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# MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

This Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) has been made on 6th day of March, 2019.

#### BY

National Coordinating Institute Unnat Bharat Abhiyan -Indian Institute of Technology, Hauz Khas, New Delhi 110016 (hereafter referred to as "NCI- UBA- IITD) represented through Dean Industrial Research and Development, who has been duly authorized in this regard by virtue of power conferred by Director IIT Delhi.

#### AND

National Institute of Technology Durgapur, an Education and Research Institute located at M G Avenue, Durgapur — 713209, West Bengal, India (hereinafter referred to as RCI-NIT Durgapur) represented through Prof. Anupam Basu (Director, NIT Durgapur), who has been duly authorized in this regard by virtue of Director/ Vice Chancellor/ Registrar of Regional Coordinating Institute Unnat Bharat Abhiyan.

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WHEREAS the Ministry of Human Resources Development (MHRD), Government of India has launched the program of Unnat Bharat Abhiyan (UBA-2.0), a National Program. Unnat Bharat Abhiyan is inspired by the vision of transformational change in rural development processes by leveraging knowledge institutions to help build the architecture of an Inclusive India. The Mission of Unnat Bharat Abhiyan is to enable higher educational institutions to work with the people of rural India in identifying development challenges and evolving appropriate solutions for accelerating sustainable growth. It also aims to create a virtuous cycle between society and an inclusive academic system by providing knowledge and practices for emerging professions and to upgrade the capabilities of both the public and the private sectors in responding to the development needs of rural India.

WHEREAS IITD has been designated to be the National Coordinating Institute (NCI) by Ministry of Human Resource Development (MHRD) for UBA and represented by Coordinator, UBA at IITD

WHEREAS, National Institute of Technology Durgapur, has agreed to participate in UBA as a Regional Coordinating Institute (RCI) for the region compromising of the following districts: Murshidabad (or Baharampur), Birbhum (or Siuri), Dakshin Dinajpur (or Baluraghat), Darjiling, Paschim Bardhaman (Durgapur & Raniganj), Malda (English Bazar), Jalpaiguri, Cooch Behar, Nadia (or Krishnanagar), Uttar Dinajpur, East Sikkim, North Sikkim, South Sikkim, West Sikkim

Both the organizations are collectively referred as "Parties" in the rest of this MoU

Now, therefore, it is hereby agreed between the Parties as follows:

## 1. SCOPE AND OBJECTIVES OF THE MoU

The parties shall work in a framework of mutual synergy and understanding for achieving the objectives of UBA:

- Regional Coordinating Institutions will be responsible for grooming the
  participating institutions in their mentioned regions in addition to carrying out
  their own cluster activities.
- Regional Coordinating Institutions will be responsible to facilitate, guide and monitor the activates of Participating Institutions in their region.
- RCIs shall work in accordance with the guidance and the plan approved by MHRD.

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#### 2. ROLE OF THE PARTIES

# 2.1 The National Coordinating Institute (NCI):

As already indicated, IIT Delhi has been designated to be the National Coordinating Institute for UBA represented by the UBA Coordinator at IITD.

The main task of the Coordinating Institute is to facilitate mutual interaction, consultation, responsibility allocation and an active liaison among the Regional Coordinating institutions, the subject expert groups as well as MHRD. It will also closely interact with the National Steering Committee in connection with the allocation of funds and other facilitating measures for effective and smooth running as well as the nation-wide proliferation of the UBA program.

### 2.2 Regional Coordinating Institute (RCI)

A some apex institutions in the country have been seriously involved in the development of rural areas and dissemination of appropriate technologies. They have also interacted with voluntary organizations as well as Govt. agencies in this process. They have the necessary expertise and wherewithal and therefore, can act as **Regional Coordinating Institutions** to facilitate the other participating institutions in their region Such Regional Coordinating Institutions will act as nodal centers for networking with local institutions, training and orientation for grooming other institutions.

#### 3. BASE LEVEL FUNDING

NCI shall be disbursing funds received by it from MHRD to RCI on the basis of a MoU for the expenditure required by each RCI and as accepted/approved by MHRD. The total funding over a specific period and the schedule of disbursement shall be decided by NCI after mutual consultation and / or any other mechanism as may be decided by the MHRD. Each recipient unit shall have to furnish a certificate that funds has been utilize as per the approved budget. Balance funds, if any, may be returned to NCI.

### 4. RESOLUTION OF DISPUTES

Disputes if any shall be resolved by discussions/consultation among the parties. Undisputed part if any shall be referred to MHRD for amicable solution. If there is any other matter not covered by this MoU or if there are differences in the interpretation of the terms and conditions of this MoU, the parties shall agree to make best efforts to resolve these matters. Finally the decision of MHRD shall be binding on both the parties.

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### 5. AMENDMENTS

If there is a need, the parties may agree to amend the terms and conditions of this MoU so as to reflect such a need.

#### 6. NOTICE

In the event that any written communication is required to be sent by one party to the other, the same shall be sent by email on Registered Post as may be necessary, to the following addresses:-

Centre for Rural Development & Technology

Director, NIT Durgapur M G Avenue, Durgapur - 713 209

IIT Delhi,

Hauz Khas, New Delhi- 110016

West Bengal, India

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have designed two original copies of this MoU to be signed by their duly authorized officers or representatives as of the date stated above.

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Signature on Behalf of the Director, IIT Delhi

प्रो. सुनील कुमार खरे

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Date:

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Date: 06/03/2019