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To Whom It May Concern

Having visited Kaveri University on multiple occasions and engaged with its faculty through research seminars and PhD co-supervision, I have gained valuable first-hand insight into its academic ecosystem. Among the many universities in India with which I have interacted, Kaveri University stands out for its modern infrastructure, vibrant academic community, and strong commitment to quality teaching.

Most notably, the progressive outlook reflected across its leadership and faculty fosters meaningful academic engagement and collaborative research. Within a relatively short span, the university has demonstrated commendable institutional growth and is steadily building a credible research footprint.

Its emphasis on industry-aligned education, experiential learning, and research-driven teaching positions Kaveri University as an emerging, promising institution that is contributing significantly to India's higher education and agricultural innovation landscape.

Sincerely,

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Berlin, February 3, 2026

-To whom it may concern-**Perception Statement – Kaveri Agricultural University**

Kaveri Agricultural University is widely recognized as the first technical university in the region with a strong industry-oriented focus on agriculture, uniquely positioned to bridge academic research with practical, field-level innovation. The university places strong emphasis on AgriTech, precision agriculture, and digital agriculture, integrating advanced technologies to enhance productivity, sustainability, and evidence-based decision-making across agricultural value chains. A key distinguishing feature of the university is its strong in-house academia-industry ecosystem, which enables close, continuous collaboration between researchers, students, startups, and established agri-industry partners. This ecosystem supports rapid translation of research into deployable solutions, particularly in areas such as seed systems, crop improvement, smart inputs, mechanization, and data-driven farm management.

The university is particularly noted for its close collaboration with the seed industry, supported by excellent modern laboratory infrastructure, state-of-the-art facilities, and strong capabilities in controlled and open-field experimentation. Its well-developed experimental farms enable the execution of large-scale, real-world trials, supporting rigorous validation of AgriTech innovations, farming practices, and crop technologies.

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In addition, the Fraunhofer Heinrich Hertz Institute has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Kaveri Agricultural University, establishing a framework for international collaboration in AgriTech, digital agriculture, precision farming, applied research, and technology transfer. This partnership further strengthens the university's global outlook and alignment with cutting-edge research and innovation ecosystems. With its strong technical foundation, integrated academia–industry environment, advanced infrastructure, and international partnerships, Kaveri Agricultural University is well positioned to introduce and scale the Living Lab concept. This approach enables continuous co-creation, real-world experimentation, and collaborative innovation involving farmers, industry partners, researchers, startups, and policymakers, thereby accelerating the adoption of sustainable, scalable, and future-ready agricultural solutions.

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Dr. Praveen Rao, Vice Chancellor, Kaveri University, Hyderabad -India

Dear Dr Paveen Rao,

It is my pleasure to be associated with Kaveri University an applicant for national ranking this year.

Kaveri University is an emerging, first-of-its-kind private agricultural university in India, strategically designed to address the needs of rural India while engaging with global agricultural challenges. Its future-market ready curriculum is strongly aligned with agritech, digital agriculture, and climate-smart farming systems. The University has developed a robust in-house academia–industry ecosystem supported by state-of-the-art laboratories, farms, and innovation infrastructure. Experiential and hands-on learning is a core pedagogical strength, ensuring students graduate with practical, industry-relevant skills. Undergraduate students have already achieved national recognition by winning awards for developing AI-based solutions for the seed industry. The faculty comprise experienced academicians and industry professionals with strong national and international exposure. Kaveri University integrates climate change, sustainability, and rural livelihoods into teaching, research, and innovation. Its focus on innovation, employability, and societal impact positions it as a strong contender for national ranking this year.

Warm regards,

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To,
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Dear Prof. Paveen Rao,

It is a privilege to be associated with Kaveri University, an applicant for the national ranking this year. During my visit in January 2026, I was greatly impressed by the university's dynamic approach to agricultural education, combining advanced information technology with a robust agronomy curriculum.

Kaveri University's commitment to integrating AI, IoT, and digital farming tools into ICAR-aligned programmes stands out as a model for modern agricultural learning. By linking research labs, demonstration farms, and industry collaborations, it creates a seamless bridge between innovation and application.

This ecosystem not only enhances academic excellence but also empowers students to become globally competent, future-ready professionals equipped to address the challenges of tomorrow's agriculture.

I wish you all the best in achieving the important milestones ahead.

