



# AGREEMENT ON COOPERATION BETWEEN AL-FARABI KAZAKH NATIONAL UNIVERSITY (REPUBLIC OF KAZAKHSTAN) AND UNIVERSITY OF KASHMIR (REPUBLIC OF INDIA)

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The Republican State Enterprise «Al-Farabi Kazakh National University» of the Ministry of Education and Science of the Republic of Kazakhstan represented by Rector, Academician Galimkair M. Mutanov, on the one part,

and

University of Kashmir represented by Hon'ble Vice Chancellor Prof. Khurshid Iqbal Andrabi on the other part, (both hereinafter referred to as the Parties collectively, or Party individually),

*taking into consideration* the partnership and close international relations between the Republic of Kazakhstan and Republic of India.

**recognizing** the necessity and the possibility for developing further perspective bilateral relations between two countries in educational and scientific fields of cooperation.

wishing to make their own contribution to development of cooperation between two educational institutions in the abovementioned fields,

hereby conclude this Agreement on cooperation (hereinafter referred to as the Agreement) with following provisions.

#### Article 1

Based on the principle of mutual benefit and respect for each other's independence, the Parties will foster:

- 1. Mutually beneficial cooperation in, including, but not limited to the following areas: Religious Studies. Cultural Studies
- 2. Faculty and administrative staff exchange. Organization of training courses for teaching staff. Faculty exchange for conducting jointly organized courses;
- 3. Student exchange at graduate and undergraduate levels for research internships and training;
- 4. Development and realization of joint educational programs, curriculum, including programs with double-diploma awarding;
- 5. Organization of academic meetings and symposia; Joint participation and conduct of scientific and summer schools with the involvement of specialists and students;
- 6. Joint research activities. Joint participation in the grants awarded by the state, international, public and private foundations and organizations;
- 7. Publication of articles, reports, and other scientific materials of the university faculty members, staff and students in the periodical publications of the partner-university;
- 8. Exchange of academic information, publications, materials and knowledge. Organization of access to research centers and facilities to conduct research.
- 9. Attracting leading scientists and professors for supervising PhD students' research work at the partner-university.
- 10. Other forms of educational and scientific activities as may be mutually agreed by the two Parties.

In order to give effect to these forms of cooperation, representatives of individual faculties and institutes within the two Parties will be encouraged to consult each other and to develop specific plans for collaboration in any or all of the ways mentioned above.

Article 2

The implementation of each program based upon the Agreement shall be negotiated and agreed upon by the Parties under a separate agreement prior to the initiation of the particular program. This separate agreement will clearly describe the functions and activities to be developed, work schedule, personal profile, financing, rights and obligations of each Party, as well as the required documents necessary to determine the goals and scope of each program.

Article 3

It is implicit that each and every activity undertaken under the Agreement is approved by the appropriate officials at each institution and falls within each institution's academic and fiscal constraints. The results of the cooperative researches including but not limited to any newly produced intellectual rights shall be operated earnestly and fairly through due consultation between the Parties.

Article 4

In the process of implementation of the Agreement's provisions the two universities shall act according to the legislation of their home countries and inter-governmental agreements on cooperation in the fields of education, science and culture between the Republic of Kazakhstan and Republic of India.

All cooperative activities in article 1 above shall be done in compliance with all applicable laws. regulations and guidelines of the country and university in which the activity is conducted.

Article 5

The Agreement shall come into effect upon signature of this document by authorized representatives of both universities and shall remain in force until terminated by either university by notification. The notification for termination of the Agreement shall be made not later than six months prior to the termination date. Regardless of termination, the Parties shall continue to fulfill their obligations hereunder until all participants who have commenced the program have completed the term in session at the time of termination. The Agreement may be modified at any time after due consultation between the Parties.

Article 6

The Agreement is created in Russian and English. Four copies of the Agreement shall be VICE CHANCELLO'S

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Srinagar made, one to be held by each university, and both shall serve as original.

Mukhambetkali Burkitbayev First-Vice Rector

Al-Farabi Kazakh National Universit

Vice Chancellor University of Kashmir

Prof. Khurshid Iqbal Andrabi







### SCIENTIFIC COOPERATION AGREEMENT

#### BETWEEN

The Ecole Pratique des Hautes Etudes (hereinafter 'EPHE'), of 4-14 rue Ferrus, F-75014 Paris, France, a public scientific, cultural and vocational establishment under French law, represented by its President, Professor Hubert BOST, on the one hand.

