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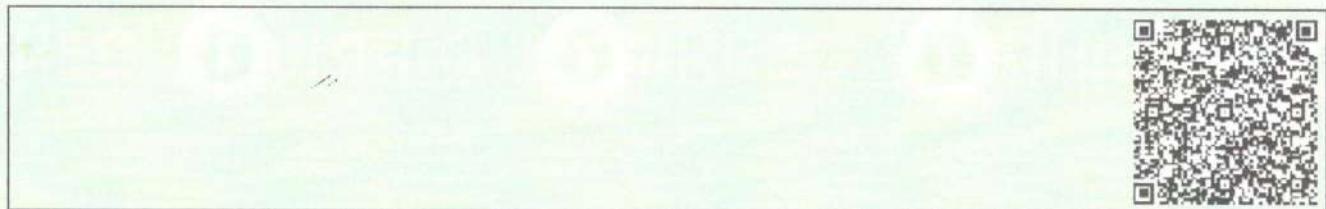
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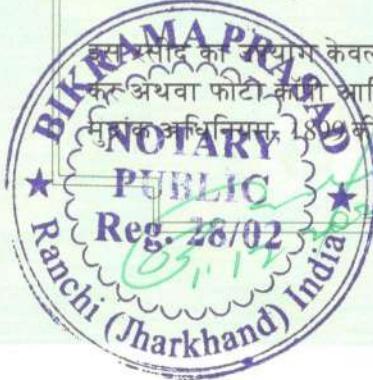
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## MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

### BETWEEN

**Fifth State Finance Commission of Jharkhand**, having its office at Room No.203, Yojana Bhawan, Nepal House, Ranchi, Jharkhand, Pin 834002 (hereinafter referred to as the  
“5th SFC” or “First Party”)

### AND

St. Xavier's College, Ranchi, located at Purulia Road, Ranchi, Jharkhand,  
Pin-834001, or Second (2<sup>nd</sup>) Party

### WHEREAS

The **Fifth State Finance Commission (5th SFC) of Jharkhand** is a constitutional body constituted on *February 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2024*, by the Hon'ble Governor of Jharkhand. It functions under the chairpersonship of Shri A.P. Singh, IAS (Retd.). It is mandated to review the financial positions of local bodies and recommend the distribution of net proceeds of taxes, duties, tolls, and fees between the state government and local bodies. The State Finance Commission also recommends measures needed to improve the fiscal positions of local bodies.

### And

**St. Xavier's College, Ranchi**, an autonomous college of Ranchi University, with NAAC accreditation, was founded by the Society of Jesus in July 1944. It is registered as an academic institution under the title “Xavier's Ranchi” under the Society's Registration Act XXI of 1860.

In the spirit of partnership and with a mutual interest in cooperation and other good and valuable considerations, the Parties enter into this collaborative Memorandum of Understanding (“MOU”) to establish a partnership and collaborate in areas of mutual interest.

**NOW THEREFORE**, together, the Parties agree on the following:



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## 1. PURPOSE AND SCOPE

This Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) aims to assist the *5th State Finance Commission to act as an institution for ensuring the effective functioning of local bodies*, with *St. Xavier's College, Ranchi* supporting it as *its knowledge partner*. Through this collaboration, the MoU seeks to advance the broader vision of strengthening local governance by promoting the concept of decentralised and participatory decision-making among the students and enabling their participation in strengthening devolution of funds, functions, and functionaries, along with contributing to fair distribution of net proceeds, *promoting innovative practices*, and advancing *data-driven, evidence-based* decisions in **Jharkhand**.

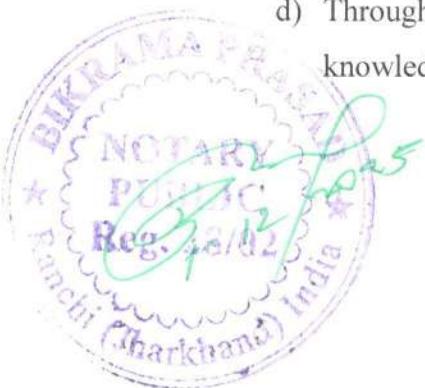
## 2. Scope of Work:

This Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) becomes effective from the date of its signature by both Parties. It will remain valid till **March 2026**, after which it can be further extended on mutual agreement.

