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The Policy on Collaborations and Partnerships would henceforth be known as **SBV POLICY ON COLLABORATIONS AND PARTNERSHIPS – 2019.**

PREAMBLE

Sri Balaji Vidyapeeth (SBV) is committed in letter and spirit to creating and sustaining an ideal environment that is conducive for effecting Memoranda of Understanding (MoU), partnerships and collaborative ventures. SBV firmly believes that it is in possession of ideal infrastructure, competent and efficient workforce, besides, ideal Governance that would foster collaborative ventures in nodal as well as emerging, niche areas in the frontiers of Academics, Research, Healthcare, Extension services with academia and industries.

PURPOSE

Collaborations with governmental and non-governmental organisations, is key to holistic success. This assumes great relevance in Higher Educational Institutions besides enhancing the visibility and perception of the higher educational Institution. In addition to collaborations between Universities and governmental/ non–governmental organisations, both within and outside the country, the nexus acquires greater relevance when the component of industry is brought into the folds.

SCOPE

The scope of the policy is aimed at formulating ways and means towards the promulgation of collaborative ventures facilitated by the constitution of a high level active committee at the University level. Furthermore the scope would also govern other logistics of collaborative partnerships in the Triple Helix model, namely SBV, governmental/non-governmental organisations and industry. Furthermore the scope on collaborations would subsume certain vital aspects related to SBV Policy on Consultation.

THE NEED FOR ENDEAVOURING COLLABORATIONS AND PARTNERSHIPS

The globalisation of healthcare is progressing at a rapid pace that is synonymous with qualitative and quantitative spurts in all the frontiers, viz., academics, patient care, research, consultancy and extension activities. This in turn would culminate in Quality Control mediated research and development, besides facilitating commercialisation of endeavours and bestowing several opportunities

including the transfer of technology, strategic marketing and optimisation of growth in Academics and Research. The gross benefits accruing to higher education institutions include access to information, ideas, and armamentarium facilitated through National and International collaboration. This could enable a great degree of advancement of knowledge and unique discoveries for the larger benefit of the society. The revolution in Information and Communication Technology (ICT) as well as big data, artificial intelligence and internet of things is both a beneficiary and a benefactor, contributing to sustained relationship among higher centres of learning and this would be taken into due cognizance.

TERMS OF REFERENCE

In formulating a policy on COLLABORATIONS AND PARTNERSHIPS, the fact that SBV consists of four Constituent Colleges, five designated and dedicated centres, besides Physiotherapy, School of Pharmacy and Faculty of Allied Health Sciences would be duly considered. The interpretation of the term, "SBV campus," for the specific and objective purpose of the policy would necessarily extend into public spheres that essentially remain in contact with members of the SBV community.

The policy shall be applicable to all the collaborative ventures including letter of Intent, Collaborations, MoUs, Strategic partnerships with national and international academia, industries, NGOs, philanthropic organisations within the state, outside the state, within the country and overseas; in the chosen areas of discipline, be it inter-, multi or trans-disciplinary.

With reference to the above, the following definitions will apply: 'Members of the Deemed University' includes students, teachers, residents and non-teaching staff 'Students' encompass regular students as well as the alumni of SBV.

'Teachers' include any person on the staff of the University as a junior/mid level or senior faculty or in any of the Constituent Colleges and all other academic and research centres, who is appointed to a teaching and/or research post, whether full-time, part-time, visiting, honorary, or on special duty or deputation and shall include employees employed as a scientist or technologist, concerned with academics and research. It also would include Faculty and Scientists from Organisations/Centres working under the ambit of the same sponsoring or Parent Trust.

'Non-Teaching Staff' includes any person on the staff of the University or of its Constituent Colleges, academic departments, health centres or hospitals, who are not included in the category of teacher.

FACETS OF THE POLICY

Following are the key facets of the Policy:

1. To help provide a conducive and healthy work environment that would culminate in developmental activities in academics, patient care and research – the forerunner to MoUs and partnerships.
2. SBV shall establish collaborations and partnerships only if they necessarily contribute to the realisation of the University's objectives.
3. The program is meant to contribute to extended participation in the frontiers of broad and specialised areas.
4. The Collaborative endeavours should foster the development of academic and research nexus with collaborator institutions which would raise the reputation and perception of SBV.
5. Collaborative partners would be encouraged to derive equal benefit and would be encouraged to contribute comprehensively in mutual decision-making processes.
6. No binding links may be established, without the full prior knowledge and consent of SBV as well as the other party.
7. Organizational hierarchy, exchanges of qualified faculty and researchers, besides deserving students would form the core, in line with the ethical medical research standards.
8. The local law, under the immediate purview of the foreign university would be considered.
9. The legal and financial position of the collaborating institutions would be a major facet.