#### AND

The Centre of Central Asian Studies, University of Kashmir, Hazratbal-190006. Srinagar, Jammu & Kashmir, India, represented by its Registrar, Professor Khurshid Ahmad Butt, on the other hand,

hereinafter 'the Parties'.

#### IT HAS BEEN AGREED THE FOLLOWING:

#### Preamble

The purpose of the present Agreement is to foster cooperation in research and teaching between the Parties in all their common fields of competence.

#### Article 1 - Forms of cooperation

For the purpose of the present Agreement, collaboration between the Parties may include the exchange of students, researchers and faculty members; the exchange of scientific and scholarly publications; the joint organisation of symposia, seminars and conferences as well as the development of joint research programmes and projects.

#### Article 2 - Procedures and funding

Each Party may, if it so wishes, appoint a scientific coordinator in charge of the implementation and follow-up of the present Agreement.

Each project undertaken in implementation of the present Agreement shall be recorded in a specific annex stating its object, modalities, duration and funding.

The Parties are agreed to facilitate the organisation and funding of activities within the framework of the present Agreement, as the case may be with the support of appropriate third parties.

#### Article 3 - Intellectual property

Intellectual property created as a result of cooperative activity undertaken by the Parties shall be co-owned by the Parties in proportion of each Party's respective intellectual, financial, human and material contribution to the creation of said intellectual property.

Publication or dissemination of information pertaining to the cooperative activities and the intellectual property resulting from the Parties' cooperative activity shall be subject to the mutual agreement of the Parties and shall explicitly mention the participation of each Party.

#### Article 4 – Student exchanges

- Student exchanges shall be on the basis of full reciprocity between the Parties for the entire duration of the present Agreement.
- ii) The number of exchange students and the duration of each exchange period at the host Party shall be agreed upon by the Parties on a yearly basis.
- iii) Each Party shall select which of its students take part in the exchanges in agreement with the other Party. Exchange students shall remain registered and pay all relevant registration and tuition fees at their home institution; they shall not have to pay any fees to the host Party.
- iv) Exchange students shall choose the lectures and seminars which they want to attend at the host Party, subject to the prior approval of the academic supervisors concerned.
- v) Travelling and accommodation expenses, as well as any other costs as the case may be, shall be at the charge of students taking part in the exchange. Within the limits of its resources the host Party shall make its material facilities available to exchange students, especially for finding accommodation.
- vi) Exchange students must be covered by an appropriate health, accident and third-party liability insurance for the whole duration of their stay at the host Party. If their insurance policy does not afford them full cover in the host country, exchange students must subscribe appropriate additional cover in conformity with the relevant legal provisions of the host country.

#### Article 5 - Exchange of teaching staff

The Parties hereby undertake to exchange teaching staff members within the limit of available material and financial resources. The selection and formal invitation of teaching staff shall be on the basis of proposals made by the host Party in agreement with the other Party. Invited teaching staff may sit on examination juries of the host Party subject to approval by the relevant authority appointing said juries.

#### Article 6 - Co-supervision of doctoral theses

The co-supervision of doctoral theses (Ph.D.s) shall be encouraged in implementation of the present Agreement, in accordance with the relevant rules and regulations of each country concerned.

A specific co-supervision agreement shall be negotiated by the Parties for each co-supervised doctoral thesis (Ph.D.).

#### Article 7 - Participation in multilateral programmes

The Parties shall, as much as possible, link their joint cooperation with such multilateral programmes as they deem useful for the purpose of their common objectives.

#### Article 8 - Entry into force, duration and termination

The present Agreement shall be valid for a period of 5 (five) years. It shall enter into force on the date of its signature by both Parties. Before its date of expiry, the Parties shall jointly decide on the desirability and, as the case may be, the modalities of its renewal.

A Party shall have the possibility of terminating the present Agreement by notifying the other Party in writing not later than December 15, with effect on September 30 of the following year, so as not to disrupt the academic calendar. The termination of present Agreement shall not affect cooperative actions undertaken under the present Agreement which shall be carried out to their agreed term.

Done in two sets of original copies in English and French, both linguistic versions being of equal legal value,

For the Ecole Pratique des Hautes Etudes

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For the University of Kashmir Hazratbal

The President.