Warm regards,

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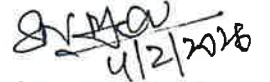
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PERCEPTION STATEMENT

Based on my visit and interactions with faculty and students, Kaveri University is perceived as an emerging institution committed to quality higher education, research, and innovation, particularly in agricultural and allied sciences. The academic environment reflects a strong emphasis on skill development, experiential learning, and practical orientation, with students showing encouraging engagement with contemporary agricultural challenges.

The University's efforts to strengthen infrastructure, adopt modern teaching-learning approaches, and promote interdisciplinary learning indicate a forward-looking and progressive institutional vision. There is visible intent to align education and research with industry relevance and national priorities in agricultural education and human resource development.

Overall, Kaveri University demonstrates promising potential to contribute to capacity building, skilled manpower development, and community-oriented initiatives in support of sustainable agri-food systems.


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The Kaveri university has demonstrated a strong commitment to quality education, interdisciplinary research, and societal impact. Notably, The University is fostering agri-tech through an in-house academia-industry ecosystem by developing state-of-the-art laboratories and experiential learning units.

The university aims to provide a comprehensive educational environment, fostering innovation, critical thinking, and skill development. It has well experienced faculty with research publications and projects. The university has excellent ecosystem to empower students as per present requirements.



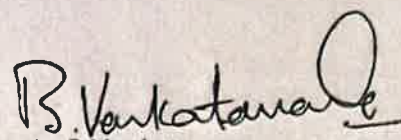
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I had an opportunity to visit the Kaveri University campus in Hyderabad few months ago . I went around the campus , the buildings, laboratories , instructional farm and briefly interacted with the students . I was highly impressed with the spacious and well equipped class rooms, state of the art laboratories and extensive and well laid out instructional and research farm. Based on my experience of evaluating several public and private universities as chairman of the peer review team of ICAR, I can say that this is one of the best private universities offering B.Sc (Ag) course in the country. What impressed me most was their forward looking approach of training students on frontier technologies like digital agriculture and AI and their close interaction with the industry

My best wishes for the growth and prosperity of this unique institution


Dr B.Venkateswarlu
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Date: 04.02.2026

To,

Dr. Praveen Rao,
Vice Chancellor, Kaveri University,
Hyderabad

Dear Prof. Praveen Rao,

I had the opportunity to visit the Kaveri University campus and interact with the faculty members and the university leadership. I was deeply impressed by the vision and clarity of purpose with which the university is being developed.

The infrastructure is truly world-class, and the laboratory facilities are state-of-the-art, providing an excellent environment for teaching, learning, and research.

I have also reviewed the curriculum framework for the B.Tech programs in Computer Science & Engineering, Artificial Intelligence & Machine Learning, and Data Science. The curriculum is well-aligned with global developments in technology and industry requirements. Students will greatly benefit from the strong academic ecosystem and the thoughtfully designed curriculum.

I am confident that Kaveri University will evolve into an excellent centre for learning and academic excellence in the years to come.

With best regards,



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I have the privilege of visiting KAVERI UNIVERSITY and also have a deep engagement with its V.C. , faculty and graduate students. This has enabled me to gain first-hand knowledge of its progressive outlook and emphasis on the latest academic curricula ; research, both basic and industry aligned ; and experiential learning.

Kaveri University also has a very modern campus with the latest physical and digital infrastructure , a student community eager to learn and a very competent faculty with a strong commitment to quality teaching and research. The university has already shown considerable institutional growth and research outcomes. The university is incorporating the latest technologies , both in teaching and research , so that the institution and its students are future ready and are able to address the innumerable global problems being faced by Indian agriculture , including Climate Change , deteriorating soils , water supply issues and the need for crop varieties that are suitable for processing .

Kaveri University's very broad and modern Vision and USP includes a sharp focus on the latest AgriTech , including remote sensing and big data analysis , use of drones , IoT and AI .

Kaveri University has also developed very close working relationships with Industry, Industry Associations , Farmers' Associations , Seed companies and with leading foreign universities . This wide outreach has enabled the university to focus on existing and evolving problems and thus innovate .

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The graduate students regularly participate in most of the relevant technical sessions of the seminars/conferences conducted by these associations. Thus , they learn about the latest technologies being implemented worldwide. They also develop professional and personal networks which would benefit them in their careers.

KAVERI UNIVERSITY is a very promising emerging educational institution and is a Trail Blazer in its field . Thus , it is a very deserving and strong contender for NATIONAL RANKING this year.

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