Sylhet Agricultural University Oslo International Rotary Club

Oslo, 07th of November 2012

Memorandum of understanding (MOU) between Sylhet Agricultural University and Oslo International Rotary Club

1. Aim

The goal of this scholarship program launched by Oslo International Rotary Club (OIRC) is to assist young scholars financially to pursue their bachelor studies at Sylhet Agricultural University (SAU), Bangladesh. This is to give a chance, to less financially privileged to complete their studies thus giving them possibility to create better future for themselves, and for their local societies.

The scholarship program is taken in hand to underline Rotary's mission: «to make world a better place». One of the ways of doing so is supporting young generation of talented people, in less privileged regions of the world, to achieve their academics and professional targets. Bangladesh is one of the country's of the world where Rotary Polio Program was successfully conducted. The Rotary engagement is strong there. OIRC wishes to contribute to Rotary's development by hoping that all the scholars benefiting from our program will become Rotarians of tomorrow.

2. Target scholars and duration

The OIRC scholarship will be offered to assist the students studying at Sylhet agricultural university (SAU), Bangladesh who need financial assistance. This provision will apply only to

those students who have good academic record and who are making diligent efforts to pursue their education. The scholarship will be admissible to only those candidates who are in their 2nd year of study. Five students will be selected and the scholarships will be given for three years. Scholarship will be distributed equally to students of five faculties of SAU. Students and their academic progress will be followed up and evaluated, after completion of each semester, by OIRC 'Standing Committee' on Scholarship in close cooperation with the Vice-Chancellor of the Sylhet Agricultural University.

3. Value of Scholarship Program

The value of the scholarship is 3000 BDT per month for 3 year's period. Value in Norwegian krona: 250 NOK per student per month which makes: 250 NOK x 5 students = 1250 NOK each month and the total cost of all scholars 1250 NOK x 12 months = 15 000 NOK per year = yearly cost of the scholarship program. Money will be paid to the University bank account every month and will be disbursed to the students by the University authority by cheque jointly operated and signed by the Treasurer and the Director (Finance & Accounts) of the Sylhet Agricultural University.

4. Conditions

The scholarship will be admissible to persons of Bangladesh Nationality, as defined in the Constitution of Bangladesh or persons domiciled in Bangladesh, irrespective of sex, race or religion. Scholarship will not be given to anyone who is getting/enjoying the same from other organizations/agencies at home and abroad.

4.1. Decision for scholarship

The award to successful students shall be made by the recommendation of the 'StandingCommittee' on Scholarship consisting of: Nuruddin Syed (Head of the Committee), President of OIRC, Treasurer, members representative.

The 3000 BDT/ month scholarship is awarded based on merit and family's economic condition. The student's academic success, economic condition and demonstration showing strong desire

to improve the quality of agriculture/livestock/fisheries industry in Bangladesh will be considered in decision making.

Selection criteria will be based on the following:

1. Financial situation of candidate (70%)
2. His/her previous semester's results (25%)
3. Social commitment and engagement (5%).

4.2. Applying for scholarship

To apply for this scholarship, the student must submit:

- Motivation letter addressed to **OIRC** 'Standing Committee' on Scholarship, together with an essay: "How I will have an impact on the quality of my profession in Bangladesh."
- Two references from faculty members of candidates own faculty
- Transcripts of 1st year of study at Sylhet Agricultural university, Bangladesh.
- Information about gross family income per year (Family members income informations)

Students need to apply on standard application form made by standing committee for **OIRC** scholarship. Completed applications, with transcripts, references, essay and family income documents should be emailed to : **Head of the 'Standing Committee' on Scholarship of OIRC: Syed Nuruddin:** syed.nuruddin@gmail.com The final scholarship award letter will be issued by the President of Oslo International Rotary Club, **send to all selected scholars,** and published on the web sites of Sylhet Agricultural University and Oslo International Rotary Club.

4.3. Termination of scholarship

The Scholarship will be terminated:

- On the date the sanction of scholarship expires.
- If at any time a Student is found to be negligent in his/her work or conduct.
- If the scholar cannot maintain GPA 3.25 during the 1st semester of his/ her sanctioned scholarship year.

5. Formal Acceptance

All signatories to this MOU shall, in good faith, carry out the terms and conditions of this MOU. The terms and conditions of this MOU shall become binding at the acceptance of the, Vice Chancellor, Sylhet agricultural university and president of Oslo International Rotary Club. This MOU will also be available on the website of SAU (www.sau.ac.bd) and OIRC

Institutional Signatures Accepting MOU:

(Md. Faizul Hoque)
Registrar
Sylhet Agricultural University, Sylhet.

Registrar, Sylhet Agricultural University, Bangladesh.

By: Md. Faizul Hoque Date: 06th Nomember, 2012

Sponsoring organization: President, Oslo International Rotary Club, Norway

By: Date: 07. November, 2012

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