The Vice-Chancellor

VICE CHANCELLOR
University of Kashmit
Srinagar

Professor Khurshid Iqbal Andrabi

Professor Hubert BOST

2017 / July / 20 th



## MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE UNIVERSITY OF KASHMIR AND THE UNIVERSITY OF SYDNEY

Professor Alison V.G. Betts (Professor of Silk Route Studies), Department of Archaeology, University of Sydney, Australia and Director, Centre for Classical and Near Eastern Studies of Australia and University of Sydney Central Asian Programme desires to sign a collaborative research project with Centre of Central Asian Studies, University of Kashmir, Srinagar titled "Kashmir Prehistory Project (KPP). Professor Alison Betts already had a successful research project with Dr. Mumtaz Yatoo in year 2015-2016 which has received broad international recognition for its importance.

As with all collaborative agreements, there would be active research partners from both Institutions. The project was discussed in the Departmental Committee of CCAS and it was unanimously resolved that the joint research collaboration between two academic institutions will go a long way to ensure promotion of knowledge, academics and understanding of the students of the two institutions.

After having studied the contents of the research proposal (enclosed),

a formal agreement between two Institutions needs to be developed to encourage and study important facets of early history of Kashmir.

This Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) recognises and affirms that the University of Kashmir and the University of Sydney desire to develop

a collaborative arrangement, whereby the Institutions may participate in collaborative teaching, training, research and other agreed activities that further enhance the relationship between the Institutions.

In accordance with this MOU, the Institutions will use reasonable endeavours, within their limitations to:

- a. Identify opportunities for joint activities in areas of mutual interest, where areas of mutual interest may include:
- i. Exchange programme for facilitating higher academic and research pursuits;
- ii. Exchange of research scholars pursuing M.Phil./Ph.D;
- iii. Organize joint International Conferences on the themes of mutual interest and publish the proceedings jointly;
- Facilitate visits from one Institution to the other by members of their academic staff for the purpose of participating in teaching, training, research programs and other agreed activities; and
- c. Encourage on a completely voluntary basis the exchange of scientific materials, publications and other information between the Institutions.

Worthy Vice-Chancellor is requested to kindly authorize the agreement and sign the Memorandum of Understanding.

(Professor Alison Betts)

Director, Centre for Classical and

Near Eastern Studies University of Sydney (Professor Khurshid Iqbal Andrabi)
Vice-Chancellor

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#### ФЕДЕРАЛЬНОЕ ГОСУДАРСТВЕННОЕ БЮДЖЕТНОЕ УЧРЕЖДЕНИЕ НАУКИ

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#### Memorandum of Understanding

Srinagar, India - Novosibirsk, Russia

The Parties:

The Federal State Budgetary Institution of Science the Institute of Archaeology and Ethnography, Siberian Branch of the Russian Academy of Sciences (IAET SB RAS, Novosibirsk), duly represented by its Director, Dr. M. V. Shunkov, and the Centre of Central Asian Studies, University of Kashmir, Srinagar, India, duly represented by its Director, Prof. G.N. Khaki, hereinafter collectively referred to as "Parties", with the purpose to undertake joint research in the fields of archaeology and reconstruction of issues regarding human migrations in Central Asia, have entered into this Agreement in respect of the following:

#### SUBJECT OF AGREEMENT

1.1. The Parties will give research priority to the interdisciplinary archaeological studies of Kashmir archaeological sites and analytical studies in research laboratories of the Siberian Branch of the Russian Academy of Sciences.

#### 2. LIABILITIES OF THE PARTIES

#### 2.1. The Parties undertake to:

- 2.1.1. Carry out joint archaeological studies and analytical research based on laboratory facilities and equipment available for the Parties.
- 2.1.2. Carry out duplicate studies for some key results with the purpose to obtain unbiased scientific information.
- 2.1.3. Publish the obtained scientific data under joint authorship and negotiate the team of contributors with the project managers on the basis of a full consensus.
- 2.1.4. Encourage prompt publication of obtained data in specialized scientific literature issued both in the countries represented by the Parties and in the third countries.
- 2.1.5. Provide full support and assistance to young scientists participating in the project.

#### 2.2. IAET SB RAST undertakes to:

- 2.2.1. Facilitate researchers participating in this Agreement to collect samples in the field.
- 2.2.2. Carry out a set of necessary anthropological studies within this project, participating in discussions of the summarized results and their subsequent publication.
- 2.2.3. Carry out archaeological studies within this project, participating in discussions of the summarized results and their subsequent publication.

