AGREEMENT FOR ACADEMIC COLLABORATION AND EXCHANGE BETWEEN 
THE ACHARYA N. G. RANGA AGRICULTURAL UNIVERSITY 
AND 
VIRGINIA POLYTECHNIC INSTITUTE AND STATE UNIVERSITY (VIRGINIA TECH)

This agreement is made and entered into by and between the Acharya N. G. Ranga Agricultural University, hereafter referred to as ANGRAU, Hyderabad, India, and Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University, hereafter referred to as Virginia Tech, Blacksburg, Virginia, U.S.A. Its primary objective is to facilitate the development of cooperative and collaborative efforts between ANGRAU and Virginia Tech, which will develop and increase academic interchange between the two institutions. Recognizing the importance of mutual collaboration and the contributions to society made by these two institutions of higher education, the parties desire to promote exchange between the faculty and students of the two institutions as well as the exchange of academic and research information. The parties hereto agree as follows:

PART I

Area of Collaboration

The area of collaboration includes, subject to mutual consent, any research, education, and exchange program offered at either institution and proposed by either as desirable, feasible, and contributory to fostering and developing the cooperative relationship between the two institutions. It will be of great mutual benefit if the institutions develop joint projects and share knowledge in areas of current common activity, as well as in the areas in which one institution has a particular strength.

Specific projects in an area of academic interest will be selected as a result of coordination by UNMSM and Virginia Tech at the appropriate administrative level in each institution.

PART II

Basis for Collaboration

All research, education, and other collaborative activities conducted pursuant to this agreement shall be conducted in accordance with the laws and regulations appropriate to each institution. In the case of Virginia Tech, these are the laws of the United States of America, the Commonwealth of Virginia, and the rules and regulations of Virginia Tech. In the case of ANGRAU, these are the laws of the Government of India, Acharya N. G. Ranga Agricultural University Act and Laws. The parties recognize that ANGRAU is governed by its Act and can only act within the Act.
Designated liaison for ANGRAU is Dr. I. V. Subba Rao, Vice-Chancellor, or his representative, and for Virginia Tech is Dr. S. K. De Datta, Director, Office of International Research, Education, and Development. Change in liaison designation may be accomplished by notifying the other university.

PART III

Obligations for Scientist and Student Exchange

For the implementation of the agreement, the two parties agree to the following obligations:

The obligations of Virginia Tech are:

- To receive mutually agreed upon students of ANGRAU to participate in specified academic activities that are offered by Virginia Tech. It is understood by both parties that those personnel of ANGRAU who wish to participate in an activity or program at Virginia Tech must meet all admission requirements for that activity or program. It is further understood that funds will be identified before each such exchange commences, and that availability of activities are dependent upon annually designated priorities by the two institutions.

- To render to the faculty and students of ANGRAU participating in activities at Virginia Tech the necessary logistic support as available, including office space, library facilities, and other such resources as they may be available.

The obligations of ANGRAU are:

- To receive mutually agreed upon students of Virginia Tech to participate in specified academic activities that are offered by ANGRAU. It is understood by both parties that those personnel of Virginia Tech who wish to participate in an activity or program at ANGRAU must meet all admission requirements for that activity or program. It is further understood that funds will be identified before each such exchange commences, and that availability of activities are dependent upon annually designated priorities by the two institutions.

- To render to the faculty and students of Virginia Tech participating in activities at ANGRAU the necessary logistic support as available, including office space, library facilities, and other such resources as they may be available.

Both parties agree that arrangements to fulfill the above-mentioned obligations will be considered on a case-by-case basis and included in specific contractual instruments executed by both institutions.
PART IV

Industry Interaction

Collaborative efforts will be more effective if industries and other organizations associated with food and agricultural production are involved; thus, both parties will explore interactions with related industries. Specific projects in an area of mutual educational interest will be jointly selected by the two parties. As these projects are developed, each will require a specific written Cooperative Agreement made in advance, which sets forth the terms and conditions thereof and executed by both institutions.

PART VIII

Effective Date and Duration of Agreement

This agreement shall take effect when executed by both parties. It will remain in effect for a period of five years after its first signing. Any amendment or modification of this agreement requires the written approval of the Presidents of the two institutions, which shall be appended thereto. After the initial five year period, the agreement may be renewed for an additional period of five years by mutual agreement. Either institution reserves the right to terminate this agreement upon providing 90 days written notice to the other.

Each party reserves the right to terminate this agreement upon six months written notice to the other.

In witness thereof, the responsible parties hereto offer their signatures.

VIRGINIA POLYTECHNIC INSTITUTE AND STATE UNIVERSITY (VIRGINIA TECH)  ACHARYA N.G. RANGA AGRICULTURAL UNIVERSITY (ANGRAU)

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