

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MOU)

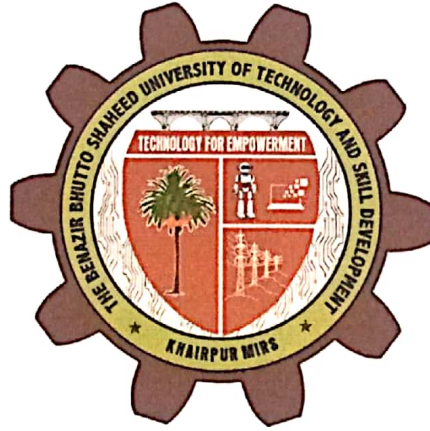
Between

SINDH BOARD OF TECHNICAL EDUCATION



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**The Benazir Bhutto Shaheed University of Technology and
Skill Development Khairpur Mirs**



THIS MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

(Hereinafter referred to as "MOU") is made on Monday September 18, 2023

Between the following parties:

Sindh Board of Technical Education

ST-22, Block 6, Main University Road, Gulshan-e-Iqbal, Karachi, Pakistan.
(hereinafter referred to as "SBTE")

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**The Benazir Bhutto Shaheed University of Technology and Skill
Development (BBSUTSD), Civil Hospital Road Khairpur Mirs**

The Benazir Bhutto Shaheed University of Technology and Skill Development (BBSUTSD), Khairpur Mirs and SBTE shall hereinafter referred to collectively as "Parties" and individually as a "Party")

WHEREAS:

1. Sindh Board of Technical Education (SBTE) was established under Sindh Ordinance No. XVI of 1970 to replace the defunct West Pakistan Board of Technical Education. The Board is responsible to organize, regulate, develop and control technical, vocational, industrial, and commercial education in the province of Sindh. The vision of SBTE is to provide certified skilled work force for economic development of Sindh province and the country by providing quality assessment and well recognized certification and facilitate competency-based training as per employer/industry needs.
2. To cater educational and professional trainings need for continuous upgrading of working professionals, BBSUTSD, Khairpur Mirs established in 2016. The purpose of establishment of this University to promote quality technology, skill and vocational trainings throughout the Sindh province. The University is providing services to the population of backward areas of North Sindh in particular. For all practical purposes and technical support BBSUTSD, Khairpur Mirs is working in collaboration with SBTE, Karachi with a state of the art technical/skill trainings focusing on quality of education in order to ensure to produce quality skilled workforce.
3. The parties share common and strong interests to promote and execute the Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL) in Sindh which is a new approach and being introduced in Pakistan to recognize and certify the competence and skills of millions of skilled worker coming out of informal TEVT sector known as USTAD SHAGIRDI SYSTEM. This approach will enable the skilled workers to get their skills recognized and subsequently they will have access to better job opportunities and further education. In technical terms-RPL- refers to a process that examines evidence of past learning and experience.

4. The parties recognize that collaboration and efforts in exploring opportunities and establishing a cooperative relationship would benefit the parties.
5. The MOU sets out below the general framework and intentions of the parties for collaboration for facilitation of further definitive agreement(s).
6. In achieving the objectives of this MOU, the parties shall work based on reciprocity in area of mutual interest within the parameters of the laws, constitutions, regulations and/or policies.

**ARTICLE 1:
Purpose of this MOU**

- a. The purpose of this MOU is to conduct RPL in an appropriate manner and set out the understanding between the parties without any intention to create legal relations, rather in the spirit of mutual cooperation, however both the parties shall abide by the SBTE Ordinance, Act and Rules and Regulations of the board. Any collaborative ventures that may bind the parties are subject to separate contractual arrangements.

**ARTICLE 2:
BBSUTSD, Khairpur Mirs and SBTE, Karachi agree on:**

- a) Recognition of prior learning is an assessment process that involves assessment of an individual's relevant prior learning (including formal, informal and non-formal learning) to determine the credit outcomes of an individual application for credit.
- b) The second party BBSUTSD, Khairpur Mirs will introduce RPL technique at the Skill Development Centre of the University.
- c) The 2nd Party will inform the Board about establishing Centre to conduct of RPL, where Board will issue notification for Temporary RPL Centre for a specific duration period to start of RPL Test.
- d) The BBSUTSD, Khairpur Mirs will announce a date for enrolment from their platform of the approved/ concerned qualification which facility available in BBSUTSD, Khairpur Mirs.
- e) BBSUTSD, Khairpur Mirs will forward a request to SBTE to allow the required qualifications.
- f) The SBTE will ensure the required expertize and assessment tools for assessment available in the Assessment Centre.
- g) The SBTE will give an ID / PASSWORD to BBSUTSD, Khairpur Mirs for uploading the candidates detail on NSIS Portal.
- h) The BBSUTSD, Khairpur Mirs will update candidate's data on NSIS Portal and send a request to SBTE for allotting the Registration Numbers.
- i) The BBSUTSD, Khairpur Mirs will deposit prescribed registration fee to the SBTE.