#### 2.3. The Centre of Central Asian Studies undertakes to:

2.3.1. Carry out field and analytical studies, participate in discussions of summarized results, their subsequent publication and the list of co-authors and seeking consensus in all these issues.

#### 3. DURATION

3.1. The following persons are appointed as the principal investigators of the Agreement:

On the part of IAET SB RAS: **Prof. N.V. Polosmak**.

On the part of the Centre of Central Asian Studies: Dr. Mohammad Ajmal Shah.

- 3.2. This Agreement will come into force on the day of its conclusion and signing by both Parties and remains valid for the term of the three consecutive years. The provisions of this Agreement will be binding for the next five years upon the termination of the Agreement in case of pending publications on the issues in question.
- 3.3. This Agreement is executed in two copies in Russian and English languages; each copy is equally valid and binding.
- 3.4. The Agreement does not imply any exclusive relationships between the Parties that prevent the Parties from entering into agreements with third parties and carrying out their own activity similar to that specified in the present Agreement.
- 3.5. All legal and financial responsibilities of the Parties occurred on the basis of special agreements as appendixes to the present Agreement.

Director,

Federal State Budgetary Institution of Science - Institute of Archaeology and Ethnography, Siberian Branch of the Russian Academy of Sciences

Dr. M.V. Shunkov

«\_10\_» June 2016

Director,

Centre of Central Asian Studies, University of Kashmir, Srinagar, Jammu & Kashmir, India,

Professor GIN Khakidde University of Kashmir

« 10» June 2016

#### MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

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#### Areas of Co-operation

The Universities agree that the objectives of the Memorandum Re-

- (a) The exchange of information and academic materials
- (i) visits by and exchange of research and teaching staff only if the relevant faculty agencie;
- visits by and exchange of students; students will be responsible for the cost of room, heard, travel, or other personal expenses, students will be exempted from payou; turbon fees at the post institution.
- (d) development of collaborative research projects, and
- organisation of joint academic activities, such as lectures, seminars, conferences and courses.

#### Implementation & Funding

To implement the collaborative activities envisaged, representatives of the Universities may propose, negotiate and conclude specific agreements. The details including the financial arrangements, will be set out in the specific agreements. The Universities acknowledge that in the absence of any provision to the country in the specific agreement(s), all expenses of salary, travel, accommodation, living and related costs will be the responsibility of the visitor himself or herself.

#### Duration

This Memorandum shall commence on the date of its signing by the parties and remain in force for five years. It may be amended by the parties mutual consent. This Memorandum shall renew itself automatically for successive periods of five years unless either University gives written notice to terminate at least six months before the expiry of the relevant five-year period.

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# Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between The Xinjiang Social Sciences Academy, People's Republic of China and The University of Kashmir, Srinagar, J&K, India



The Xinjiang Social Sciences Academy, People's Republic of China (relating to its Institute of Central Asia) and the University of Kashmir (relating to its Centre of Central Asian Studies), do hereby sign the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) for establishing long-term contacts based on mutual academic interest and respect.

#### Article 1

The two institutions agree to establish and develop mutual relations, and conduct research on Central Asia and its neighbourhood in the fields of history, culture, polity, society, economy, education etc.

#### Article 2

Both parties agree to promote contacts for scientific research in the following manner:

- i) To organize joint research projects, publications and conferences;
- To discuss issues of common academic interests in joint meetings, workshops, symposia etc.;
- iii) To exchange faculty and scholars to share expertise and facilitate research;
- iv) To share knowledge and information on the regional and global issues;
- v) To organize cultural exchanges of field experts, teachers, scholars and students;
- vi) To contribute to the Journal/Digest published by the two institutions;
- vii) To assist each other in obtaining relevant publications/magazines/literature essential for the academic pursuit;
- viii)To facilitate the field study of the respective faculty members and research scholars by fixing their meetings with the concerned respondents and providing local guidance for the purpose;
- ix) The visiting faculty members shall, on their own, bear all expenses on their travel, accommodation etc. however, the host institution/s shall facilitate their visit, stay, research and field work.

#### Article 3

Both parties agree to mutually sort out the difference/s should it ever arise during the period of agreement.

