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The Hon'ble Vice Chancellor,
Andhra University,
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Dear Sir,

1. Indian Air Force had signed MoUs with Centre for Defence Studies, Andhra University for professional and academic advancement of service personnel and career advancement of ex-servicemen and families. Accordingly, some of the prestigious Training Institutions of service have also affiliated themselves with Andhra University for Post Graduate Programmes in respective fields of excellence.
2. In addition, the Centre for Defence Studies of Andhra University had taken keen interest and designed several academic and professional programmes for Officers and others from the level of a Certificate program right up to PhD, to meet different needs of different classes of personnel. Being a PhD Research Scholar myself, I am very conscious of the deep involvement and the endeavour that has been put in by the administrative and academic faculties of the Andhra University under the outstanding leadership of Prof PVGD Prasad Reddy, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor.
3. This has contributed to the ex-servicemen being accorded high placements, post retirement. Further, mere fact that as many as 50 officers are undergoing PhD programme in Andhra University in various disciplines is a reflection in itself. Pertinently, as a measure of recognition to the service rendered, the Andhra University has also provided "50% Fees discount for Veer Naris, Dependents of Martyrs and War disabled Soldiers for pursuing Higher studies (Degree to PhD level). This deserves specific appreciation.

4. The efforts of Centre for Defence Studies, especially by the Director and Academic Advisor towards smooth coordination of all stakeholders deserve specific mention. I wish to place of record the deep involvement, effort and attitude of the Team Andhra University in reaching out to all of us through the Centre for Defence Studies in the area of Defence Joint Education and Research Program. I deeply value, appreciate and commend the efforts and performance.

Warm Regards

Yours Sincerely

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