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Indian Army and ICFAI University sign MoU to promote military-academia engagement

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GANGTOK, February 10: The Indian Army and ICFAI University, Sikkim formalised a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) to enhance educational, research and skill development opportunities for Army personnel, veterans and their dependents. The MoU signing ceremony was held at the headquarters of the 17 Mountain Division in the presence of senior representatives from both institutions.

The collaboration underscores the Indian Army's continued commitment to capacity building and lifelong learning for its soldiers and their families, the university said. "Under this partnership, ICFAI University, Sikkim will extend substantial fee concessions and provide access to undergraduate, postgraduate, and doctoral programmes."

The MoU also enables credit transfer for courses conducted at military training establishments, offers tailor-



made professional programmes, and provides support in areas such as financial literacy and tax advisory. Where required, exclusive academic batches will be created for Army beneficiaries, the university said.

Appreciating the proactive role of ICFAI University, the Indian Army highlighted the

university's efforts in aligning academic offerings with national skill development objectives under the "whole of nation approach." The university leadership, in turn, acknowledged the Indian Army's invaluable contribution to nation building and reaffirmed its commitment to strengthening military-

academia cooperation.

As part of the collaboration, the ICFAI University will also facilitate joint research initiatives, academic visits to Army establishments, leadership development sessions for students, and motivational interactions aimed at fostering discipline, leadership

qualities, and national character among youth.

The ceremony was attended by senior Army officers and ICFAI University authorities. Both sides reiterated that the partnership would significantly enhance educational and professional opportunities for soldiers and youth alike, while deepening institutional cooperation between the Indian Army and academia, the release adds.