

MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS:

This Memorandum of Agreement made and entered into by and between:

UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN MINDANAO (USM), a level IV state University, created and operating under Republic act No. 763, s. 1952, as amended and Presidential Decree No. 1312, s. 1978 with a principal office and postal address at Bai Matabay, Plang Avenue, Poblacion, Kabacan, Cotabato, represented herein by its President, **JONALD L. PIMENTEL, PhD**, hereinafter referred to as the **“USM”**;

-and-

SALVACION HIGH SCHOOL (SHS-Matalam), with School Identification Number 305829, a public high school, with principal office address at Salvacion, Matalam, Cotabato, represented herein by **Mr. Jerson M. Lagat, School Head of SHS-Matalam, Matalam, Cotabato**, hereinafter referred to as **“SHS-Matalam”**.

Jointly, the **USM-Kabacan** and the **Salvacion High School** herein referred to as **“PARTNERS”**.

WHEREAS, the **SHS-Matalam**, is a public high school that promotes quality education and instills moral values to its students and makes sure that the students get the best education in an environment that is conducive to learning;

WHEREAS, the **SHS-Matalam** recognizes the importance of developing innovative approaches to support student learning, especially through independent study and localized instructional materials in mathematics;

WHEREAS, the **SHS-Matalam** recognizes the need for technical assistance in the use of Information and Communications Technology (ICT) in teaching and learning, particularly in the attendance management and in the enrollment period;

WHEREAS, the **USM** is a government institution of higher learning established in 1952 by Bai Matabay Plang, a state University with four mandated functions, namely: instruction, research, extension, and production;

WHEREAS, the **USM** through its College of Science and Mathematics and the University Extension Services Center, aims to uplift education in underserved communities through research-based extension services;

WHEREAS, the **USM**, as an academic institution, through the Office of the University Extension Services Center, supports SHS-Matalam through capacity-building, instructional material development, and research-based extension activities;

WHEREAS, by virtue of Board of Regents Resolution No. , s. 2025, the Board of Regents has confirmed that the USM has a collaboration with the **Salvacion High School, Matalam, Cotabato** for the implementation of the extension project titled Strengthening Barangay High Schools: Validating and Implementing Representation Approach-Based Learning Materials for Independent Study of Mathematics in Remote Schools;

NOW THEREFORE, for and in consideration of the foregoing premises and strong commitment of **PARTNERS** to advance the quality of education in the region, **PARTNERS** hereby agree to collaborate in the planning implementation, and evaluation of the said extension project under the following provisions:

USM by:

JONALD L. PIMENTEL, PhD
President

SHS-Matalam by:

JERSON M. LAGAT
School Head SHS-Matalam

Witness:

DEBBIE MARIE B. VERSOZA, PhD.
Vice President - RDE

Witness:

GLYN G. MAGBANUA, PhD.
ESO, Director

Witness:

PHILIP LESTER P. BENJAMIN, PhD.
CSM, Dean

Witness:

LEORENCE C. TANDOG, PhD
Project Leader

Witness:

JERSON M. LAGAT
School Head SHS-Matalam

Section 1. Scope of Work/Description of the Project

PARTNERS hereby undertake the implementation of Extension Project with the title “Strengthening Barangay High Schools: Validating and Implementing Representation Approach-Based Learning Materials for Independent Study of Mathematics in Remote Schools”.

Section 2. Obligations of UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN MINDANAO

The **USM** shall:

1. *Conduct extension activities with permission and proper consultation with concerned and target participants;*
2. *Conduct capacity-building activities and workshops for mathematics teachers of SHS-Matalam;*
3. *Lead the development, validation, and pilot-testing of representation approach-based Learning Activity Pages (LAPs);*
4. *Provide technical and academic expertise in instructional material development and implementation;*
5. *Facilitate monitoring and documentation of the project outcomes and learning impact;*
6. *Share results of the implementation with relevant stakeholders and propose scaling strategies where applicable.*

Section 3. Obligations of the CNHS-SHS

The **CNHS-SHS** shall:

1. *Identify participating mathematics teachers and ensure their attendance in training and project-related activities;*
2. *Provide venue and support for the conduct of workshops, validation, and pilot-testing activities;*
3. *Encourage teacher collaboration in developing and refining LAPs;*
4. *Provide feedback and reflections on the implementation to guide project refinement;*
5. *Support the dissemination and sustained use of validated materials within the school.*

Section 4. Amendments

No amendment or modification of any of the terms and conditions of this Agreement shall be valid unless evidenced by a written Agreement executed by the parties’ respective authorized representatives.

Section 5. Arbitrary Clause

If any dispute or difference of any kind whatsoever shall arise between the parties in connection with the implementation of this Agreement, the parties shall make an effort to resolve such dispute or difference by mutual agreement. Accordingly, the parties may resort to court only after all efforts to settle the dispute amicably have been exhausted.

USM by:

JONALD L. PIMENTEL, PhD
President

SHS-Matalam by:

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Section 6. Binding Effect

This Agreement shall be effective immediately upon signing hereof and shall remain in full force and effect for the duration of five years from August 2025 – December 2030, for the activities under this Agreement, unless sooner terminated in writing by either of the parties with written consent from the other party.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties, through their respective representatives, have hereunto affixed their signature this ____ day of ____, 2025 at _____, Cotabato, Philippines.

**SALVACION HIGH SCHOOL
(SHS-Matalam)**

**UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN MINDANAO
(USM)**

JERSON M. LAGAT
School Head SHS-Matalam

JONALD L. PIMENTEL, PhD
President

SIGNED IN THE PRESENCE OF:

JERSON M. LAGAT
School Head SHS-Matalam

DEBBIE MARIE B. VERZOSA, PhD
Vice President for RD&E

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ACKNOWLEDGMENT

REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES)
Municipality of _____)S. S.

BEFORE ME, a Notary Public, for and in the Municipality of _____, this
____ day of _____, 2025, personally appeared:

	ID No.	Issued on/Issued at
JERSON M. LAGAT	_____	_____
JONALD L. PIMENTEL, PhD	_____	_____

Known to me are the same person(s) who executed the foregoing Memorandum of Understanding and they acknowledged to me that the same is of their own will and voluntary act and deed and that of the institutions they represent.

The foregoing instrument refers to a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU), consisting of three (4) pages, including the page in which this Acknowledgement is written, signed by the parties, including their instrumental witnesses on each and every page thereof and sealed with my Notarial Seal.

WITNESS MY HAND AND SEAL, on the date and place above written.

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