#### **Article 4**

The Agreement shall be effective from the date it is signed by the Director of Xinjiang Social Sciences Academy, People's Republic of China, and the Registrar, University of Kashmir, Srinagar, J&K, India.

#### Article 5

The agreement shall remain operative till either of the two parties feels withdrawing from it (in writing).

Prof. Wu Fuhuan

Director

Xinjiang Social Sciences Academy, Urmuchi, People's Republic of China

2008.6.12.

Prof. S. Fayyaz Ahmad

Registrar

University of Kashmir Srinagar, J&K, India



#### Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between The Institute of History, Academy of Sciences (Fanlar Akademiyasi Tarix Instituti), Uzbekistan and The Centre of Central Asian Studies, The University of Kashmir, Srinagar, J&K, India



The present MOU on academic cooperation is concluded between the *Institute of History, Academy of Sciences* (Fanlar Akademiyasi Tarix Instituti: hereafter FATI), Tashkent, Uzbekistan and the Centre of Central Asian Studies (hereafter CCAS), University of Kashmir, Srinagar, J&K, India. Both institutions are hereafter referred to as party/s in the following text:

#### 1. Area of Cooperation:

- 1.1. The Parties hereby agree on cooperation in the following fields:
  - · History and cultures of Central Asia & India;
  - · Ethnic processes and social transformations in Central Asia.

#### 2. Nature of Cooperation:

Cooperation will be promoted in the following fields:

- 2.1. Joint conferences and symposia;
- 2.2. Joint publications and research projects:
- 2.3. Exchange of publications:
- 2.4. Joint research in international projects;
- 2.5. Cultural exchange programmes;
- 2.6. Faculty/ student exchange programmes;
- 2.7. Facilitating research of FATI in India and that of CCAS in Uzbekistan.

#### 3. Terms of Finance:

3.1. The cooperation shall be governed by the funds available at the respective institutions including the foreign fundings, if any.

#### 4. Obligations of the Parties:

- 4.1. To fulfill above programmes, the host party shall provide visa support, academic partnership, necessary documents for field work and access to local libraries and archives. The arrangements should be made for accommodation and interpreters.
- 4.2. The faculty members of the parties shall contribute their research articles to *Uzbekiston Tarixi* (History of Uzbekistan) and *Journal of Central Asian Studies* published by the *FATI* and the *CCAS* respectively. However, the translation of these research articles from the Uzbek, Russian and English shall be done by the parties by mutual support and cooperation.

#### 5. Duration etc. of the Agreement:

- 5.1. The Agreement shall have two versions, one each in English and Russian;
- 5.2. Two copies of each version shall be signed and retained by the competent authorities;
- 5.3. The present Agreement shall come into effect from the date it is signed by the two parties. It shall be valid for five years from the date of its signing:
- 5.4. Amendments or supplements to this Agreement, if any, shall be done by the mutual consent of the parties.

July, 2008

Prof. Dilorom Alimova

Director

Institute of History, Academy of Sciences Taskent, Uzbekistan Prof. S. Fayyaz Ahmad Registrar University of Kashmir

Srinagar, J&K, India





#### Memorandum of Understanding

#### Between the

University of Kashmir, Srinagar, J&K, India and the

Kyrgyzstan-Tukey Manas University,Bishkek, Kyrgyzstan

The University of Kashmir (through its Centre of Central Asian Studies), and Kyrgyzstan-Tukey Manas University, Bishkek, Kyrgyzstan, sign the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) for establishing long term inter-University relationship and mutual academic cooperation.

#### Article-I

That the two institutions undertake to carry out joint research in the fields of history, culture, economy, sociology, political science, languages, etc. about Central Asian Republics and their neighbourhood. These projects will be identified by mutual consent and different funding agencies will be approached for sponsorship and support. Each institution will nominate at least two scholars/experts on such projects.

#### Article-II

That they also admit to promote faculty exchange programme to facilitate teaching and share expertise leading to the academic pursuit.

#### Article-III

That they further resolve to exchange faculty members and research scholars and provide them all possible library facilities, local hospitality and guide facility during the course of their field work.

#### Article-IV

That they admit to remunerate and provide honorarium (per lecture) to the visiting teachers as per the set norms of the country concerned. Such lectures shall be organized on their visit to the respective institutions/countries for research.