- j) The SBTE will allot registration numbers to the candidates.
k) The BBSUTSD, Khairpur Mirs will send a request for assessment.
l) The SBTE will schedule Assessment Plan and share it with the BBSUTSD, Khairpur Mirs. Per batch minimum Assesse detail is as follows:

Level 1-3	5-Nos
Level -4	4-Nos
Level-5	3-Nos

(In case the limit of assessee is less as per above detail then Assessor/ Verifier remuneration will be paid by the BBSUTSD, Khairpur Mirs)

- m) The BBSUTSD, Khairpur Mirs will deposit prescribed Assessment fee.
n) The SBTE will appoint an Assessor and Verifier and inform to the BBSUTSD, Khairpur Mirs.
o) The SBTE will download all the relevant Assessment Package from the NSIS Portal and pack in envelop.
p) The SBTE will send assessment package to the CAMPUS MANAGER of the Assessment Center.
q) The Manager Assessment Center will send back assessment sheets to the SBTE.
r) The SBTE will upload result on the NSIS Portal and issue certificates of the competent candidates.
s) The fee structure will be as follows:

Level	Registration Fee	Assessment Fee	Certificate Fee	Total Fee
*1	2000	1500	1500	5000
2		2000		5500
3		2500		6000
4		3500		7000
5		5500		9000

* If Level 1 is available in the NVQF

ARTICLE 3 FEE/ Validity and Renewal of the MOU

- a) This MOU is valid and shall remain in effect for one (1) years (12 RPL Assessment Session) from the date of this MOU and may be renewed upon the mutual agreement of the parties, such renewal to be expressly agreed in writing by both parties before the end of the one year period.
b) The MOU fee is Rs.10,000/-for one year. However, Rs.2500/ each trade/ course as a course affiliation fee will be paid by BBSUTSD, Khairpur Mirs to SBTE.
c) Any party can terminate this MOU by giving one (01) month written notice to the other party. Not-with-standing the expiry or the earlier termination of this MOU, the obligations of the parties in any definitive agreement that is negotiated and executed herein shall survive and remain binding on the parties in accordance with the terms of that agreement.




- d) In case of termination of the contract both the parties will make sure the candidate/ Assesse settlement

ARTICLE 4 Notices

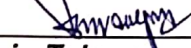
Any notice or communication between the parties shall be delivered to the address, sent to the facsimile number or emailed to the following:

SBTE, Karachi

Focal Person: 
Muhammad Akram Samo
Designation: Secretary
Contact: 0333 2724269
Email: samomakram@gmail.com



BBSUTSD, Khairpur mirs

Focal Person: 
Mir Sajjad Hussain Talpur
Designation: Dean, Faculty of SD
Contact: 0333 5147140
Email: deansd@bbsutsd.edu.pk

ARTICLE 5 Name and Logo

- a) Neither party shall use, nor permit any person or entity to use the name nor logo (or any variation thereof) of the other party without first obtaining the written consent of the other party.

ARTICLE 6 Non-Binding Nature of the MOU

- a. This MOU shall not constitute any partnership between the parties.
b. Notwithstanding the statements and obligations herein, this MOU shall not create a legal relationship between the parties and the parties shall not be legally bound until and unless a definitive agreement has been negotiated and duly executed by the authorized representatives of SBTE and BBSUTSD, Khairpur Mirs.

ARTICLE 7 Cooperation and Relationship

- a) The parties realize that it is not feasible to adequately foresee and address every issue involving the collaboration of the parties herein. Hence, the parties shall use their best endeavors to realize their expertise in carrying




out the steps and measures necessary for furthering their mutual interest under this MOU in accordance with the spirit of good faith, equity, fairness, close cooperation, mutual assistance and if any dispute arises, the parties shall use their best endeavors to agree upon such action as may be necessary and equitable to remove or resolve the cause or causes the same.

- b) The parties understand that their reputations are of critical importance and undertake not to take any action, in relation to this MOU or otherwise, which might damage the reputation of the other party.

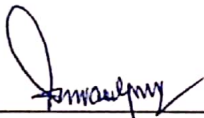
IN WITNESS WHEREOF BBSUTSD, Kkairpur Mirs AND SBTE hereunto have executed this Memorandum of Understanding on the year and date first above written:

SIGNED BY

For and on behalf of

BBSUTSD, Khairpur Mirs

Sindh Board of Technical Education



Mir Sajjad Hussain Talpur
Dean Faculty of Skill Development
BBSUTSD, Khairpur Mirs



Muhammad Akram Samo
Secretary, SBTE
Sindh Board of Technical Education

Countersigned by the



Vice Chancellor, BBSUTSD



Chairman, SBTE

