for the promotion of education, research activities at the instance of 2nd party and subsequently to explore the feasibility of working together on other projects to be mutually beneficial and viable for both the parties.



ARTICLE III: ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE FIRST PARTY

1. The first party will provide the maximum necessary support to collect data to complete the research projects of assigned students.
2. Host the visits of faculty and students of second party to gain insight of the work being done in the field of autism
3. Depute a member to provide guidance and supervision during the placement of students for practicum
4. First party will provide necessary support to research scholars of first party and share their resources to enrich the experience of practicum
5. Provide human resource and expertise of the area to hold seminars/ workshops/ trainings related to behavioural interventions and speech therapy

ARTICLE IV: ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE SECOND PARTY

1. Nominate Research Scholars(s)/ Student(s) of B.Ed. (Hons), M.Phil/MS and PhD to conduct research on various topics related to Autism Spectrum Disorders, sensory issues, Intellectual and developmental disabilities, etc.
2. The relevant teaching faculty of the second party shall supervise educational research of their students nominated for research in the area of Autism.
3. Second party will plan seminars/ workshops related to Autism Spectrum Disorders to be conducted at University of Education in collaboration with first party
4. Depute Student(s) of BS (Hons), M.Phil/MS and PhD to gain practical experience and complete their internship with first party
5. First party will plan Training/ certificate in the field of speech therapy and behavioral interventions of children with autism for the students

ARTICLE V: TAXATION

Each Party shall be responsible for their own payment of taxes if incurred under this MOU.



ARTICLE VI: CONFIDENTIALITY

That Both the Parties agree to keep the existence and terms of this MOU as confidential. The terms mentioned herein above shall be applicable to both the parties. Both Parties recognize that each of them may be given and have access to Confidential Information and undertake not to use or disclose any of such Confidential Information for their own benefit or any other purpose without the prior written consent of the other Party.

ARTICLE VII: NOTICES

A valid notice under this MOU shall be sent using post at the addresses of the other party, if required may be used "Correspondence".

ARTICLE VIII: THIRD PARTIES

This MOU is exclusively for the benefit of First & Secondary Party and shall not be construed as conferring, either directly or indirectly, any rights or causes of action upon any third part.

ARTICLE IX: SEVERABILITY

Parties agree that in the event any clause or part thereof of this MOU is held to be unenforceable or invalid then said clause or part shall be struck with mutual consent and all remaining provisions shall remain enforce. Written components shall be the part of this MOU.

ARTICLE X: MODIFICATION

Modification of any Article of this MOU shall only be in writing duly signed by both the Parties or their representatives duly authorized by them.

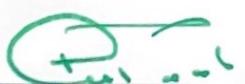
ARTICLE XII: DURATION OF THE MOU

The duration for this MOU shall commence on the date of signing of this MOU and shall remain enforced for a term of **03 years** (hereinafter as "**Contractual Term**"). This will be extended for another term of 03 years through written mutual consent only. Either party may terminate this MOU at any time by providing a prior written notice of six months to the date of proposed termination.

ARTICLE XIII: ARBITRATION

Any dispute arising in connection with this MOU or any claim or controversy arising out of or relating to this MOU or the breach thereof shall be settled by mutual arbitration. If not so settled, the settlement may be done by invoking law of the land.

IN WITNESS WHERE OF, the above said parties have set forth, their respective hands the day and year first hereinabove written.

For and on behalf of University of Education, Lahore	For and on behalf of Autism Resource Centre, Lahore
Sign:  Name & Designation: Prof. Dr. Talat Naseer Pasha (S. I., H.I.) Vice Chancellor University of Education, Lahore Date: _____	Sign:  Name & Designation: Ms. Syeda Mehwish Raees Director, Autism Resource Centre, Lahore Date: _____