

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MoU)

Between

Bakliwal Foundation
**College of Arts, Commerce &
Science, Vashi**



And

Vrajj Foundation
Vikhroli (E), Mumbai - 400079



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This Memorandum of Understanding ("MoU") is made on this 8th day of October, 2025 between:

1. Vrajj Foundation,

Address: I-1301, The Trees, Pirojshanagar, Vikhroli (E), Mumbai — (hereinafter referred to as "Vrajj"),

AND

2. Bakliwal Foundation College of Arts, Commerce & Science (BFC-ACS), Vashi,

Address: First Floor, U Building, Sector 19B, Plot No.7 APMC, Vashi 400703 — (hereinafter referred to as "College").

(Each a "Party" and together the "Parties").

Background / Preamble:

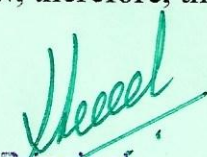
A. Vrajj is engaged in social and environmental initiatives in Mumbai and environs and wishes to support mangrove conservation and coastal clean-up activities in Navi Mumbai.

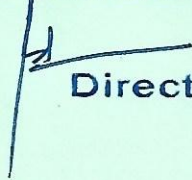
B. The College is an educational institution located at Vashi and wishes to actively involve its students, staff and community outreach mechanisms in environmental conservation, practical learning and community engagement.

C. "Mangrove Marshalls" is a Vashi-based citizen initiative of nature enthusiasts (founded in 2018 and led by Rohitt Malhotra) conducting weekly mangrove clean-up drives, waste-segregation advocacy and community education at locations such as Sagar Vihar and along the Thane Creek. Mangrove Marshalls will provide technical leadership and volunteer coordination for on-ground activities under this MoU. (A short profile of Mangrove Marshalls is attached as Annex A.)

D. The Parties desire to collaborate to conserve and restore local mangrove habitats, carry out regular clean-up drives, provide environmental education to students and communities, and build long-term stewardship capacity.

Now, therefore, the Parties agree as follows:


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1. Purpose

To establish a framework for cooperation between Vraj and the College (with on-ground support from Mangrove Marshalls) to plan, implement and monitor mangrove conservation activities in and around Vashi and adjacent coastal/creek areas.

2. Objectives

- a. Conduct regular mangrove clean-up drives and proper waste disposal.
- b. Provide hands-on training and awareness sessions for students and local communities on waste segregation, coastal ecology and mangrove protection.
- c. Promote community participation and volunteerism.
- d. Document and report environmental impact (e.g., waste collected, volunteers engaged, sessions held).
- e. Seek recognition and funding opportunities for sustained activities.

3. Scope of Activities

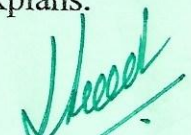
The collaboration may include, but is not limited to:

- a. Weekly/regular clean-up drives at identified sites (e.g., Sagar Vihar, Thane Creek).
- b. Monthly workshops/awareness sessions at the College or community venues.
- c. Student internships / volunteer placements with Mangrove Marshalls.
- d. Joint events on World Environment Day, Mangrove Day, etc.
- e. Data collection, photo-documentation and publication of periodic impact reports.

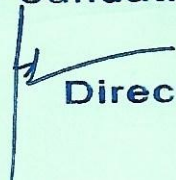
4. Roles & Responsibilities

4.1 Vraj Foundation shall:

- a. May Provide financial support / grants for operational costs or material (PPE, tools, waste disposal charges, transport) as mutually agreed in written workplans.


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- b. Assist in obtaining permissions from local civic authorities if required.
- c. Support publicity and outreach (flyers, social media, sponsor liaison).

4.2 Bakliwal Foundation College shall:

- a. Mobilize students, faculty and staff volunteers for scheduled drives and sessions.
- b. Provide venue(s) and logistical support for training/workshops when required.
- c. Integrate short educational modules or credit/volunteer hours (subject to College policy) to encourage student participation.
- d. Maintain attendance records and assist in documentation and reporting.

4.3 Mangrove Marshalls shall (technical partner):

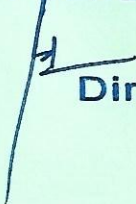
- a. Plan and lead on-ground clean-up operations and training sessions.
- b. Provide briefings on site safety, proper waste segregation, handling of hazardous items and post-drive procedures.
- c. Maintain records of weight/volume of waste removed and other monitoring data and submit same to Parties as per reporting schedule.
- d. Act as liaison with local communities in the Vashi coastal area.
- e. Activities as mutually decided

5. Implementation & Schedule

- a. Parties will prepare a joint annual workplan within 30 days of the Effective Date setting out the calendar of drives, workshops and estimated budgets.
- b. Regular clean-up drives are envisaged on a weekly or bi-weekly basis (as agreed in the workplan).
- c. Parties will hold quarterly review meetings to assess progress.


