



MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MOU)

BETWEEN

SHOOLINI UNIVERSITY

AND

ST. BEDE'S COLLEGE

Shoolini University of Biotechnology and Management Sciences Solan (herein referred to as Shoolini University), Founded by leading academicians and professionals, Shoolini University (**NAAC A+**) is a young, research-focused, philanthropic university. Established in 2009, this dynamic and innovation-led centre of learning has made giant strides. It has consistently been ranked among India's top 100 universities (NIRF), is one of India's highest generators of patents and innovation, and matches the world's best universities in research output. A not-for-profit multi-disciplinary private university, Shoolini has a unique research and innovation-led model

AND

St. Bede's College (hereinafter referred to as SBC, Shimla) *Re-Accredited 'A' Grade by UGC NAAC* is a pioneer in the field of women's education with a legacy of more than 120 years. The college presents a series of orchestrated efforts on the academic and co- curricular fronts. St. Bede's welcomes students of all religions. We live, work and pray together as a family. We know that it is possible to work together for common goals and we are enriched by such an experience. Together we strive to work for change in society, translating our vision into reality.

This Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) encourages academic partnership for:

Jointly undertaking this type of co-operation between the two institutions will focus on areas of common interest with the following terms and conditions as applicable to both Shoolini University, Solan and SBC, Shimla are agreed upon.

Areas of Collaboration

1.1 Student Training and Research Exposure

1. SBC, Shimla shall submit requests to the MoU Coordinator Shoolini University Solan for organizing Summer/Winter Training programmes for students.



2. The duration, month, and specific dates of training shall be mutually decided based on the availability of students and scientists.
3. Training topics shall be finalized by the concerned faculty coordinators of SBC in alignment with the research divisions and laboratories of Shoolini University Solan.

1.2 Academic and Research Activities

Both institutions shall collaborate in conducting the following academic and research-related activities:

1. Hands-on training workshops for students on relevant scientific and interdisciplinary topics.
2. Establishment of a Medicinal Garden at St. Bede's College with consultancy and technical guidance from the faculty experts of Shoolini University Solan.
3. Educational visits for students of SBC to various research divisions, and laboratories at Shoolini University Solan.
4. Participation of SBC Shimla faculty and students in workshops, seminars, and training programmes organized by Shoolini University Solan.
5. Organization of Quiz Competitions and Declamation Contests jointly by SBC Shimla and Shoolini University Solan, with participation from students of SBC Shimla.
6. Celebration of commemorative days related to biodiversity and environmental awareness jointly by both institutions.
7. Conducting special sessions on Intellectual Property Rights (IPR) and related awareness programs for students and faculty.

1.3 Access to Infrastructure and Academic Facilities

Shoolini University Solan shall facilitate the following for educational and academic purposes:

1. Access to state-of-the-art infrastructure, including Yogananda Library and laboratories for educational purposes.
2. Issuance of Guest Identity Cards to designated members of SBC Shimla for offline access to the library resources.
3. Access to Nano-Technology Laboratories at Shoolini University Solan for students and faculty members of SBC Shimla, subject to institutional regulations.

1.4 Student Development Opportunities

1. Providing internship opportunities for students of SBC Shimla at Shoolini University Solan.
2. Offering professional training programs through Shoolini University Solans **SPRINT program** for a duration of 1–2 days.
3. Facilitating apprenticeship opportunities for college students wherever feasible.
4. Organizing educational excursions and exposure visits for SBC Shimla students at Shoolini University Solan with participation in academic and institutional activities.
5. Providing career guidance and counselling sessions for students.
6. Shoolini University Solan may give due consideration to eligible students of SBC Shimla while admitting students to various academic programs, subject to fulfillment of admission requirements.



1.5 Academic Exchange and Higher Education Opportunities

1. Facilitating student exchange programs between the institutions, subject to mutual agreement.
2. Strengthening the pathway for students of SBC Shimla to pursue higher education through online degree programs offered by Shoolini University Solan.

1.6 Research Collaboration

1. Encouraging collaborative research projects between faculty members and students of SBC Shimla and Shoolini University Solan.
2. Allowing faculty members of SBC Shimla to act as co-guides in collaborative research work, subject to applicable academic regulations.
3. Providing limited financial assistance, where feasible, for characterization of samples and related research activities undertaken by SBC Shimla students and faculty.
4. Encouraging joint publication of research papers arising from collaborative work.

1.7 Joint Academic Events

Both institutions shall mutually cooperate in organizing:

1. **International and National Conferences**
2. **Seminars and Workshops**
3. **Academic symposia and training programmes**

These events shall aim to enhance academic dialogue, knowledge dissemination, and research collaboration.

IMPLEMENTATION



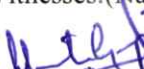


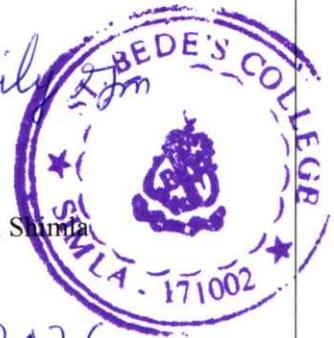


- a. In order to carry out and fulfil the aims of this MoU, **Shoolini University** and **SBC Shimla** shall each designate a MoU Coordinator who shall manage the development and conduct of joint activities.
- b. Either Party may initiate proposals for activities under this MoU.
- c. The Coordinators shall be responsible for the evaluation of activities under this MoU according to the practices of their respective institutions.

DURATION AND TERMINATION OF MoU

- a. This MoU shall become effective on the date that it is signed by both parties and shall be valid for a period of five years, but may be renewed or extended by mutual consent expressed in writing.
- b. Any changes to this MoU shall be subject to the written consent of both Parties.
- c. This MOU is non-binding and has no legal monetary implication to either party.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the authorized representative of both the organisations herein set their respective hands on the day, month and year first above written in the presence of following witnesses

<p>For and on behalf of:</p> <p>Shoolini University, Solan, Himachal Pradesh, India</p> <p>Signature </p> <p>Name: Prof. Sunil Puri</p> <p>Designation: Registrar</p> <p>DATE: <u>30-04-2026</u></p> <p>Seal: </p> <p>Witnesses: (Name and Address)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (Dr. Shweta Gupta) Dr. Sapna Sharma	<p>For and on behalf of:</p> <p>St. Bede's College, Shimla</p> <p>Signature </p> <p>Name: Dr. (Sr.) Rosily T.L.</p> <p>Designation: Principal, SBC, Shimla</p> <p>DATE: <u>30-04-2026</u></p> <p>Seal: </p> <p>Witnesses (Name and Address)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Prof. Dinesh Kumar Prof. Namdar Verma
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MOU OF ST. BEDE'S COLLEGE WITH SHOOLINI UNIVERSITY

St. Bede's College is pleased to announce the signing of a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Shoolini University.

This collaboration aims to promote academic excellence, research cooperation, and knowledge exchange between the two institutions. The MoU will facilitate joint research initiatives, student internship programs, workshops, seminars, and skill development activities.

This partnership marks a significant step toward strengthening academic ties and providing enhanced learning opportunities for students and faculty members of both institutions.

