



# Memorandum of Understanding

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Gujarat University, Ahmedabad, Gujarat, India,

and

Indian Political Science Association (IPSA)

This Memorandum of Understanding ("MoU") is made by and between:

Gujarat University, Ahmedabad, Gujarat, India (Which expression unless excluded or is repugnant to the context shall include its successors and assignees), on the Second Part, Indian Political Science Association to be represented by the appropriate authority, (Which expression unless excluded or is repugnant to the context shall include its office bearers, officers, lawful representatives, successors and permitted assignees)

That, Gujarat University, established under the Gujarat University Act and having its main campus at Navrangpura, Ahmedabad - 380009, Gujarat, India. Gujarat University (GU) was established on 23rd November 1949 as a state University in Ahmedabad under the Gujarat University Act, 1949 of the state government. It is an affiliating university for undergraduate, postgraduate, and research-level courses. It also encourages novel courses and research ideas. Skill development and Entrepreneurship are the main mottos of Gujarat University. As a premier university, GU strives to accommodate novel ideas and innovative strategies in teaching and encourages high-impact research in various scientific disciplines to cater to emerging challenges of academic endeavor, research, and development

That, Indian Political Science Association (IPSA), a non-profit academic professional body, an association registered under the Society Registration Act XXI of 1860, having its registered office at 75, Ground Floor, Apex Enclave, Gokulpur, Meerut (Uttar Pradesh) 250004 having a pan-India presence, enabling professionals to interact, collaborate, and contribute to education and training; hereinafter referred to as Indian Political Science Association (IPSA).

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The Indian Political Science Association (IPSA) is the highest, the oldest and the largest academic and professional body of teachers and scholars of Political Science and Public Administration in India. This is the national association and non-profit registered organization. The aims and intellectual traditions of IPSA are- Advancement of Political Science, Scientific Study of Politics; Dissemination of Knowledge, and Rigorous Political Enquiry.

The Indian Political Science Association was established in December 1938 on the advice and invitation of Bharat Ratna Pandit Madan Mohan Malviya at Varanasi. Pandit Govind Ballabh Pant, the then Premier of United Province (presently Uttar Pradesh), was invited to preside over the inauguration of IPSA.

In September 1939, the IPSA started publication of a quarterly journal entitled The Indian Journal of Political Science (IJPS). IJPS is continuing to be an academic platform and intellectual voice of the community of Political Science for last 85 years. In 2009, the IPSA started publication of a bi-annual journal in Hindi entitled Bhartiya Rajniti Vijnan Shodh Patrika.

IPSA being a nationally and internationally acclaimed and accredited academic body embracing all branches of social sciences with par excellence and universal acceptance will be empowering all its partner institutions on the following parameters

- 1. IPSA will be actively extending its expertise in the forms of calibrated, time relevant and strategic consultancy for enrichment of intellectual pursuits of Faculty members of GU across the disciplines vide publication of research papers, book chapters, and organisation of FDP programs, as per the prescribed national and international norms.
- 2. IPSA will provide credible consultancy in the domain of entire gamut of social sciences particularly in identification of frontline potential research project proposals in tune with the imperatives of the funding agencies (both major and minor ) and their pre submission evaluation and filtration .
- 3. IPSA will be extending to GU its soft resources acquired over the years, for achieving academic excellence as per the norms and dynamic mandates and expectations of regulatory bodies.

Each referred to individually as a "Party" and together as the "Parties" henceforth.

**Objective:** The MoU drawn up and agreed upon to establish academic and allied cooperation between **Gujarat University**, **Ahmedabad and Indian Political Science Association (IPSA)**.

# **ARTICLE 1: PURPOSE**

The purpose of this MoU is to enable cooperation between **Gujarat University**, **Ahmedabad** and **Indian Political Science Association (IPSA)** to

- (i) organise National and International Conference; (ii) academic support for implementing; and (iii) engage in academic exchange and mutual cooperation through short-term internships.
- (iv) Research and other activities as found suitable upon mutual consent between

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Gujarat University, Ahmedabad and Indian Political Science Association (IPSA).

#### ARTICLE 2: SCOPE/AREAS OF COOPERATION

The Parties do hereby agree to undertake the followings:

- Organization of joint seminars, symposia, conferences, short courses, and meetings on academic and research issues
- Joint research, including publications and other appropriate activities, between GU and IPSA
- Identify areas of possible mutual academic and research interest
- Identify potential research opportunities and initiatives to take forward the activities
- Cooperation in any other areas as agreed to by the parties from time to time

### ARTICLE 3: DURATION, TERMINATION AND AMENDMENT

- 1. This MoU will be effective from the date of signing by all two parties for a period of 3 (three) years, and may be subject to extensions by mutual consent in writing.
- 2. Either party may terminate this MoU by giving 3 (three) months' advance notice in writing.
- 3. The provisions of this MoU may be amended at any time with the mutual consent of the parties in writing.
- 4. The amendment, termination and expiration of this MoU will not affect the terms of activities ongoing at the time of notification of amendment, termination or expiration, unless otherwise agreed upon between the two parties.
- 5. Any legal issue arising out of this MOU may amicably settled through mutual discussion. In case of no settlement through mutual negotiation, then the parties may jointly appoint an arbitrator for the adjudication of the disputes arising between the parties. All the litigation between the parties shall be adjudicated and result through Arbitration laws as applicable in India.

## **ARTICLE 4: SPECIAL PROVISIONS**

- **4.1** Modalities of each type of collaboration, associated activities and financial aspects shall be mutually agreed upon on a case-by-case basis in separate Memoranda of Agreement (MoA).
- **4.2** Each party will seek the other parties' written approval to use the other parties' name and logo for the activities hereunder on a case-by-case basis.
- 4.3 All parties here shall do their utmost to ensure the smooth and efficient

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implementation of the mentioned programs.

**4.4** The parties will consult with each other for any subsequent associated agreement informally and attempt to resolve disputes or misunderstandings that may arise in the administration of this MoU or any subsequent associated agreement informally.

#### **ARTICLE 5: FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

- **5.1** This Memorandum of Understanding shall not give rise to any financial obligation by one Party to any other Party.
- **5.2** Each Party shall bear its own costs and expenses in the implementation of this Memorandum of Understanding.

This MoU is prepared in two identical sets. Each party holds one original copy.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned parties have each set their hand to this MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING on the 20<sup>th</sup> November 2025 between **Gujarat University**, **Ahmedabad and Indian Political Science Association (IPSA)**.

For Indian Political Science Association (IPSA)

Name of the signatory authority Prof. Sanjeev Kumar Sharma General Secretary and Treasurer

**IPSA** 

Name of the witness

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For Gujarat University, Ahmedabad

Dr. Neerja Gupta Vice Chancellor Dr. Piyush M Patel Registrar (I/C)