# MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MoU)

Between
Phikkal Rural Municipality,
Sindhuli

&
The British College,
Kathmandu

### 1. Preamble

Recognizing the shared vision of fostering entrepreneurship, innovation, and sustainable development in Phikkal Rural Municipality, both parties agree to collaborate under this MoU to:

- Promote startup incubation, skill development, and job creation.
- Enhance agriculture, tourism, and digital transformation initiatives.
- Empower women, youth, and marginalized communities through economic opportunities.

This MoU serves as a framework for cooperation and does not create legally binding financial obligations.

### 2. Objectives

The collaboration aims to:

- Support incubation and training programs for local entrepreneurs.
- Support agri-tech, tourism, and handicraft startups.
- Conduct skill development workshops (digital literacy, business management).
- Facilitate market access and funding opportunities for startups.
- Study smart village and digital governance initiatives.

# 3. Roles & Responsibilities

### A. Phikkal Rural Municipality Shall:

- Identify and mobilize local entrepreneurs, farmers, and youth for programs.
- Provide logistical support (venue, local outreach, community engagement).
- Facilitate government approvals and policy support where needed.
- Explore co-funding or grant opportunities for joint projects.

### B. TBC Incubation Center Shall:

- Design and implement incubation programs, mentorship, and training.
- Offer technical expertise, networking, and investor linkages.
- Assist in digital transformation and innovation projects.
- Monitor and evaluate program outcomes for scalability.

### C. Joint Responsibilities:

- Form a Steering Committee (1 rep from each party) to oversee progress.
- Organize quarterly review meetings to assess impact.
- Jointly promote success stories and fundraising efforts.

# 4. Financial Arrangements

- Initial activities will be funded through existing resources from both parties.
- Additional projects may seek external grants, CSR funds, or government schemes.
- Costs will be shared as mutually agreed in separate agreements per project.

### 5. Duration & Termination

- This MoU is valid for 2 years, renewable upon mutual consent.
- Either party may terminate with 30 days' written notice.

## 6. Confidentiality & Intellectual Property

- Both parties agree to protect sensitive data shared during collaboration.
- IP rights for innovations will be jointly discussed per project.

### 7. Miscellaneous

- Amendments require written agreement from both parties.
- Disputes shall be resolved through mutual discussion.

# 8. Signatures

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President

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Date: 4/23/2025

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