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MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

BETWEEN **NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF SOCIAL DEFENCE (NISD) MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE & EMPOWERMENT, GOVERNMENT OF INDIA AND JAMIA MILLIA ISLAMIA, NEW DELHI**

This Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) is made on this 21st day of November, 2026, by and between:

National Institute of Social Defence (NISD), an autonomous body under the Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment, Government of India, located at Plot G-2, Sector-10, Dwarka, New Delhi -110075, hereinafter referred to as ***"NISD";***

AND

Jamia Millia Islamia, having its office at M.M.Ali Jauhar Marg, New Delhi 110025, hereinafter referred to as "the Training Partner".

NISD and the Training Partner are hereinafter collectively referred to as "the Parties" and individually as "a Party".

1. The objective of this MoU is to establish a collaborative framework between NISD and the Training Partner to design, organize, and implement training programs on social defence themes including substance/drug abuse prevention, rehabilitation of transgender persons and persons engaged in begging, and welfare of senior citizens, as per NISD's mandate.

2. **DEFINITIONS:**

For the purposes of this Memorandum of Understanding (MoU), unless the context otherwise requires, the following terms shall have the meanings respectively ascribed to them:

2.1. "MoU" shall mean this Memorandum of Understanding executed between the Parties, including any amendments or modifications thereto.

2.2. "Party" shall mean either the National Institute of Social Defence (NISD) or the Jamia Millia Islamia, New Delhi, individually; and "Parties" shall mean both collectively.

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2.3. "Training Program(s)" shall mean any educational or skill-building activity conducted pursuant to this MoU on themes relating to social defence interventions.

2.4. "Program Coordinator" shall mean the official designated by each Party to coordinate the planning, execution, supervision, and reporting of the Training Programs contemplated under this MoU.

2.5. "Resource Material(s)" shall include training modules, manuals, presentations, case studies, evaluation tools, or any other instructional material developed or used in connection with the Training Programs.

2.6. "Confidential Information" shall mean all non-public, proprietary or sensitive information disclosed by one Party to the other, whether oral, written, or digital, including participant data, correspondence, reports, and instructional content.

3. ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

3.1. Scope of activities (Areas for collaboration):-

i) Capacity Building through training & long/short term courses

ii) Sensitization / awareness Generation: Spreading knowledge about the dangers of substance abuse, welfare of Elderly care and Transgender and beggary prevention.

iii) Training of Trainers (ToTs): Developing a network of trainers to amplify impact.

iv) Evaluation: Overseeing the effectiveness of programs.

v) Research (action research, surveys, fieldwork, joint projects)

vi) Development of Course Curriculum & other documentation

3.2. Obligations of NISD: NISD shall undertake the following responsibilities: (a) To conceptualize, design, and develop comprehensive training modules and curricula based on the themes and policy areas under its statutory mandate.(b) To identify target audiences, beneficiaries, and stakeholders for the Training Programs, and determine learning objectives.(c) To appoint and nominate subject matter experts, faculty, and resource persons to deliver content during the Training Programs.(d) To furnish relevant printed or digital Resource Materials to the Training Partner prior to the commencement of each program.(e) To oversee, monitor, and evaluate the implementation of the programs in accordance with its quality assurance mechanisms.(f) To issue certificates of participation to eligible candidates upon

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successful completion of the Training Programs. (g) To role as Hub and Training Partners as Spokes may be elaborated.

3.3. **Obligations of the Training Partner:** The Training Partner shall undertake the following responsibilities:(a) To designate a qualified and responsible Program Coordinator to liaise with NISD and oversee local implementation.(b) To organize and host the Training Programs at its premises or any other location mutually agreed upon in writing by both Parties.(c) To identify eligible participants and forward their details, including biodata and contact information, to NISD in advance of the program schedule.(d) To ensure the availability of necessary infrastructure and logistics such as classrooms, seating, internet access, audio-visual equipment, sanitation facilities, and refreshments.(e) To maintain and submit accurate documentation of attendance, participant feedback, training photographs, and reports to NISD post-completion of each Training Program.(f) To provide hospitality to resource persons in accordance with mutually agreed protocols, where applicable. (g) To use only NISD approved content and curriculum for the training. (h) To finalizing Training Calendars, venue, liaising with Local authorities and state Govt.'s, arranging for faculty/resource person as per eligibility criteria fixed by NISD, finalizing selection of participants as per eligibility criteria fixed by NISD, conduct of training/ capacity building, evaluation, certification, documentation, accounts, etc.

4. **MODALITIES:** Each Party shall designate a Program Coordinator within seven (7) days from the date of execution of this MoU. The Program Coordinators shall be responsible for: (a) Facilitating all communications, documentation, and approvals necessary for conducting the Training Programs;(b) Addressing logistical or operational challenges arising during the course of implementation;(c) Convening coordination meetings, either physically or virtually, to review progress and resolve pending issues.Any change in the designated Program Coordinator by either Party shall be communicated to the other Party in writing at the earliest.

