

# **INTERNATIONAL SCIENTIFIC INTERCHANGE AGREEMENT**

**Between**

**AUBURN UNIVERSITY  
The Alabama Agricultural Experiment Station**

**And**

**VAISHNAVI BIOTECH LIMITED**

**AUBURN UNIVERSITY**, Auburn, Alabama, USA, and **VAISHNAVI BIOTECH LTD**, Secunderabad, Telangana India, wishing to develop cooperative relations on the basis of established contacts and mutual understandings, especially to develop scientific and cultural interchange through mutual assistance in the areas of research and plant variety development, agree as follows:

## **PART I**

### **Area of Cooperation**

The area of cooperation includes, subject to mutual consent and appropriate conditions, any program offered at either organization and proposed by either as desirable, feasible, and contributory to the fostering and development of the cooperative relationship between them.

## **PART II**

### **Methods**

All understandings and assistance shall be subject to availability of funds and the specific approval of the Director of the Alabama Agricultural Experiment Station of **AUBURN UNIVERSITY**, and of the **VAISHNAVI BIOTECH LTD**, through such activities or programs as:

1. Exchange of scientific and technical staff
2. Exchange of students and staff
3. Conduct joint research activities
4. Participation in seminars and meetings
5. Special short-term training programs
6. Cultural exchange activities
7. Exchange of plant genetic material
8. Joint licensing of varieties and cultivars
9. Degree training at Auburn and practical experience in China
10. Engage in consultancies
11. Other activities as deemed mutually appropriate.

The terms of such mutual assistance and necessary budget for each program and activity shall be mutually discussed and agreed upon in writing by both parties prior to the initiation of the particular activity or program. Furthermore it is understood that each institution will enter into specific program by program written agreements as required for compliance with the respective immigration regulations of the parties involved. Each organization will designate a Liaison Contact Officer to develop specific activities or programs for approval by the respective organizations.

**PART III**  
**Effective Date and Length of Agreement**

This agreement will remain in force for a period of five years subject to the availability of funds, and any amendment and/or modification of this agreement requires a written approval of each and all parties: the **Alabama Agricultural Experiment Station at AUBURN UNIVERSITY**, and that of **VAISHNAVI BIOTECH LTD** and shall be appended hereto. After the initial five-year period, this agreement may be renewed by written consent of all parties.


Each party reserves the right to terminate this agreement upon six (6) months written notice to the others. Any individual activities to be continued will be specifically identified and provided for at the time of termination.

Each party shall be responsible for assuring full compliance by its participants with applicable laws and regulations, including insurance, of the respective nations.

Nothing contained herein or in the activities conducted hereunder shall constitute either party the agent, servant or employee of the other party, and each party shall be fully and solely responsible for its own actions and obligations.

This agreement shall take effect on the date of final signature indicated below and IN WITNESS WHEREOF; the parties hereto have offered their signatures:

For **The Alabama Agricultural  
Experiment Station  
AUBURN UNIVERSITY**

  
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Dr. William BATCHELOR  
Director  
Date : 1-18-15

For **VAISHNAVI  
BIOTECH LTD**

  
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Mr. KSN Muralidhar  
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