

## **MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING**

**This Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) is entered in to on 15.11.2019 by and between:**

**Guru Krupa Foundation**, PO Box 81, 100 Jericho Quadrangle, Suite 220, Jericho, NY 11753, USA, represented by Mr. Mukund Padmanabhan, President and an alumnus of IIT Kharagpur, hereinafter referred to as "GKF" of the **First Party**:

AND

**INDIAN INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY KHARAGPUR**, an academic institute of global repute and a statutory body created under the provisions of the Indian Institute of Technology (Kharagpur) Act. 1956 having its main campus and administrative office at Kharagpur 721302, India (hereinafter referred to as "IITKGP") of the **Second Party**.

WHEREAS

**GKF** is appreciative of the newly founded Academy of Classical and Folk Arts at IIT Kharagpur and the need for making the current generation of students of IITKGP aware of India's rich cultural heritage.

**GKF** has approached IITKGP with a request to create a teaching learning platform for Classical and Folk Arts through its Academy, conduct periodic workshops, engage in research and innovations in the cultural space, and extend its outreach through international dissemination of its archives and teaching-learning experience.

### **KEY OBJECTIVES OF THIS MOU**

In order to support the mandate of the Academy for Classical and Folk Arts, **GKF** has very kindly offered to provide financial support for the following activities:

1. Setting up a digital class room for music training in proscenium setting as well as for distance mode teaching-learning, with aesthetic and acoustically appropriate interiors. The auditorium, which will be created inside the built-up space provided by **IITKGP** for the Academy, may be named "Guru Krupa Foundation - Music Auditorium, Academy of Classical and Folk Arts, IIT Kharagpur" after the Guru Krupa Foundation.

In addition, **GKF** has kindly offered to provide financial support for the following activities, initially for a period of one year, and renewable and/or extensible through mutual consent between **GKF** and **IITKGP**

2. Initiating a Thematic Workshop Series, named "GKF - IIT Kharagpur Academy of Classical and Folk Arts Workshop Series" on Classical and Folk Arts with initial support for conducting 3-4 workshops in a calendar year.
3. Creating two teaching positions for providing training on classical music and arts on a regular basis with initial support for one calendar year. The positions may be named "GKF - IIT Kharagpur Academy of Classical and Folk Arts Teaching Fellow"

## RECOGNITION

1. In recognition of GKF's support for the SanDHI initiative, IITKGP will place a plaque (metal or stone) on the wall of the digital classroom acknowledging funding by GKF
2. On the website of the SanDHI initiative ([iitkgpsandhi.org](http://iitkgpsandhi.org)) and any website created for the purpose of advertising or disseminating the information concerning the thematic workshops, IITKGP will acknowledge funding from GKF (possibly in a "Donors" section on the website) for the initiative and include a link to the GKF website ([www.guru-krupa.org](http://www.guru-krupa.org))

## FUNDING DETAILS

For the initial period of one year, and extensible for future years under mutual consent, **GKF**, agrees to provide the following funds to **IITKGP**.

1	Towards the setting up of the <b>GKF - Music Auditorium, Academy of Classical and Folk Arts, IIT Kharagpur</b>	25,00,000
2	Towards <b>GKF - IIT Kharagpur Academy of Classical and Folk Arts Workshop Series</b>	12,50,000
3	Towards <b>GKF - IIT Kharagpur Academy of Classical and Folk Arts Teaching Fellow</b>	12,50,000
4	Institute overhead	2,63,158
<b>Total</b>		<b>52,63,158</b>

GKF will provide the required funding to the **IITKGP Foundation**, PO Box 27183, 11218 John Galt Boulevard, Suite 201, Omaha, Nebraska 68127, represented by Ron Gupta, President and an alumnus of IIT Kharagpur, (hereinafter referred to as "IITKGPF") for the above mentioned projects. Upon receipt of the funds from GKF, IITKGPF will fund IITKGP for the above projects on an agreed-upon schedule.

IITKGP agrees to provide a status report on the above projects to GKF and IITKGPF on a regular basis, but no less than once every three months. The status report will contain details of accomplishments, names of appointments, and upcoming activities.

**IITKGP** agrees to undertake the activities listed above under the Academy of Classical and Folk Arts.

### **Intellectual property**

IITKGP will own any intellectual property that arises out of the activities of the Academy of Classical and Folk Arts, IIT Kharagpur listed above.

### **NON-DISCRIMINATION**

IITKGP and GKF agree not to discriminate against any person because of age, sex, national origin, race, ancestry, color, religious creed disability or handicap, and sexual orientation. Neither institution shall impose criteria for the exchange of faculty, staff and students that would violate the principles of non-discrimination.

### **Legal Status**

This document is a statement of intent to foster genuine and mutually beneficial cooperation and is not legally binding on both the parties. Any disputes shall be resolved through mutual discussion.

### **Validity and Termination**

This MoU is valid for an initial period of five years and becomes effective from the date it is signed by the partners. The partnership period may be extended by mutual consent.

This agreement may be terminated:

- a. on either party giving the other party 6 months' prior written notice;
- b. on written notice by one of the Parties if the other Party has committed a breach of this MoU.

However, specific commitments made prior to such intimation shall be honoured by both the institutions and ongoing activities will be brought to its logical conclusion.

Signed for and on behalf of  
**GKF**

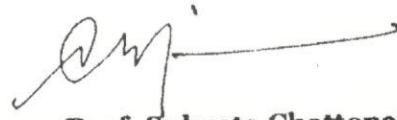


**Name: Mr. Mukund Padmanabhan**

President

Nov 15, 2019

Signed for and on behalf of  
**IITKGP**



**Name: Prof. Subrata Chattopadhyay**

Designation: Dean, Alumni Affairs