GUIDING PRINCIPLES OF THE POLICY

The horizons of knowledge are ever expanding. Creation of newer vistas in knowledge and dissemination of knowledge assume great relevance in the present scenario. These enable the Higher Education Institutions to march ahead, which are of paramount significance in facilitating paradigm shift for the overall development and well-being of every Nation. In the present era of globalisation, with tremendous advances in the field of Science and Technology, collaborations and partnerships are considered cardinal elements for enhanced and sustained medical education, research and extension services and quality growth in all aspects. "Connect, Communicate and Collaborate", "Diversify, Develop and

Disseminate", "Evolve, Emulate and Effect" are the watchwords to be taken due cognizance of.

- Collaborations must essentially comply with the Vision and Mission of SBV
- Collaborations must be envisaged in unique areas in a manner that would not overlap with the currently undertaken endeavours at SBV, but should depict other less visited areas *hitherto*
- The proposals should be well defined and must revolve around emerging and niche areas
- Collaborations, academic ventures, R & D must lead to creation of networking opportunities
- Academia and Industry collaborations must pave the way for high-quality academics, research and training, besides fostering entrepreneurship skills
- There should be well defined timelines for achieving targets
- Regular follow-up with the focus on *Deliverables* must form the crux
- The framework elaborated herein should reveal and highlight the commitment to providing distinct opportunities to its participants/Collaborators so that they can be partners in contributing to the seminal advances happening in healthcare and allied, emerging areas
- SBV means it, in letter and spirit that the collaboration and partnership policy is deemed essential to promote partnership for Undergraduate, Postgraduate and Doctoral Students in Medical Sciences, besides the Faculty and Staff of the Constituent Colleges and Centres
- To develop and embrace innovative technologies by fostering collaboration with industries and organisations of Engineering and technology and to diversify and disseminate the quality of medical research in thrust areas
- **The goals of collaborative ventures should be aimed at partnering with interested institutions, organisations and higher education institutions in the advancement of excellence towards academics, research, healthcare and extension, besides integrating the same and that in the light of our ethos, ethics, heritage and even spiritual considerations.**

POLICY STATEMENT & CORE VALUES

SBV collaboration welcomes with conviction the teaching-learning activities, coupled with training and health sciences research that endear themselves with the vision, mission and objectives, besides enhancement of its reputation and

perception among the comity of Higher Education Institutions. Professionalism, Ethics, Moral values, concerted work and cooperation with integrity and honesty are the core values of SBV.

Main objectives of the Policy:

- Academic Training, Research and Extension Services related to healthcare sector
- Promulgation/application of need and value based appropriate Technology and scientific interventions
- Development of novel Technologies in *hitherto u*nexplored, but emerging areas
- Collaborative and holistic health sciences research equipment and infrastructure facilities in partnering Institutions/Universities should be mutually shared for optimisation of benefits accruing to the society at large

STRATEGIES FOR STRICT ADHERENCE

i. Periodically review, reflect on all matters pertaining to the collaboration and partnership policy

ii. To put into practice collaboration and partnership priorities for SBV

iii. To constantly identify avenues for collaboration and partnership opportunities for SBV

iv. Make recommendations to the Statutory Boards on all matters related to joint ventures and partnerships

v. To audit the effectiveness and success of collaborations and partnerships

vi. SBV and the other party/ies on mutual grounds can prolong or terminate the joint ventures

TERMINATION OF COLLABORATION OR PARTNERSHIP

SBV reserves the right to terminate any collaboration, intent, joint venture/ partnership, if the partner indulges in serious breach of the terms of the Memorandum of Agreement.

LENDING TO AMENDMENTS

The Policy may be amended from time to time by mutual consent secondary to need and value based considerations.

STATEMENT OF CONCLUSION

SBV collaboration and partnership policy is a designated, deliberate initiative in fostering meaningful and productive nexus with other Institutions/Organisations. The collaboration and partnership policy would serve to inculcate and foster the establishment of more such ventures.

INVOLVEMENT OF MEDIA, IF ANY

Nil

INVOLVEMENT, IF ANY OF MAJOR FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS CONCERNING EXTERNAL AGENCIES

Yes, as per the Memorandum of Understanding.

EXCEPTIONS, IF ANY

Nil

ANY OTHER PERTINENT DETAILS

Nil

ENQUIRIES

All enquiries related to this policy should be addressed to the Registrar with a copy addressed to the GM (Admin.), SBV.

APPELLATE AUTHORITY

For all difficulties pertaining to this policy, the power to remove difficulties rests with the Vice-chancellor.

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