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Obama-Singh 21st Century Knowledge Initiative Announces Second Round of Awards

In a continuation of the educational partnership between India and the United States, the State Department is pleased to announce the eight institutional partnership projects below for the second round of Obama-Singh 21st Century Knowledge Initiative awards. The initiative aims to strengthen collaboration and build partnerships between American and Indian institutions of higher education. Each project will receive an award of approximately \$250,000 that can be utilized over a three year period, with the aim of encouraging mutual understanding, educational reform, and economic growth, as well as the development of junior faculty at Indian and American institutions of higher learning.

US-led Partnerships:

Harvard School of Public Health

Project Title: Harvard-India Nutrition Initiative

Partner Institution: St. Johns Research Institute, Bangalore

Ohio State University

Project Title: The STEM Faculty Project: Training the Next Generation of STEM Faculty at Higher

Education Institutions in India

Partner Institution: Aligarh Muslim University

University of Massachusetts, Amherst

Project Title: Inclusive Universities: Linking Diversity, Equity and Excellence for the 21st Century

Partner Institution: University of Pune

University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill

Project Title: Partnering for Success: Advancing Sustainability Research and Education in India

Partner Institution: Indian Institute of Management, Bangalore

Indian-led Partnerships:

Annamalai University

Project Title: Tamil Nadu Energy Futures: Mapping Uncertainties and Risks

Partner Institutions: Tennessee Technological University

Assam Agricultural University

 $\textbf{Project Title:} \ \, \textbf{Engineering ADP - Glucose Pyrophosphorylase (AGPase) enzymes for heat tolerance in rice} \\$

Partner Institution: Washington State University

Avinashilingam Institute for Home Science and Higher Education for Women

Project Title: A Sustainable 'Response to Intervention' model for successful inclusion of children with

disabilities –A India-US Partnership

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Partner Institution: University of Minnesota, Minneapolis

National Institute of Technology - Trichy

Project Title: Cognitive based Curriculum Development Tool for emerging areas of Computer Engineering

and Management Studies for improving Teaching-Learning Process

Partner Institution: University of Nevada, Las Vegas

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