MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT FOR COOPERATION

BETWEEN

DEPARTMENT OF ANIMAL HEALTH AND MANAGEMENT ALAGAPPA UNIVERSITY KARAIKUDI, TAMILNADU, INDIA AND

TAMIL NADU SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH ORGANISATION PUDUKKOTTAI, TAMILNADU, INDIA

Alagappa University (AU) and Tamilnadu Scientific Research Organization (TNSRO), enter into this agreement to foster national cooperation in education, research and economic development.

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- 1. The parties agree to encourage the following activities in particular to promote academic cooperation:
 - Exploration of possibilities for collaboration research.
 - Exchange information of academic materials, research publications, collaborate in writing and publishing where possible
 - DAHM-AU and TNSRO shall share laboratory, equipments, library resources,
 databases etc.
 - Enhancing scientific temper among the rural students through imparting science based education
 - To submit joint proposals to Indian and abroad funding agencies for collaborative research and for their upliftment of rural and tribal people.
 - Organization of joint scientific meetings, seminars, workshops, symposia in identified subjects of cooperation.

Before specific activities can be implemented, the parties shall extend and enter into specific activity agreement based on the form of implementation jointly agreed upon subsequent to this Agreement. Implementation of specific collaborative programs will depend upon the availability of funds and continued mutual interest of the partners. DAHM-AU and TNSRO will assist each other with applications to funding agencies for financial support when deemed appropriate by both parties.

DAHM-AU and TNSRO agree to establish and implement scientific, technological and educational cooperation by means of exchanging the collaborative research, proceeding Postgraduate, graduate and postdoctoral programs, holding symposiums and conducting joint research projects. Specific emphasis is made on topics related to aquaculture, Vermiculture and Medicinal Plants Research, Village promotion through Biotechnology including sustainable culture technologies, diseases, bioengineering and socioeconomic aspects of aquaculture industry.

- 2. Both institutions subscribe to a policy of equal opportunities and will not discriminate on the basis of race, gender, ethnicity, religion, national origin, or disability.
- 3. The Agreement becomes effective upon affixing the last required signature. It shall remain in force for five (5) years and may be renewed by the written agreement of the parties. The Agreement should be reviewed every five years. The Agreement may be terminated by either party upon at least 90 days in advance written notice. Such termination shall not affect activities in progress at the time the notice is received.

4. This Agreement constitutes the entire agreement between the parties, and all prior discussions, agreements and understanding, whether verbal or written, are hereby merged into this Agreement. This Agreement is not considered a binding contract creating legal and financial relationships between the parties, but designed as a means to facilitate and develop a genuine and mutually beneficial process for the collaboration.

Sd/- Registrar Alagappa University Karaikudi,TN,India 14.3.2017 Director of TNSRO Pudukkottai TN,India