#### Article-V

That both institutions resolve to edit and publish monographs, text books, projects, essays, book reviews, etc.

#### **Article-VI**

That to sustain such cooperation in perpetuity, the Rectors/ Vice Chancellors or their nominees will carry out mutual visits once a year. Whereas the travel expenses will be borne by the visiting university, the host university will host the visiting delegation.

#### **Article-VII**

That the agreement will come into effect from the date of signing it by the Registrar, on behalf of the University of Kashmir, Srinagar (under statues) and the Rector/ Dy.Rector or any other official (under statues) of the Kyrgyzstan-Turkey Manas University, Bishkek, Kyrgyzstan.

Prof. Dr. Seyfullah Cevik

Rector/ Dy.Rector Kyrgyzstan-Turkey Manas University, Bishkek , Kyrgyzstan Registrar University of Kashmir Srinagar, J&K, India

Prof.Mehraj ud Din

#### The University of Kashmir Hazratbal Srinagar-190006, J&K, India

Memorandum of Understanding Between the University of Kashmir, Srinagar, Jelk, India and the Ch. Ch. Valikhanov Institute of History and Ethnology, Almaty, Kazakhstan.

Article-I

The University of Kashmir (through its Centre of Central Asian Studies), and Ch. Ch. Valikhanov Institute of History and Ethnology, Ministry of Science and Technology, Almaty, Kazakhstan, sign the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) for establishing contacts based on mutual academic interest and respect.

#### Article-II

The two institutions undertake to carry out joint research on the history of a 16th century historian and ruler of Kashmir, Mirza Haidar Dughlat.

#### Article-III

The two institutions further agree to organize research on the issues relating to the history, culture, economy, education, etc. of Central Asian Republics and their neighbouring world.

#### Article-IV

They also admit to promote scholarly/faculty exchange to facilitate research and share expertise leading to the academic pursuit.

#### Article-V

They further resolve to provide, barring travel allowance (T.A.), all sorts of facilities like institutional accommodation, local hospitality, transport, etc. to the visiting scholars/ faculty members of the two institutes.

#### Article-VI

Both institutions resolve to carry out joint research projects, edit and publish monographs, text books, projects, essays, book reviews, etc.

#### Article-VII

The agreement will come into effect from the date of signing it by the Director of the institute in Kazakhstan and the Registrar of the University of Kashmir, Srinagar.

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### Centre of Central Asian Studies University of Kashmir

Activities held under Memorandum of Understanding between Institute of Archaeology and Ethnography, Russian Academy of Sciences, Novosibirsk, Russia and Centre of Central Asian Studies, University of Kashmir, 2015-2018.

#### **Joint Projects:**

**Principle investigators:** 

- **1. Professor Natalia Polosmak:** Institute of Archaeology and Ethnography, Siberian branch of Russian Academy of Sciences, Novosibrisk, Russia
- **2. Dr. Mohammad Ajmal Shah:** Centre of Central Asian Studies, University of Kashmir.
- 1) Awarded Research Grant (24,500 Euros) for a project "Archaeological Studies of the migration routes from Central Asia to Kashmir-**2015**", funded by Gerda Henkel Stiftung, Germany.
- 2) Awarded Research Grant (120, 000 Euros) for a project "Archaeological Studies of the migration routes from Central Asia to Kashmir-2016-17", (extended to 2018 by funding agency due to unrest in Kashmir in 2016) funded by Gerda Henkel Stiftung, Germany.

#### **Activities held: (2015-2018)**

#### **Field Surveys:**

- 1. Conducted Geophysical Survey at Ahan (Ganderbal District) from 31-10-2015 to 21-11-2015.
- 2. Dr. Ajmal Shah, Participated in "Field Archaeological Excavations at Neolithic and Bronze/Iron age sites of Tartas and Vengerova-2 in Vengerovo District, Novosibriski province, Siberia, Russia from 06-06-2016 to 14-06-2016.

