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'CU one of the best universities in India'

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Calcutta University has been ranked one of the best Universities in India by the Ministry of Human Resource Development (MHRD).

Under a programme with the United States India Educational Foundation (USIEF), MHRD was to choose some of the best Universities of India which were to link up with US universities.

It has been decided that CU will sign an MoU with Claflin University, Orangeburg, South Carolina, while Jawarharlal Nehru University (JNU) in New Delhi will sign an MoU with Mississippi State University.

The Dibrugarh University in Assam will sign an MoU with Louisiana University in Los Angeles while Jawarharlal Nehru Insti-

tute of Technology at Andhra Pradesh will sign an MoU with Chicago State University.

At present, CU has MoUs with around 60 US Universities and students of CU and foreign Universities can take part in exchange programmes.

Prof Suranjan Das, V-C of Calcutta University said that the main aim is to encourage students to study abroad.

During the dialogue between Mr Manmohan Singh and Mr Barrack Obama, the two sides had decided to take up research and innovation partnership under the Singh-Obama Knowledge Initiative, institutional partnership and skill development as well as promotion of community colleges in India and technology-enabled education including massive open online courses.