## 2. Broad Areas of Collaboration:

- a) **Consultations** with the academic community to strengthen the recommendations of the 5th SFC and to identify priority areas.
- b) **Disseminate SFC recommendations:** Disseminate SFC recommendations by conducting workshops for the academic community, the faculty members and students.
- c) **Evidence-Based Research:** Document best practices and innovations and conduct relevant studies based on field-level data to generate evidence for key focus areas, supporting the effective formulation of SFC recommendations.
- d) Through participation of students and faculty, disseminate the concept and knowledge of decentralized and participatory decision-making at GP/ village in the

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formulation of GPDP and the availability of use of CSR and DMFT resources in its effective implementation.

- e) To study and involve students and faculty in data collection, dissemination of information about FRA, and assessment of the condition of PVTGs in certain areas where their population is concentrated.

#### **4. Key Deliverables:**

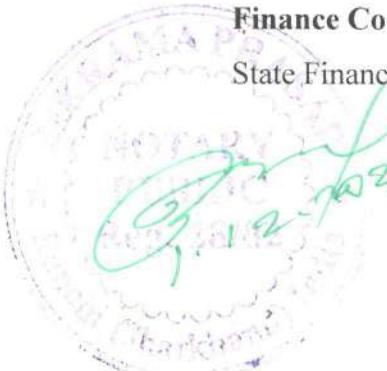
- Organize workshops which will be attended by the faculty members and students of the college and other academic institutions. The purpose of the workshop will be to disseminate information related to the functioning of Local Self Government and the State Finance Commission and seek their comments and suggestions.
- To provide interns to the SFC, which will be beneficial for both the interns as well as the 5<sup>th</sup> SFC. It, on one hand, will increase the knowledge base of the interns and on the other provide the 5<sup>th</sup> SFC the necessary manpower support.
- Conduct studies relevant to the 5<sup>th</sup> SFC.

#### **5. Support from the State Finance Commission, Jharkhand:**

- Facilitate **regular coordination meetings** led by the Chairman and Member to support St. Xavier's College team for effective implementation of deliverables.
- Facilitate **in seeking support** from relevant bodies in the collection of data and information.
- Share relevant information in conducting studies for the 5<sup>th</sup> SFC.

#### **6. Administrative and financial assistance:**

This is a **non-financial MoU** between **St. Xavier's College, Ranchi**, and the **5th State Finance Commission, Jharkhand**, and does not place any financial liability on either the State Finance Commission/ the Government of Jharkhand or St. Xavier's College, Ranchi.



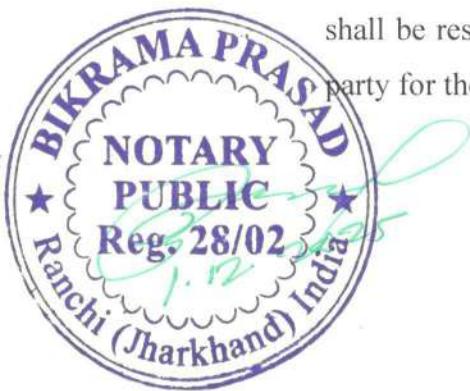
## **7: Review Mechanisms:**

The following reporting and review mechanisms are proposed:

1. **Periodic reviews**, at least quarterly, will be undertaken to ensure effective program implementation:
2. **Quarterly meetings** between the **Chairperson, SFC, and Principal St. Xavier's College, Ranchi, or his nominee** to review progress, address challenges, and discuss strategic direction.
3. St. Xavier's College, Ranchi, will submit a quarterly progress report.

## **8: Representations, Rights, Warranties and Indemnities**

- **Duration, Amendment, Termination and Waiver:** This MoU is valid for a maximum tenure till March 2026, beginning from the date of signing of this MoU [Date of signing .....]
- Further extension to the MoU and terms and conditions may be decided based on mutual consent between both Parties. Additions or amendments maybe made to the clauses of this MoU on mutual written agreement between both Parties. This MoU may be terminated without assigning any reason whatsoever by either party by giving atleast 30 days of advance notice of such termination in writing to the other party.
- **Non-Binding Nature:** The Parties agree and understand that this MoU is non-binding and shall not create or give rise to any legally binding obligations upon the Parties to perform any activity or provide any funding.
- **No breach of Agreement:** The failure of a Party to fulfil any of its obligations hereunder shall not be considered to be a breach of, or default under, this MoU in so far as such inability arises from an event of Force Majeure, provided that the Party affected by such an event has taken all reasonable precautions, due care, and reasonable alternative measures, all with the objective of carrying out the terms and conditions of this MoU.
- **Non-Exclusivity for Third-party:** The Parties shall pursue the objectives of the MoU based on non-exclusivity. Neither party, its affiliates, employees, nor agents shall be restricted from making any arrangements or agreements with any third party for the purpose of conducting similar programs.



