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## **To Whom It May Concern**

## RE: VISIT OF DR. SANTOSH PATIL TO UNIVERSITI TEKNOLOGI PETRONAS

It is my pleasure to host Associate Professor Dr. Santosh Patil from Department of Mechanical Engineering, Manipal University Jaipur (MUJ), Rajasthan who visited Mechanical Engineering Department, Universiti Teknologi PETRONAS (UTP), Malaysia from 18<sup>th</sup> June to 29<sup>th</sup> June 2018 under Endowment Fund Scheme for International Visit provided by MUJ.

During his tenure, Dr. Santosh has been engaged with the following activities:

- He discussed with me on research collaboration and possibilities of MoU between MUJ, India and UTP, Malaysia for exchange programs for UG and PG students of MUJ and UTP.
- He communicated with Strategic Alliance Office (SAO), Centre for Student Development (CSD) and Mechanical Engineering Department faculty members on the possibilities of MoU.
- He interacted with faculty members, UG and PG students of Mechanical Engineering Department and discussed the research facilities available in MUJ and possibilities of exchange program.
- We discussed some research problems on "Numerical and Experimental studies of basalt/carbon epoxy composites with holes and defects".
- We also discussed joint research supervision and organising short courses/seminars.

During his tenure, Dr. Santosh was sincere, reliable, trustworthy, and open to challenges. He has the motivation to take initiative in his work. I am gratified that he has been helpful in the advancement of my research. He has a genial temperament and can work efficiently in a team.

I wish him all the best in his future endeavour and hope our research collaboration reaches greater heights.

Sincerely yours,

Assoc. Prof. Dr Saravanan Karuppanan Mechanical Engineering Department

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