## MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

Between

## **VISAYAS STATE UNIVERSITY**

Baybay City, Leyte, Philippines

and

## SUBTROPICAL HORTICULTURE RESEARCH INSTITUTE JEJU NATIONAL UNIVERSITY

Jeju City, Jeju, South Korea

## KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS:

The VISAYAS STATE UNIVERSITY, an institution of higher learning established under Presidential Decree No. 470 as amended by Pres. Decree No. 700, and converted into state university by virtue of R.A. 9158 and 9437, with office address at Visca, Baybay City, Leyte, Philippines, duly represented by the University President, Dr. Edgardo E. Tulin, hereinafter referred to as "VSU":

-and-

The Subtropical Horticulture Research Institute of Jeju National University, an institution that develops and conducts research on the improvement of food and agricultural production, and efficient utilization of plant resources for sustainable industries, represented herein by Dr. Yong Suk Chung under the Head of the research institute, Dr. Hyo Yeon Lee, herein referred to as "JNU-SHRI".

WHEREAS, VSU, through the Philippine Root Crop Research and Training Center "PhilRootcrops", is the leading national research center for rootcrops research;

WHEREAS, VSU-PhilRootcrops, with funding support from the Commission on Higher Education (CHED), is conducting the project entitled "High-throughput field-phenotyping of major rootcrops using unmanned aerial vehicle" (HTFP UAV) under the Internationalization Program, which aims to capacitate higher education institutions to bring their activities, partnerships, and research up to international standards;

WHEREAS, JNU-SHRI, under whose supervision resides the laboratory of Dr. Yong Suk Chung, a leading scientist with many publications and experience on High-throughput Phenotyping;

WHEREAS, VSU and JNU-SHRI, enter into the following terms of this Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with respect to furthering international cooperation in research and education.