- 3. Field work conducted in Zanaskar Valley in Ladakh, 2016, funded by Gerda Henkel Stiftung, Germany in collaboration with Institute of Archaeology and Ethnography, Russian Academy of Sciences, Novosibrisk, Russia.
- 4. Conducted 3D archaeological project at Gool archaeological site, 2017, in Ramban District of Jammu & Kashmir in collaboration with Institute of Archaeology and Ethnography, Russian Academy of Sciences, Novosibrisk, Russia from 31 May to 15 June, 2017.
- 5. Conducted Excavations at Ahan, Ganderbal, Kashmir, 2017, funded by Gerda Henkel Stiftung, Germany in collaboration with Institute of Archaeology and Ethnography, Russian Academy of Sciences, Novosibrisk, Russia from 06-09-2018 to 26-09-2018.
- 6. Conducted Analysis work of archaeological material for publication of report of Ahan Excavations held in 2017.
- 7. Conducted 3D archaeological project at Gool archaeological site, 2018, in Ramban District of Kashmir valley in collaboration with Institute of Archaeology and Ethnography, Russian Academy of Sciences, Novosibrisk, Russia from 01-05-2018 to 10-05-2018.

#### **Extension Lectures:**

- 1. Extension Lecture held at CCAS of Prof. Natalia Polosmak from Institute of Archaeology and Ethnography, Siberian branch of Russian Academy of Sciences, Novosibrisk, Russia, on 10-11-2015.
- 2. Delivered a lecture *Distant Displays of Power-Emerging Evidence from Kashmir Archaeology*, organized by Institute of Archaeology and Ethnography, Siberian branch of Russian Academy of Sciences, Novosibrisk, Russia, dated 06-06-2016.
- 3. Dr. Ajmal Shah delivered a series of lectures at Institute of Archaeology and Ethnography, Russian Academy of Sciences, Novosibrisk, Russia from 11-01-2018 to 23-01-2018
- 4. Conducted Extension Lecture at CCAS of Prof. Natalia Polosmak from Institute of Archaeology and Ethnography, Siberian branch of Russian Academy of Sciences, Novosibrisk, Russia, on 20-09-2018.

#### **International workshop:**

1. Conducted One week International Workshop on Archaeological Field Methods from 20<sup>th</sup> - 26<sup>th</sup> of September, 2018, in CCAS in collaboration with Institute of Archaeology and Ethnography, Russian Academy of Sciences, Novosibrisk, Russia.

#### **Joint Publications:**

1. Published a Joint Research paper on "Petroglyphs of Zanaskar, India: Findings of the 2016 Season", in Journal of Archaeology, Ethnology and Anthropology of Eurasia, 46 (2): 60-67.

#### **Joint Publications in Press:**

- 1. Survey cum Excavation Report of Ahan, Ganderbal, Kashmir (to be published soon)
- 2. 3D Catalogue of archaeological monuments and sculptures at Gool, Ramban, Jammu (to be published soon).

Prof. G. N. Khaki Director

Activities held under Memorandum of Understanding between EPHE, PSL Research University, France and Centre of Central Asian Studies, University of Kashmir, 2017-2018.

**Activities held: (2016-2018)** 

#### **Meetings Held:**

- 1. Dr. Ajmal Shah (CCAS) attended meeting in Delhi on 30-03-2017 with Prof. Laurianne Bruneau (EPHE, PSL, France) for finalizing dates for signing Memorandum of Understanding and .
- 2. Dr. Ajmal Shah (CCAS) attended meeting in French Institute, New Delhi on 05-07-2018 and 06-07-2018 with Prof. Laurianne Bruneau (EPHE, PSL University, France), Prof. Vinod Nautiyal (HNB University, Garhwal) and Dr. Martin Vernier (Switzerland) for Joint collaborative project in Himalayan region of Ladakh.

#### **Project Submitted:**

- 1. Submitted a Joint Project for Rock Art Studies in Ladakh region with Prof. Laurianne, EPHE, PSL University, Paris, France and Dr. Mohammad Ajmal Shah from CCAS as Principle investigators (**Result awaited**)
- 2. Excavation permission submitted to Directorate of Archaeology, Archives and Museums, J & K Govt, for the site of Leh Chosker, Ladakh.

#### **Extension Lectures:**

- 1. Conducted extension lecture of Prof. Laurianne Bruneau (EPHE, PSL Research University, Paris, France) at Centre of Central Asian Studies, University of Kashmir on 06-07-2017.
- 2. Under the Bilateral agreement between the institutions Dr. Ajmal Shah is visiting EPHE, PSL Research University in Paris from 01 08 December, 2018.

#### **Conference (upcoming):**

1. Both the parties will jointly organize a conference on Trans-Himalayan Art and Archaeology scheduled to be held in July in Paris, France or in New Delhi.

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