

Memorandum of Understanding

Between

Indian Institute of Technology Jodhpur
Karwar, Jodhpur, 342030, Rajasthan, India



And

National Institute of Technology Manipur
Langol Rd, Lamphelpat, Imphal, Manipur 795004, India



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Indian Institute of Technology Jodhpur, hereinafter referred as *IIT Jodhpur*, having its office at NH-62 Nagaur Road, Karwar, Jodhpur District-342030 (Rajasthan) and represented by its *Director*, and the *National Institute of Technology Manipur*, hereinafter referred as, having its office at Langol Rd, Lamphelpat, Imphal, Manipur 795004, India. and represented by its *Director*, agree on offering direct admission to Ph.D. Programmes by IIT Jodhpur for meritorious B.Tech. students of *NIT Manipur*.

1. Aim

This *Memorandum of Understanding (MoU)* aims at offering Direct admission to Ph.D. Programmes of IIT Jodhpur for meritorious B.Tech. students of National Institute of Technology Manipur. The students having CGPA of 8.0 or above and in top 10 ranks in their class after seventh semester will be offered direct admission to PhD programme without any need to appear and qualify GATE or written examination. The selection could be done by a quick online/in-person interview, or direct admission offers can be made. Moreover, MoU also aims to encourage the faculty members of NIT Manipur and IIT Jodhpur to write joint research projects.

This MoU does not bind either of the two parties legally or financially.

2. Terms and Conditions

The institutes agree that this MoU *does not constitute a formal legal agreement*, giving rise to any legal relationship, rights, duties or consequences. The following aspects shall hold:

1. Eligibility Criteria for students of NIT Manipur for Direct Admission to PhD at IIT Jodhpur
 - a. Top 10 rank in their respective batch of the program at NIT Manipur
 - b. CGPA of 8.0
2. Application Fee: One-Time Application Fee (Non-Refundable): Rs. 5000/-.

3. Other Aspects:

- a. Interested and eligible NIT Manipur students can also be considered for **early admission to the Ph.D. programmes after their 5th semester**, if they meet the above-mentioned eligibility criteria after their fifth semester. For the same, NIT Manipur students can apply for early admission to PhD with possibility of a project/internship during their last two semesters at IIT Jodhpur.
- b. The students (3rd Year B.Tech. and 1st Year M.Sc. having CGPA above 7.0) will be eligible for paid summer internship opportunities through the **SURAJ** (Summer Undergraduate Research at Jodhpur) program offered by IIT Jodhpur
- c. The Direct Ph.D. offers will provide options for both M.Tech. and Ph.D. degree at the end of their graduation in addition to Ph.D. degree alone.

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- d. Collaboration will be encouraged in the domains/disciplines of mutual interest between faculty from NIT Manipur and IIT Jodhpur to write joint project proposals.
- e. For the early PhD program, students will be provided hostel accommodation in IIT Jodhpur Campus. These students will be permitted to participate in research/project/internship (summer/winter) activities.
4. **Validity:** This MoU shall come into force from the date of signature of the *MoU*, and shall remain in force, unless it is mutually agreed otherwise.
5. **Termination:** The MoU may be terminated in writing by one of the parties giving a written notice to the other of at least *6 months*. Any ongoing and scheduled activity at that time shall not be affected. Amendments to this MoU may be made only by mutual agreement in writing by the *Directors* of the Institutes.
6. **Dispute Resolution:** Where a problem or dispute arises between the Institutes, they shall seek to resolve and settle the matter *amicably* by direct discussion between *themselves* to the best of their endeavours. If the matter cannot be resolved in this manner, the Directors of the Institutes shall examine the matter, and pronounce the decision; this decision shall be binding on the affected individuals.
7. **Coordinators:** For the purposes of this MoU, the Coordinators from the Institutes shall be appointed from time to time, the details of which shall be shared with the other institute.

IN WITNESS HEREOF, this MoU is executed on the 20th day of the month of February in the year 2026 in Jodhpur by and between the *Indian Institute of Technology Jodhpur* and the *National Institutes of Technology Manipur* for and on behalf of the two Institutes by:

D V L N Somayajulu 20.2.2026
Prof. D V L N Somayajulu
Director, NIT Manipur
Manipur

Avinash Kumar Agarwal 20/02/2026
Prof. Avinash Kumar Agarwal
Director, IIT Jodhpur
Rajasthan

Witnesses
For NIT Manipur *[Signature]* 20/02/26
Name: Prof. A. Dinamani Singh.
Designation: Dean (R&C)

B. Satapathy 20/02/2026
Witnesses
For IIT Jodhpur
Name: Prof. Bhabani K. Satapathy
Designation: Professor