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Memorandum of Understanding

The Memorandum of Understanding is made on 30<sup>th</sup> January, 2024  
Between

The University of Mysore, having its registered office at Mysuru, Karnataka represented herein by its Registrar (here in after referred to as the *University of Mysore*) of the one part:

And

The Mythic Society, having its registered office at Bangalore, Karnataka now being represented by its Secretary (here in after referred to as *The Mythic Society*) of the two part:

Registrar  
Statutory Alert:  
University of Mysore  
Mysuru

(S. RAVI)  
Secretary  
The Mythic Society  
Nrupatunga Road,  
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## University of Mysore

The University of Mysore is among the famous, prestigious and very few oldest universities in India. It was established in 1916 as a result of the efforts made by the benevolent and visionary Maharaja of erstwhile Princely State of Mysore His Highness Shri Nalvadi Krishnaraja Wadiyar - IV and the then Diwan Sir M. Visvesvaraya. Mysore University is the first University in Karnataka State to be Accredited by NAAC. On the recommendations of Karnataka Knowledge Commission, the Karnataka Government has considered Mysore University as an "Innovative University". Current Science has ranked Mysore University as one of the top 20 Universities in Scientific and Research endeavours.

### Vision

To aspire to become a world-class University by tapping human resources from all sections of society by offering them opportunities to learn across disciplines, and to build human capital, men and women of character and competence capable of being leaders of tomorrow and solving problems arising out of fast changing realities, both global and local.

### 1. Mythic Society


Mythic Society is a pioneering institution of India Studies in South India founded in Bangalore in 1909 by a few visionary European and Indian Scholars committed to preserve, enrich and promote the cultural heritage of India and especially the then Mysore state. Many eminent personalities including Sri Nalwadi Krishnaraja Wadiyar, Sayyaji Rao Gaekwad III, Baroda, Moolam Thirunal Rama Varma V., Sri Gurudev Rabindranath Tagore, Mahatma Gandhi, Sir C.V. Raman, Dr Ananda Coomaraswamy, Dr. M. Krishna, Sir M. Visvesvaraya, Sir Mirza Ismail etc. have been associated with Mythic Society in various capacities. The Society is engaged in activities connected with disciplines of History, Archaeology, Epigraphy, Numismatics, Philosophy, Folklore, Art and Architecture and other allied studies since its inception. It has conducted several national and international seminars on History, Art, Architecture, Culture, etc. in addition to the monthly lectures.

Mythic Society also hosts a library which serves as a unique repository with an invaluable collection of 46000 rare books for students and researchers of art, history and culture.

### 2. Objectives of MOU

The Department of Studies in Ancient History and Archacology, Manasagangotri, University of Mysore, Mysuru, proposes to carry out archaeological excavations in collaboration with the Mythic Society, Bengaluru. Three potential archaeological sites have been identified for excavation, namely T. Narasipura and Bommanahalli (T. Narasipura Taluk, Mysuru district) and

  
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Dodda Alattur (Hanur Taluk, Chamarajanagara district). After final inspection, one of these sites shall be taken up for excavation during the seasons 2023-24 and/or 2024-25.

### 3. Scope of MOU and Proposed modes of collaboration

- The excavation will be a joint venture for each of the parties and their team of associates.
- The Director of the excavation will be Dr. V. Shobha, Associate Professor and Chairperson, Department of Studies in Ancient History and Archaeology, Manasagangotri, University of Mysore, Mysuru. The Director will be fully assisted by the staff and students of the Department in all the work relating to the excavation.
- That the University of Mysore shall obtain applicable statutory approvals and licenses for the purpose of excavation and study. The Mythic Society shall be completely indemnified in this regard.
- That the University of Mysore shall take utmost care and caution in handling the process of excavation and maintaining the artifacts. The University of Mysore shall use its professional knowledge in order to achieve the relevant objective.
- The Mythic Society will directly fund the entire excavation project including transportation, accommodation and other logistics, TA and DA for the team, purchase of implements and supplies, stationary, hiring of technical staff for photography, surveying, etc., hiring of assistants, on temporary basis, for post-excavation documentation and analysis of remains, and for scientific analysis and dating of samples/artefacts. The expenditure will be billed directly to "The Mythic Society" & The Mythic Society will settle all the payments to the concerned persons/service provider involved in the project.
- The University of Mysore will make provision for official duty leave (OOD) for the excavation team including the Director of excavation.
- The antiquities and other finds acquired during the excavation project will be housed in the Department of Studies in Ancient History and Archaeology, University of Mysore, Mysuru, to facilitate post-excavation analysis and writing of the excavation report.
- The final report will be prepared by the Director of the excavation in co-ordination with the Mythic society and the report will be published jointly.
- The authorized representatives of the parties may only make alterations or amendments to this Memorandum, and/or any agreements to further the co-operation between the parties, in writing.

  
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- Both parties acknowledge and respect that, unless agreed otherwise, any intellectual property generated through joint projects and activities managed under the Memorandum will be owned by University of Mysore & The Mythic Society. All other intellectual property generated outside of this Memorandum, including any such intellectual property generated individually as part of a coordinated campaign, project or activity, will remain the property of the authoring body.
- Nothing in this Memorandum shall prevent the parties from contracting with third parties on a similar basis with regards to the subject matter of this Memorandum.
- The parties shall not be deemed to be agents of each other and shall not be entitled to bind the other in any way.
- In the event of any dispute arising between the parties hereto in respect of the terms of this Memorandum, the dispute shall be referred to a committee of two persons, consisting of Authorized Signatory from each party, or their nominated representative. This committee shall act in good faith and use all reasonable endeavors to resolve the dispute to the mutual satisfaction of the parties, any such resolution to be ratified by their respective boards. If resolution is not reached, the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor to the University of Mysore shall act as arbitrator and the matter shall be resolved under his adjudication.
- Each party shall treat as confidential all information obtained from the other Party under or in connection with this Memorandum. Where information is requested from either party under Freedom of Information, the party receiving the request will consult with the other party where the information to be disclosed covers any aspect of their activity or other relevant information.


#### 4. FORCE MAJEURE

No Institution covered under this agreement shall be liable for any failure to perform its obligation where such failure is a result of Acts of God, which are here defined as force majeure

#### 5. DURATION AND TERMINATION


This AGREEMENT shall come into effect on the date of signature by the two Institutions and shall remain in force for an initial period of two (2) years, unless otherwise terminated by mutual consent, and with 30 days prior written notice to the other Institution.

  
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IN WITNESS WHERE OF, the undersigned being duly authorized by their respective Institutions, have signed

Registrar  
University of Mysore  
Mysuru

  
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(Signature)  
Registrar  
University of Mysore  
Mysuru


30-01-2024  
(Date)



Witness

(V. SHOBHA).  
Associate Professor  
and Chairperson  
DOs in Ancient History  
and Archaeology  
Manasayangudi

Secretary  
The Mythic Society  
Bengaluru

  
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30-01-2024  
(Date)

Witness



Dr. Rohitha Eswar  
Associate Professor  
Dept. of SA/IA, AFH,  
V. Lakshminarayana College, UoM.