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CONFIRMATION OF MEMORANDA OF AGREEMENT/UNDERSTANDING (MOAs/MOUs) BETWEEN THE UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN MINDANAO (USM) AND VARIOUS PARTNER INSTITUTIONS

WHEREAS, the University of Southern Mindanao (USM) is mandated to engage in academic, research, and extension partnerships that advance instruction and regional development;

WHEREAS, various colleges and offices within the University have proposed collaborations with local government units, government agencies, and private organizations to implement community-based projects;

WHEREAS, these MOAs and MOUs have been reviewed and endorsed by the University Research, Development, and Extension Council (URDEC), Administrative Council and the University Legal Services Office;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, as it is hereby **RESOLVED**, that the Board of Regents confirms the following agreements:

Resolution Number	Partner Institution/s	Key Provisions	Financial Requirements	Duration
MEMORANDA OF AGREEMENT				
29-A	Inter-Cultural Organizations Network (ICON-SP) & KASUNAYAN Community	Implementation of UniK 2025 for displaced Bagobo-Tagabawas; USM to provide technical expertise and M&E; ICON-SP as ground mobilizer.	Php 360,000 (Fund 101)	3 Years (Jan-Dec 2024)
29-B	LGU Kabacan	Project Meteor Guardians; USM to provide hydrology and GIS expertise; LGU to provide funding and logistics.	Funded by LGU Kabacan	3 Years
29-C	MSU-Iligan Institute of Technology (MSU-IIT)	CHED-GIA Project on Mindanao-wide microbial culture collection; USM to conduct sampling and research	CHED-GIA Funded; institutional costs shared	Project-based
29-D	MTIT-BARMM	Feasibility Study for Halal Hub at Polloc Freeport; USM to conduct fieldwork, surveys, and business planning.	Php 10,000,000 (from MTIT)	6 Months
29-E	NAM-IA & NIA-KABRIS	"Gulayan sa Patubigan" for Osias Vegetable Growers; USM to allocate land and provide farming starter kits.	USM to provide starter kits and expertise	3 Years
29-F	DepEd SDO Cotabato	Project LEAD: Graduate School support for	Institutional resources	The project is designed as





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		DepEd educators through leadership and in-service training		a sustained professional development initiative to support capacity-building for teachers in the region.
29-G	DepEd SDO Kidapawan	Project LEAD: Graduate School support for DepEd educators through leadership and in-service training	Institutional resources	The project is designed as a sustained professional development initiative to support capacity-building for teachers in the region.
29-H	DepEd SDO Cotabato	• Focuses on enhancing pedagogical competence through innovative, research-based, and localized teaching approaches • Integrating these principles into Science and Mathematics instruction to align with the K to 12 Basic Education Curriculum • Delivery of hands-on workshops, collaborative lesson design, and experiential learning sessions • Providing a platform for educators to share best practices and foster a community of reflective practitioners.	Training costs and expertise	The project is designed as a sustained professional development initiative to support capacity-building for teachers in the region.
29-I	DepEd SDO Kidapawan	• Focuses on enhancing pedagogical competence through innovative, research-based, and localized teaching approaches • Integrating these principles into Science	Training costs and expertise	The project is designed as a sustained professional development initiative to support capacity-

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		and Mathematics instruction to align with the K to 12 Basic Education Curriculum • Delivery of hands-on workshops, collaborative lesson design, and experiential learning sessions • Providing a platform for educators to share best practices and foster a community of reflective practitioners.		building for teachers in the region.
29-J	Nangaan High School & SOXAARRDEC	Establishment of a School Garden (Plant to Learn and Earn); USM to provide expertise and technologies.	Php 50,000 (from USM)	3 Years
29-K	Tropic Biosciences UK Limited Research Collaboration (Gene Editing)	Joint research on trait development in specific crops (e.g., coffee/bananas) using Tropic's GEiGS® technology; USM to provide local germplasm and research facilities; Tropic to provide technical training and proprietary tools	Mutual institutional support; external research grants as applicable	5 years from the date of effectivity
29-L	Barangay Local Government Unit (BLGU) of Pinamaton, Matalam, Cotabato	Natural Farming Systems Extension Project: USM to provide technical expertise in sustainable farming, conduct training on natural fertilizers/pest management, and lead monitoring; BLGU to facilitate community mobilization, provide training venues, and ensure project site security.	Mutual institutional support and technical resources provided by USM; logistics and site maintenance by the BLGU	3 years from the date of signing.
29-M	Local Government Unit of Alamada	• Renewal of ties to actuate the donation of a parcel of land from the LGU to USM	• Salaries and benefits for faculty personnel assigned to the campus • General financial requirements incurred in exercising the duties and	Commencing in 2025, until another negotiated renewal between the parties

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		• Providing students access to the <i>Aklat ng Bayan</i> reading materials produced by the KWF . • The <i>Aklat ng Bayan</i> publications shall remain in secondary schools for one (1) month for use by teachers and students to support instruction and learning.	• Participating schools shall allocate appropriate space and venue for the program . • Active participation from teachers, students, and stakeholders.	
29-Y	With Muban Chombueng Rajabhat University (MCRU), Ratchaburi Province, Thailand	• Development of mutual cooperation in research, teaching methodologies, and academic practices . • A two-week observation program for students and teachers regarding teaching methodologies . • Sharing of academic information, technical knowledge, research papers, and materials . • Collaboration on the development of programs, learning content, and joint research in areas of common interest . • Students will share their home country's culture through presentations to foster cross-cultural understanding.	Total Funding: Sixty-Four Thousand Pesos (P64,000.00) from Fund 05-Tuition . • Specific arrangements for future activities are subject to further negotiation and the availability of funds.	Valid for five (5) years from the date of execution (November 27, 2025) and shall be automatically renewed on an annual basis thereafter.
29-Z	Food Microbiology Association – Melbourne, Australia	• Academic collaboration, research partnership, and food safety capacity-building . • Faculty exchange, joint research initiatives, and training programs . • Development of academic materials and		

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