5. FINANCIAL ARRANGEMENTS

5.1. The honorarium payable to the engaged faculty/resource persons shall be disbursed in accordance with the extant financial norms/GoI norms, policies, and instructions issued by the Government of India and/or NISD.

5.2. No reimbursement, cost, or expenditure shall be incurred by either Party unless specifically provided for under this MoU or otherwise approved in writing by both Parties.

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5.3. The Training Partner shall not be entitled to make any claim for additional or unapproved expenses incurred during the conduct of the Training Programs.

5.4. Any deviation from the approved financial plan shall require the prior written consent of NISD, which shall not be unreasonably withheld.

6. INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY RIGHTS

6.1. All instructional content, training modules, manuals, presentations, and reports developed jointly under this MoU shall be deemed to be the joint intellectual property of the Parties, and neither Party shall use or disseminate the same without obtaining prior written consent from the other.

6.2. Where content is developed solely and independently by one Party and shared for the purposes of the MoU, the originating Party shall retain full ownership of such material, while granting the other Party a non-exclusive, royalty-free license to use the same for the limited purpose of implementing this MoU.

6.3. The Parties agree to respect each other's logos, trademarks, and proprietary materials and shall not use the same in any public communication or third-party engagement without express written approval.

7. CONFIDENTIALITY

7.1. Each Party agrees to maintain strict confidentiality in relation to all Confidential Information received from the other Party and shall use such information solely for the purpose of discharging obligations under this MoU.

7.2. The confidentiality obligation shall survive the termination or expiration of this MoU and remain in force for a period of five (5) years thereafter.

7.3. Confidential Information may only be disclosed to third parties with the express prior written consent of the disclosing Party, except where disclosure is required by law or court order.

8. ASSIGNMENT AND RESTRICTION ON WITHDRAWAL

8.1. Neither Party shall assign, delegate, or otherwise transfer its rights or obligations under this MoU, in whole or in part, to any third party without the prior written consent of the other Party.

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8.2. No Party shall unilaterally withdraw from an ongoing Training Program once it has commenced, except for exigent circumstances and with the written concurrence of the other Party.

9. This MoU records the formal understanding between the Parties to collaborate on educational and training programs and shall be legally binding only to the extent of the respective roles, responsibilities, and financial obligations expressly stated herein. Nothing contained in this MoU shall be deemed to constitute a partnership, joint venture, agency, employer-employee, or legal association between the Parties. Each Party shall remain solely responsible and liable for its own personnel, actions, and obligations undertaken pursuant to this MoU.

10. NON PERFORMANCE:

10.1. Neither Party shall be held liable for non-performance or delay in performance of any obligation under this MoU where such failure is caused by a Force Majeure event including but not limited to natural disasters, acts of God, pandemics, war, terrorism, civil unrest, government restrictions, or any other circumstances beyond the reasonable control of the affected Party.

10.2. The affected Party shall notify the other Party in writing within seven (7) days of the occurrence of the Force Majeure event, and both Parties shall, thereafter, mutually determine a revised implementation schedule or alternate modes of execution.

11. COMMUNICATION AND NOTICE

11.1. All communications, notices, requests, demands, or approvals required or permitted under this MoU shall be in writing and shall be deemed to have been duly given if delivered:

11.1.1. In person, by hand;

11.1.2. By registered post with acknowledgment due;

11.1.3. By email to the officially designated email addresses of the respective Program Coordinators.

11.2. Notices shall be deemed received: Upon delivery, if delivered in person; Upon expiry of seventy-two (72) hours from the time of posting, if sent by registered post;

11.2.1. Upon confirmation of transmission, if sent by email.

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12. DISPUTE RESOLUTION

12.1. In the event of any dispute, controversy, or claim arising out of or in connection with this MoU, the Parties shall endeavor to resolve the same amicably through mutual consultation and dialogue between the respective Program Coordinators.

12.2. If such resolution is not achieved within fifteen (15) days of the dispute arising, the matter shall be referred to the Director, NISD and the Vice-Chancellor/Head/Director of the Training Partner for final and binding resolution.

12.3. This clause shall survive the termination of this MoU.

13. AMENDMENT AND MODIFICATION: This MoU may only be amended, supplemented, or modified by an instrument in writing duly executed and signed by the authorized representatives of both Parties. No oral modifications or waiver of any provision shall be deemed valid or enforceable.

14. TERM AND TERMINATION

14.1. This MoU shall be valid for a period of **five (5) years** from the date of execution, unless terminated earlier in accordance with this clause.

14.2. Either Party may terminate this MoU for any reason by providing at least thirty (30) calendar days' prior written notice to the other Party.

14.3. Termination shall not affect any obligations or liabilities accrued p rior to the date of termination.

14.4. This MoU may be renewed or extended upon mutual consent of the Parties, expressed in writing prior to its expiry.

15. EXECUTION AND COUNTERPARTS: This MoU shall be executed in two (2) original counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original and both of which together shall constitute one and the same instrument. Each Party shall retain one duly signed original for its official records.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties hereto have executed this MoU as of the day and year first above written:

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Designation:

For National Institute of Social Defence (NISD)

Signature:

Name: Gaurav Singh Rajawat
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