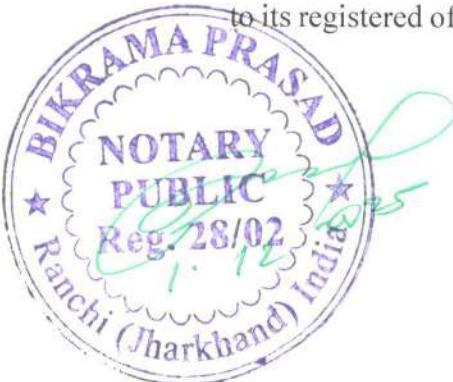
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- **Force Majeure:** Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the MoU, neither Party hereto shall be liable for reason of failure/delay in the performance of its duties and obligations under the MoU, if such failure or delay is caused by an event of force majeure.
- **Intellectual Property Rights:** Parties acknowledge that any Party/or its Partner's intellectual property rights (created prior to execution of this MoU as well as any changes, modifications, improvements, or developments made by such Partner/third party to its intellectual property pursuant to the purpose of this MoU) shall remain the sole and exclusive property of such Party/or its Partner, unless specifically stated otherwise or expressly granted. There are no implied Partner/third-party licenses or rights granted to any Parties/person.
- **Confidentiality:** For the purpose of this MoU, any personally identifiable data will be kept confidential. The data shared by the State Finance Commission, state government, local bodies, district administration and their offices will be used solely for the purpose of implementation of this MoU.
- **Publicity:** Parties may use the other party's logo jointly to increase participation and ownership of government functionaries in the implementation of this MoU in the jointly approved events.
- **Limitation of Liability:** In no event shall either Party have any liability to the other Party, end users, or any other third party, for any indirect, speculative, special, or consequential damages; neither Party shall have any liability under this MoU based on failure to ultimately complete the activities envisioned herein.
- **Dispute Settlement:** Any difference or dispute between the Parties concerning the interpretation and/or implementation and/or application of any of the provisions of this MoU shall be settled amicably through mutual consultation or negotiations between the Parties.
- **Notice:** Any Notice or intimation required to be given under the MoU shall be deemed to be served:

In the case of notice or intimation to the "State Finance Commission, Jharkhand", if it is to its registered office at the address stated above (unless a change of address has been duly



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intimated in writing to each of the other Party) by registered post acknowledgment due or by courier.

For SFC- Jharkhand, for the attention of its' Authorised Signatory:

Email: 5thsfcjharkhand@gmail.com

In the case of notice or intimation to *St. Xavier's College, Ranchi*, if it is sent to its address stated above (unless a change of address has been duly intimated in writing to each of the other Party) by registered post acknowledgment due or by courier.

For **St. Xavier's College, Ranchi**, for the attention of its' Authorised Signatory:

Email: sxcprincipal@gmail.com

- **Counterparts:** This MoU may be executed in two (2) counterparts, each of which, when so executed and delivered, shall be an original, in English language, but all of which shall together constitute one and the same instrument. Each Party undertakes with the other to do all things reasonably within its power, which are necessary or desirable to give effect to the spirit and intent of this Agreement.

Signed and executed for and on behalf of:

**5<sup>th</sup> State Finance Commission**

Signature:

By the Authorized Signatory:

Name:

Designation: Secretary, SFC, Jharkhand

Date:

Witness Signature:

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Signed and executed for and on behalf of:

**St. Xavier's College, Ranchi**

Signature:

By the Authorized Signatory:

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Designation: Principal, St. Xavier's College, Ranchi

Date:

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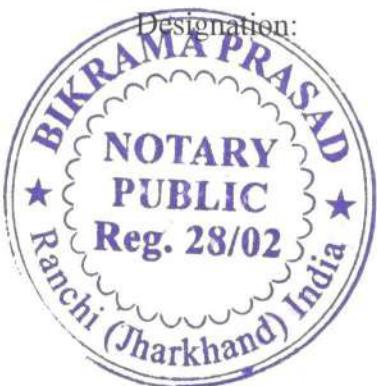
Name: Birendra Kumar Sinha

Designation: Associate Professor  
Dept. of Political Science, St. Xavier's College, Ranchi

Witness Signature:

Name:

Designation:



*Birendra  
1.12.2025*  
**NOTARY PUBLIC, RANCHI**