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LETTER OF AGREEMENT (LoA)

BETWEEN

BANGABANDHU SHEIKH MUJIBUR RAHMAN AGRICULTURAL UNIVERSITY

AND

EAST WEST SEED BANGLADESH PRIVATE LIMITED

This Letter of Agreement (hereinafter referred to as "this LoA") is made and entered into this 6th March 2023 (hereinafter referred to as the "Effective Date") by and between

Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman Agricultural University, having an address at Gazipur, 1706, BANGLADESH (hereinafter referred to as "BSMRAU")

and

East West Seed Bangladesh Private Limited, a company duly organized under the laws of Bangladesh, having an address at 245, Bir Uttam Mir Shawkat Road, ACI Center, Tejgaon C/A, Dhaka 1208, Bangladesh (hereinafter referred to as "EWBD")

BSMRAU and EWBD may be referred to individually as the "Party" and jointly as the "Parties" to promote bilateral cooperation.

1. In consideration of foregoing premise, the Parties through their duly authorized representative(s), hereby agree to assume full authority and responsibility to implement the following collaboration programs that will be mutually supportive and complementary to each other.

The area of collaboration shall include but not limited to:

- a) Sharing and mutual access to facilities and equipment subject to availability of facilities and support personnel on mutually acceptable terms and conditions.

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- b) BSMRAU identified/selected different parents/advanced lines of hybrid, OP or inbred varieties by mutual understanding will be shared with EWBD for further improvement and development research.
 - c) For popularization of BSMRAU developed hybrid (including parents), OP and inbred varieties of different crops may be shared by EWBD in order to produce seed and marketing thereafter with proper recognition and reasonable royalties through a separate seed production and commercialization agreement between the Parties.
 - d) Development of collaborative programs such as on-farm trials conducted by student of BSMRAU and farmers field trials of new material and techniques etc. on mutually acceptable basis.
 - e) Encouragement to the concerned personnel of EWBD to take advantage of BSMRAU academic instructions and outreach programs for improvement and enhancement of their knowledge and professional skills.
 - f) Participation of each Party's effort in identifying and developing superior crop varieties and other techniques of agricultural and related fields.
 - g) Development of such other programs not covered by this LoA, mutually acceptable to both Parties.
2. Each party shall provide necessary logistic support, training, transport and accommodation or dormitory facilities during the conduct of trainings. Payments of necessary rents or fees shall be mutually agreed upon by the Parties or as per rules of the parties.

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3. Each Party shall have the right to initiate and propose for a project on a mutual partnership basis. A written project proposal by either of the Parties shall be shared between the Parties.
4. Each party in collaboration with other party shall supervise and execute a project once agreed upon.
5. This LoA is not intended to be legally binding. Nothing, therefore, shall diminish the full autonomy of either Party, nor shall any constraints be imposed by either Party upon the other Party in carrying out this LoA.
6. This LoA shall come into effect on the signing date and shall be valid for a period of three (3) years. This LoA may be renewed, revised or modified upon written agreement by both Parties. This LoA shall be terminated by a six (6) month prior written notice of the Party.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned, the authorized representatives of the Parties have signed this Agreement written in the English language in duplicate, equally authentic.

For and on behalf of:
EWBD

Mr. Mostafa Kamal
Director
East West Seed Bangladesh Private Limited
245, Bir Uttam Mir Shawkat Road, ACI
Center, Tejgaon C/A, Dhaka 1208

Date:

For and on behalf of:
BSMRAU

Prof. Dr. Md. Giashuddin Miah
Vice-Chancellor
BSMRAU, Gazipur 1706

Date:

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