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Sub: Announcement of Signing of Memorandum of Association (MoA) with Penn State University, USA & Details on Joint Degree Programs

Dear Students, Faculty and Staff,

We are pleased to officially announce that Mohan Babu University will be signing a Memorandum of Association (MoA) with **Penn State University**, **USA** on **15**th **May 2025**. The Chancellor of Penn State University **Dr. David M Callejo Perez** and the Vice-Chancellor of Penn State University **Dr. Vahid Motevalli** are attending for signing this MoU.

Penn State University, a distinguished public research institution established in 1855, is ranked 89th in the QS World University Rankings 2025 and holds a position below 50 in various subject-specific rankings. The university offers over 275 undergraduate and postgraduate programs and caters to more than 90,000 students across its multiple campuses.

This is first of its kind in the country to sign a MoA with a university ranked within the top 100 of the QS World Rankings. This significant partnership marks a major milestone in our university's journey towards global academic collaboration and excellence.

The MoA establishes a bilateral academic alliance that facilitates joint degree programs designed to provide our students with international exposure, diverse learning opportunities, and enhanced employability on a global scale.

Under this MoA, the following joint degree programs will be offered:

Undergraduate:

 2+2 Program (Students will study 2 years at Mohan Babu University followed by 2 years at Penn State University.)

Postgraduate:

- 4+1 Program (4 years at Mohan Babu University + 1 year at Penn State University)
- 1+1 Program (1 year at Mohan Babu University + 1 year at Penn State University)

Academic Advantages:

- Access to world-class curriculum and faculty from Penn State University.
- Exposure to advanced research facilities and diverse academic resources.

- Opportunities for collaborative projects, internships, and workshops.
- Eligibility to earn joint degrees recognized internationally from the University ranked within the top 100 of the QS World Rankings.
- Enhanced skill development with an emphasis on global standards and innovation.

Financial Advantages:

- Scholarships and financial aid opportunities available specifically for students of the joint degree programs offered by the University ranked within the top 100 of the QS World Rankings.
- Significant cost savings (Approximately 50% of the total cost of the program) compared to enrolling directly in a foreign university for the entire course duration.
- Possibility of on-campus job opportunities while studying at Penn State University to support living expenses.

Operational Advantages:

- Seamless credit transfer system between Mohan Babu University and Penn State University.
- Academic and administrative support provided throughout the program by dedicated coordinators at both universities.
- Simplified visa facilitation support in collaboration with Penn State University for students opting to study in the USA.
- Continuous mentorship and career guidance for smooth transition and successful completion of the program.

Important Note:

Students eligible for UG and PG programs are encouraged to attend an Orientation Session on **16th May 2025 at 10:45 AM** in the Dasari Auditorium to learn more about the application process, program structure, and benefits.

We invite all students and faculty members to join us in celebrating this exceptional step forward for Mohan Babu University and to take full advantage of this exciting opportunity.

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