

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MoU)

BETWEEN



CSIR-CENTRAL ROAD RESEARCH INSTITUTE (CSIR-CRRI),
NEW DELHI

AND



INDIAN ACADEMY OF HIGHWAY ENGINEERS, NOIDA
UTTAR PRADESH

29th DECEMBER 2025

This Memorandum of Understanding is made and executed on 29/12/2025 between CSIR - Central Road Research Institute, New Delhi 110025, which is a constituent establishment of the Council of Scientific and Industrial Research, a Society registered under the Societies Registration Act XXI of 1860, and having its registered office at Anusandhan Bhawan, 2, Rafi Marg, New Delhi -110001 (hereinafter referred to as **CSIR-CRRI** which expression shall, where the context so admit, include its successors-in-interest, employees, representatives and assigns) of the one part;

AND

Indian Academy of Highway Engineers (formerly NITHE), a premium national training institute for sharing of knowledge and pooling of experience, established as a society in January 1983, having its registered office at A-5, Institutional Area, Sector-62, NH-24 Bypass, Noida-201301 (UP) India (hereinafter referred to as **IAHE** which expression shall, where the context so admits, include its successors-in-interest, representatives and assigns) of the other part.

The above parties shall be jointly referred to as "Parties" and individually as "Party".

1. OBJECTIVE:

WHEREAS CSIR-CRRI and IAHE have now agreed upon to work collaboratively with the following purpose and objectives and the given broad terms and conditions.

2. SCOPE OF THIS MOU:

CSIR-CRRI and IAHE agree to cooperate, to the extent that the laws of the land permit each of them to and also within the terms of reference of each of them, inter alia, in the following areas:-

- i. The Parties agree to collaborate in the fields of research, testing, consultancy, laboratory development, and capacity building in the areas of mutual interest.
- ii. The Parties shall jointly undertake activities aimed at advancing scientific knowledge, technological development, professional excellence and institutional capacity building.
- iii. The Parties shall explore opportunities for joint research, consultancy, technology development, sponsored projects and pilot studies.
- iv. To achieve the goals of this cooperation and subject to availability of resources, both parties may, inter alia:
 - a) Organize symposia, workshops, conferences, seminars and technical meetings on topics of mutual relevance;
 - b) Design, develop and carry out joint training programs and capacity building programmes for professionals, officers, researchers and other stake holders;
- v. CSIR-CRRI faculty/scientists may be engaged, as and when required and with mutual consent, in delivering lectures, training programmes, workshops, and other academic or technical activities at IAHE. Such engagements shall be on a non-exclusive basis and any honorarium or remuneration, where applicable, shall be paid by IAHE as per the norms, guidelines, and rates prescribed by the Ministry of Road Transport and Highways (MoRTH) and other applicable rules.
- vi. The Parties may, subject to availability, mutual consent, and applicable rules, explore shared use of laboratory facilities & testing infrastructure at IAHE, and technical resources for research, training, and development purposes.
- vii. IAHE and CSIR-CRRI further agree that detailed terms and conditions that guide each activity identified above will be separately determined and agreed upon by both the parties through an agreement.
- viii. A separate agreement can be entered between CSIR-CRRI and any particular Industry, group of Industries or a cluster of Industries, if they need specific technical assistance from CSIR-CRRI.




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3. EFFECTIVE DATE, DURATION AND TERMINATION OF THE MOU:

This MoU becomes effective from the day of signing and shall remain operative for a period of **three (03) years** therefrom, until either of the two organization requests its termination in writing to the other person at least three months in advance. Both the parties herein will have the right to propose amendments if and when they consider such amendments are necessary to improve the co-operation between them.

4. INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY RIGHTS:

If any Intellectual Property Rights (IPR) arise out of the activities mentioned in Clause 2 of this MoU and could be secured through legal instruments such as patents, designs, trademarks, or copyrights, the ownership and related rights of such IPR shall be governed and decided as per the provisions of the separate agreement as stipulated in Clause 2 (vii).

CSIR-CRRI and IAHE shall have ownership of their respective background IP used in joint work and such intellectual property rights shall continue to remain with the respective parties even after the termination of this MoU.

The parties shall consult each other for any publication in respect of the activities carried out under this MoU. These publications shall be in the names of research workers, wherein it will be duly acknowledged that the work has been jointly carried out by CSIR-CRRI and IAHE.

5. CONFIDENTIALITY:

This MoU shall be private and confidential and the Parties hereto shall not disclose or divulge the contents hereof to any third party (except as required under law) without the written permission of the other party.

Neither party shall disclose any information or share any data concerning the affairs of other party which may have come to its knowledge by virtue of this association or otherwise to any other person/organization /anyone else without the written consent of other party.

6. FORCE MAJEURE:

Neither Party shall be held responsible for non-fulfillment of their respective obligations under this MoU due to the exigency of one or more of the force majeure events such as but not limited to Acts of God, war, flood, earthquake, strike, lockouts, epidemics, pandemic, riots, civil commotion etc. provided on the occurrence and cessation of any such events, the party affected thereby shall give a notice in writing to the other party within one month of such occurrence or cessation. If the force majeure conditions continue beyond six months, the parties shall then mutually decide about the future course of action.

7. ENFORCEABILITY:

The aforementioned protocol and co-operation can only be implemented in a legally binding form on the basis of special agreements and other adopted resolutions, which may be elaborated in future and then also subject to the national laws of the country. It is made clear that nothing hereinabove, whether express or by necessary implication, shall be enforceable as against either party, and no right or liability, as the case may be, shall arise from this MoU in favor and/or as against any of the parties hereto.

8. MISCELLANEOUS



Non-Binding: This MoU intended solely as a statement of mutual intent and does not constitute a legally binding agreement between the Parties. No legal obligations, financial commitments, or enforceable duties are created hereby. Either Party may withdraw from this MOU at any time without penalty, by providing written notice to the other Party.
Non-Exclusivity: Nothing in this MoU shall be construed as granting exclusivity to either Party, and both Parties shall remain free to collaborate, enter into agreements, or undertake projects with other organizations in the same or similar areas of interest, without any obligation or restriction arising from this MoU.

In witness whereof CSIR-CRRI and IAHE cause their representatives to set their hands hereto on the date mentioned above.

Signed for and on behalf CSIR-CRRI



Prof. Manoranjan Parida
Director, CSIR-CRRI

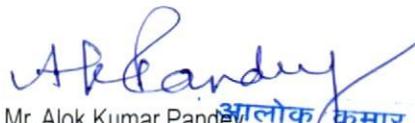


Seal:

Witness (es)

1.  29.12.21
Dr. Vinod Kumar
Head, PME
2.  29.12.2025
Dr. K. Ravinder
Head (ILT)

Signed for and on behalf of IAHE

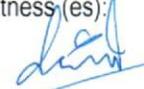


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