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6. Funding & Resource Allocation

- a. Specific funding commitments (amounts, timelines) will be set out in separate project workplans or grant agreements signed by the Parties.
- b. Where Vraj may provide funds for activities executed by the College or Mangrove Marshalls, then expenditure will be supported by invoices and receipts and reconciled quarterly.
- c. Each Party will be responsible for its own internal administrative costs unless otherwise agreed in writing.

7. Safety, Permissions & Compliance

- a. All on-site activities will comply with applicable local laws, municipal rules and environmental regulations. Obtaining necessary permissions (e.g., from local municipal / forest authorities) shall be the responsibility of the Party identified in the annual workplan.
- b. Site leaders (Mangrove Marshalls) shall conduct safety briefings; personal protective equipment (PPE) will be provided as set out in the workplan.
- c. Parties will ensure safe disposal of waste through authorized waste handlers and will not engage in open burning or illegal dumping.

8. Monitoring, Reporting & Documentation

- a. Mangrove Marshalls will maintain operational logs (date, location, number of volunteers, weight/type of waste collected) and submit quarterly activity reports to Vraj and the College.
- b. The College will maintain lists of participating students and faculty and assist in impact documentation.
- c. Parties agree to jointly prepare an annual impact report for stakeholders.

9. Publicity & Use of Materials

- a. Photographs, videos and stories generated during activities may be used by any Party for publicity, fundraising and educational purposes provided that (i) identifiable individuals under 18 have parental consent, and (ii) Parties obtain consent from photographed subjects where practicable.
- b. Logos and names of Parties will be used in publicity only with mutual consent and in accordance with any brand guidelines provided.

10. Confidentiality

Each Party shall keep confidential any non-public business or personal information shared in connection with this MoU and shall not disclose it to third parties without prior written consent, except as required by law.

11. Intellectual Property

Unless otherwise agreed, any materials (reports, presentations, educational content) jointly developed will be co-owned by the Parties and may be used for non-commercial educational and advocacy purposes, with proper attribution.

12. Liability & Indemnity

- a. Each Party shall be responsible for its own acts and omissions.
- b. Each Party agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the other Parties (and their officers, employees and agents) from and against any claim, liability, loss or expense arising from its negligence or wilful misconduct in performing its obligations under this MoU.

13. Force Majeure

No Party shall be liable for delay or failure to perform due to causes beyond its reasonable control (natural disaster, pandemic, governmental action). The affected Party shall notify the others promptly and use reasonable efforts to resume performance.

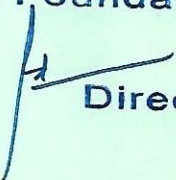
14. Term & Termination

- a. This MoU shall remain in effect for a term of two (2) years from the Effective Date, unless earlier terminated by mutual written agreement.
- b. Any Party may terminate this MoU by giving 30 days' prior written notice to the other Party. Termination shall not relieve Parties of obligations already incurred.

15. Dispute Resolution

In the event of any dispute arising out of or in connection with this MoU, the Parties shall first attempt to resolve it amicably through good-faith negotiations. If unresolved within 30 days, the dispute shall be referred to arbitration in Navi-Mumbai under the Arbitration and Conciliation Act,


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1996, and the decision of the arbitrator(s) shall be final and binding. The governing law shall be the laws of India.

16. Miscellaneous

a. Amendments:

This MoU may be amended only by a written instrument signed by authorized representatives of the Parties.

b. Non-binding nature:

Except for Clauses 7 (Safety & Compliance), 9 (Publicity - limited consent obligations), 10 (Confidentiality), 12 (Liability & Indemnity), 13 (Force Majeure), 15 (Dispute Resolution) and this Clause 16, this MoU is intended as a statement of mutual intent and does not create legally binding obligations. (If the Parties desire a legally enforceable agreement, a separate binding agreement will be executed.)

c. Notices:

All notices under this MoU shall be in writing and delivered to the addresses below (or to such other address as a Party may notify):

For Vrajj Foundation

Address: I-1301, The Trees, Pirojshanagar, Vikhroli (E), Mumbai

Email: malhotrarohitt1@gmail.com | Tel: 9820141454

For Bakliwal Foundation College of Arts, Commerce & Science (BFC-ACS)

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Signatures

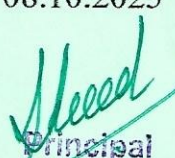
For and on behalf of Vrajj Foundation

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Designation: Director

Date: 08.10.2025

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For and on behalf of Bakliwal Foundation College of Arts, Commerce & Science

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Name: [Prof.] Dr. Sharadkumar Shah

Designation: Principal

Date: 08.10.2025



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Rani D'Souza

Name: /Prof. Rani D'Souza

Designation: Coordinator, Green Club & BA-CS Dept.

Date: 08.10.2025

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