

Viludhu Trust Flat No TB, 6<sup>th</sup> Block, Jains Kences Appartment, Reddy Street, Virugambakkam, Chennai – 600092 and Stella Matutina College of Education (Autonomous), Ashok Nagar, Chennai - 600083. This Memorandum of Understanding has been executed at Chennai on 24.01.2024 through the Chief functionaries of the parties.



Stella Matutina College of Education (SMCE) under the Management of the Franciscan Sisters of the Presentation of Our Lady was established in July 1961. The College offers B.Ed., M.Ed., M.Phil and Ph.D. Degree courses. The College has been conferred Autonomous status in 2005. However, it continues to be an affiliated College of Tamil Nadu Teachers Education University and is autonomous in the sense that it is free to frame its own courses of study and to adopt innovative methods of teaching and evaluation. The college has been accredited the fivestar level by the National Assessment and Accreditation Council (NAAC) in April 2000, reaccredited at Grade 'A' level in 2007 and re-accredited (Third Cycle) at 'A' Grade with CGPA: 3.48 in December, 2014. National Council of Teacher Education (NCTE) has enhanced the duration of the B.Ed. and M.Ed. Courses to two academic years from 2015 - 2016. The College has been given due approval by NCTE for a B.Ed. intake of 200 students and M.Ed. intake of 50 students from the academic year 2015 - 16. Here Educational/ Social Awareness/ Technological Seminars, Conferences, Workshops and training are conducted periodically to instill an attitude of enquiry and desire for knowledge in students. The motto of the College is 'Attain truth by the path of love'. Our College aims at bringing desirable changes in the community at large particularly among the marginalized sections of society and also in the field of education.

**Viludhu Trust** is a non-profit service organization established to take a pragmatic approach to helping economically poor students to promote their growth and development of Education, Mental Health, and Life skill activities, create awareness about higher education, employment awareness, abolition of child labor, create Environmental Awareness, women and transgender empowerment. VILUDHU has been functioning for the past two decades in providing remedial help and support to these students, women, and transgender. We dedicate ourselves to economically poor students, women and transgender provide services in all related areas.

## **Purpose and Objectives:**

A Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) is entered into by SMCE and Viludhu Trust, aims to foster collaborations to enhance academic output and strengthen both institutions for mutual benefit. The primary focus is to develop academic and educational cooperation, providing student teachers with knowledge that promotes awareness of higher education, employment opportunities, eradication of child labor, environmental consciousness, and empowerment of women and transgender communities. With Viludhu Trust's dedicated commitment spanning over two decades, the organization has actively provided remedial assistance and support, contributing to the growth and development of those in need.

## Collaborative Initiatives:

- Organize and conduct training programs to enhance the skills and knowledge of student teachers.
- Issue certificates bearing the logos of Viludhu Trust and Stella Matutina College of Education to acknowledge the collaborative efforts.
- Emphasize and motivate, student teachers, Associate Professors, Assistant Professors, and others to actively participate and contribute as resource faculty.
- Facilitate joint research projects and initiatives between SMCE and Viludhu Trust, fostering a culture of academic inquiry and knowledge advancement.
- Engage in joint community outreach programs to address social issues, promote awareness, and contribute to the betterment of the local community.
- Organize workshops and training sessions focused on enhancing the practical skills and competencies of students, aligning with industry needs.
- Establish programs that facilitate cross-cultural exchanges between students, teachers, and professionals, promoting a global perspective in education.
- Organize and participate in joint academic events, conferences, and seminars to share knowledge, experiences, and best practices.

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- Implement mentorship programs that connect experienced educators with student teachers, fostering a supportive learning environment.
- Collaborate on initiatives promoting sustainability within educational institutions, incorporating eco-friendly practices and environmental awareness.
- Providing communication skills (spoken English) and educational motivation, sexual education, psychological counseling, etc. to government school students.

## **Discretion:**

This Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) is subject to the following:

That the final authority in regard to its implementation and coordination of its activities shall rest on the Head - VILUDHU Trust Flat No TB, 6<sup>th</sup> Block, Jains Kences Appartment, Reddy Street, Virugambakkam, Chennai- 600092. and Stella Matutina College of Education, (Autonomous) Ashok Nagar, Chennai - 600083 That the Memorandum of Understanding will remain valid for Three (3) years from the date of signing with the possibility of further renewal, and such renewal is subject to evaluation and subsequent agreement on the part of both the Parties/Institutions.

VILUDHU Trust Flat No TB, 6<sup>th</sup> Block, Jains Kences Appartment, Reddy Street, Virugambakkam, Chennai- 600092 and Stella Matutina College of Education, (Autonomous) Ashok Nagar, Chennai - 600083 agree that this Memorandum of Understanding may be amended by mutual agreement and that each Institution may unilaterally withdraw after six months' notice to the partner.

The functionaries shall meet <u>at least once in a Academic year</u> for planning and implementation of the programmes via video conference or face to face based on everyone's availability.

This Memorandum of Understanding was signed on 24.01.2024 by the designated authorities of both the parties.

For VILUPHU

(K.S. Mohanapriya) Chairman / Managing Trustee Viludhu Trust Flat No TB, 6<sup>th</sup> Block, Jains Kences Apt,Reddy Street, Virugambakkam,, Chennai – 600092



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Witness: