



# Memorandum of Understanding

By and Between the  
**Oxford Centre for Hindu Studies**  
and the  
**Bhaktivedanta Research Centre, Kolkata**

This agreement is made and entered into by and between the Oxford Centre for Hindu Studies, located at 13-15 Magdalen Street, Oxford, OX1 3AE, United Kingdom, hereafter referred to as "OCHS", and the Bhaktivedanta Research Centre, Kolkata, located at 110A Motilal Nehru Road, Kolkata – 700029, West Bengal, India, hereafter referred to as "BRCK."

The parties hereto agree as follows:

## **I. Facilitating Academic Research**

The primary objective of this agreement is the development of cooperative efforts between OCHS and BRCK that foster and facilitate academic research in the field of Bengali Vaishnavism in the Modern Period. Recognising that collaboration between the two institutions has the potential to make an invaluable contribution to research and academic

excellence in this area, the parties desire to promote exchange between the faculty, research facilities, and archival materials of the two institutions.

Specific projects in areas of interest will be selected as a result of coordination by OCHS and BRCK at the appropriate academic and administrative level in each institution. As these projects are developed, each will require a specific written agreement made in advance, setting forth the terms and conditions thereof and executed by authorized representatives of both institutions.

## **II. General Provisions**

- a. All research and other collaborative activities conducted pursuant to this agreement shall be conducted in accordance with the laws and regulations appropriate to each institution. In the case of OCHS, these are the laws of the United Kingdom and the rules and regulations of the Board of Governors of the OCHS. In the case of BRCK, these include the laws of the Republic of India, and of the State of West Bengal, and the rules and regulations of the BRCK's Board of Directors.
- b. This agreement shall take effect when executed by the parties and shall terminate three-years from the date of ratification. The agreement may be renewed or amended by written mutual agreement. This agreement may be terminated by either party by giving 60 days' written notice to the other party.

- c. Notices with respect to this agreement shall be provided to the parties as indicated on Attachment A hereto, entitled “Administration of Programme and Contact Information,” which is incorporated by reference herein.
- d. Written permission must be obtained from the OCHS Director prior to each use of the OCHS logo in BRCK publications, whether in print, electronic, or online.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the parties hereto have executed two copies of this instrument, each of which shall be considered an original.

Bhaktivedanta Research Centre, Kolkata

Oxford Centre for Hindu Studies

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**Dr. Sumanta Rudra**  
**Dean of Academic Affairs**  
*On behalf of the Board of Directors*

Date: 28<sup>th</sup> March 2021

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**Shaunaka Rishi Das**  
**Director**  
*On behalf of the Board of Governors*

Date: 28<sup>th</sup> March 2021

## ATTACHMENT A

### ADMINISTRATION OF PROGRAM AND CONTACT INFORMATION

**OCHS** -- Administration of this agreement is the direct responsibility of the Director. Academic responsibilities are coordinated by the Academic Director. Correspondence regarding these matters should be directed to:

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**BRCK** — Administration of this agreement and any academic responsibilities arising from it are the direct responsibility of the Dean of Academic Affairs. Correspondence regarding these matters should be directed to:

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