



Memorandum of Understanding between EASTERN UNIVERSITY, SRI LANKA and NATIONAL PEACE COUNCIL OF SRI LANKA

Advanced Certificate Course - Sustaining Peace through Pluralism and Inclusive Service Delivery
(Funded by FREEDOM HOUSE)

1. The MOU/Agreement

This Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) is entered between Eastern University, Sri Lanka (hereinafter referred as EUSL) and the National Peace Council of Sri Lanka (hereinafter referred to as NPC), bearing registration No. L 06108 and having its office at No 12/14, Purana Vihara Road, Colombo 6, and represented by its Vice Chancellor and represented by its Executive Director for delivering four (4) months Advanced Certificate Course “Sustaining peace through pluralism and inclusive service delivery (SP-PISD)” through the University system of the Eastern University, Sri Lanka.

Under this project, NPC wishes to facilitate the delivery of the above mentioned Certificate Course through the University system on the terms and conditions hereinafter set forth.

2. The time frame of the Agreement

This agreement will be in force from 27th July 2022 to 26th November 2022 (Requested an extension from FH) with the parties having the option to extend the duration, with mutual consent until the course is successfully commenced.

3. Description of the Project

With the objective of addressing ethnic and religious conflicts in the country, NPC launched a pilot project to promote pluralism through inclusive service delivery. Under this project, NPC facilitated development of the Certificate course “Sustaining Peace through Pluralism and Inclusive Service Delivery”. The Course curriculum has been fully developed by a panel of university academics with logistical support from NPC. The key target is to deliver this course to front-line government officers who are the interface between the general public and the delivery point of inclusive services. It is expected that with this course the quality and efficiency of inclusive services will improve in a non-discriminative manner over the time.

In order to induce front-line government officers to take this course, it is necessary to have good accreditation/recognition and therefore, NPC wishes to deliver this course through the university system.

3.1 Project Goal

Promotion of pluralism and inclusive service delivery through frontline government officials to ensure that ethnic and religious grievances are minimized.

3.2 Objective

Enhancing the role of the local universities in promotion of inclusive service delivery, Pluralism and Peacebuilding skills.

3.3 Target Groups

The key target group is front-line government officials in the Eastern province. However, the University has the discretion to accept limited number of applications from other groups such as civil society activists.

3.4 Roles and responsibilities

- I. EUSL will arrange the required logistical arrangements such as venues, lecturers, examination, etc., needed to deliver the certificate course.
- II. EUSL will execute formal procedures to enroll the students to this course. The actions may include, but are not limited to advertisements, sending a prospectus to government institutes, direct consultations, etc.
- III. Together with NPC lobbying and advocating with government institutes and high ranking officials to promote this course so that government officers will be motivated to attend this certificate course.
- IV. Support NPC to conclude this project successfully within the given time frame.

04. Project Expenses

NPC will bear the total cost related to the delivery of the course to the first batch of forty (40) students. As such, NPC will release the total budgeted amount of Rupees One Million One Hundred and Forty thousand (Rs. 1,140,000) as stated in the budget in two installments of 50% each. The first installment will be released on signing the agreement and the second installment will be released after lapse of one month from the date of commencement of the course.

05. Non-Performance


If the EUSL fails to fulfill its obligations as specified in the Memorandum of Understanding, NPC reserves the right to terminate the agreement by notifying the university in writing, and in such an event the university is bound to refund the unused and uncommitted funds to NPC.

06. Revision of Terms

The terms and conditions of this agreement may be revised with the mutual consent of both parties if the need arises.

This Agreement will be automatically terminated at the end of the Project.

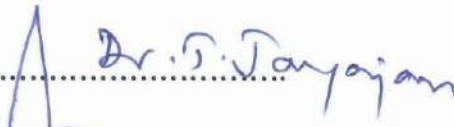
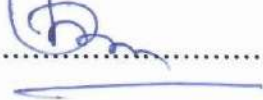
THE AGREEMENT IS SIGNED IN DUPLICATE AND EACH PARTY SHOULD RETAIN ONE COPY.


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National Peace Council of Sri Lanka
27th July 2022



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Designation: Vice Chancellor
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