MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

BETWEEN



BISHOP JEROME INSTITUTE (BJI)

Fatima Road, Kollam 691001

AND



BISHOP BENZIGER HOSPITAL (BBH)

Kollam 691001

This **Memorandum of Understanding (MOU)** is entered on the ____ day of June, 2025 by and between:

- ▶ BISHOP JEROME INSTITUTE (hereafter called in short as BJI), Fatima College Road, Kollam 691001, hereinafter referred to as FIRST PARTY, represented by its Manager, REV. FR. BENJAMINE PALLIYADIYIL, the expression of which shall mean and include its successors in office and assignees; And
- ▶ BISHOP BENZIGER HOSPITAL (hereafter called in short as BBH), Kollam 691001, hereinafter referred to as SECOND PARTY, represented by its Director, REV. FR. JOHN BRITTO, the expression of which shall mean and include its successors in office and assignees;

WHEREAS the First Party (BJI), in its commitment to the health and well-being of its academic community, is desirous to use the Second Party's (BBH) premier medical institutional facilities in good spirit, and whenever there is a medical emergency and/or requirement to the First Party's faculty, staff, students and/or any other visiting or other personnel in our campus premises.

WHEREAS the Second Party (BBH), well known for its advanced medical facilities and experienced professionals, is desirous to provide, in good spirit all available medical support facilities including consultation, diagnosis, laboratory tests, in-patient, out-patient and pharmaceutical support, etc., whenever required by the First Party and/or any of its employees or staff members and/or associates, regardless of the type and gravity of the medical emergency.

WHEREAS both Parties, being sister concerns under the Corporate Management of the Catholic Diocese of Quilon, are desirous to agree on certain terms & conditions in accordance with the below stated 'Provisions':



Provisions by First Party

The First Party (BJI) hereby affirms that it need the services of the Second Party (BBH) to be available on 24/7 for provision MEDICAL FACILITIES including AMBULANCE services.

- a) The First Party confirms that it has a student strength of approximately 1,000 in addition to the staff strength of approximately 200.
- b) The First Party is a credible and professional educational institution catering to the educational requirements in the district of Kollam, and are willing to participate in the Second Party's mission to provide quality health care services, by engaging in various support activities, namely:
 - i. Blood donation camps
 - ii. Organ donation camps
 - iii. Health awareness and education programs
 - iv. Patient support programs
 - v. Hospital volunteer programs and
 - vi. Fundraising campaigns
- c) The First Party further confirms that, its operation and academic programs are strictly in line with the rules and regulations established by APJ Abdul Kalam Technological University (KTU), as well as All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE) and the Council of Architecture (COA).
- d) The First Party follows a five-day academic working pattern; though administrative functions are operative during Saturdays. Further, there might be additional classes or add-on classes during weekends, and the college infrastructure facility may be open to hold potential external events during weekends.
- e) It is further confirmed that the First Party has round the clock Security personnel deployed at the entrance gate, who might be the primary contact on an emergency situation.



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The Second Party (BBH) hereby confirms of the below terms to the First Party:

- a) Second Party will provide all necessary medical support as might be required, including Emergency/casualty situations, ambulance services, regular medical checkups, tests and medicines.
- b) The medical support facilities and expertise provisions shall be handled and serviced by none other than the appointed and qualified professional experts of the Second Party.
- c) The Second Party's Staff at the facility shall take special care in their attitude, approach and interaction, noting that the majority of the First Party's members are students and young adults.
- d) Subject to mutual consent by both Parties, the Second Party shall organize various Health Care programs (workshops, seminars, lectures, etc..) for the students of the First Party, at the First Party's campus, namely:
 - i. Mental health awareness programs
 - ii. Sexual health education sessions
 - iii. Substance abuse prevention awareness programs
 - iv. Disease prevention, Nutrition and wellness programs
 - v. First Aid and basic life support
 - vi. Menstrual and health hygiene, and
 - vii. Emergency response and crisis management
- e) The Second Party confirms that it is fully compliant too the State's established legal requirements concerning hospitals, activities and its facilitations.



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- f) The Second Party confirms that necessary ambulance or adequately facilitated medical transport facility will be provided to the First Party when required.
- g) It is affirmed that the Second Party's Emergency department shall be primary point of connectivity in case of a medical emergency, unless otherwise alternative contacts are established as demanded by the situation.

Other Conditions

In the best interest and in good spirit, both parties agree to abide by the following terms and conditions:

- The Second Party shall promptly attend to all emergency/casualty situations of the First Party and/or its staff and student members, free of cost.
- Preferential rates, with not less than 25% discount may be applied for all treatments and facilities except consultation and medicines.
- 3) The services of the specialist medical experts may be made available when necessary.
- 4) In-patient treatment may be provided the First Party's members, subject to availability and acceptance by the respected members.
- 5) The First Party's members shall be personally liable to settle all and every medical bills pertaining to the Second Party's services.

Duration, Termination & Dispute Clauses:

1) This agreement, once executed by the parties, shall continue for a period of ONE (1) year, and shall be automatically renewed for similar periods unless otherwise either party exercises its right to terminate the agreement.



- 2) The Parties to this Agreement reserves their right to make adequate amendments to the terms of this Agreement at the completion of every contractual year, at the request of either Party.
- 3) Either party reserve its right to *terminate the Agreement* at any time during the term by providing *one* (1) month written notice to the other party.
- 4) In the event of any dispute or differences arising between the Parties to this Agreement, sincere attempts in good spirit shall be made to resolve the same by negotiations. However, in the event that all attempts for an amicable resolution by negotiations have failed and the Parties to the Agreement are still in dispute, then in such circumstances, the discretionary power of the Local Ordinary, Bishop of Quilon, as the head of both the parties (institution) shall be <u>invoked</u> and his decision shall be final.

In witness whereof, the Parties here to have offered their signatures as under, on the date above mentioned at Kollam.

Signed on behalf of FIRST PARTY:	Signed on behalf of SECOND PARTY:
FR. BENJAMINE PALETYADIYIL MANAGER BISHOP JEROME INSTITUTE (BJI)	FR. JOHN BRITTO DIRECTOR BISHOP BENZIGER HOSPITAL (BBH)

Witnessed by:

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