

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MOU)

This Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) is entered on fifteenth day of July, 2017 between

Ministry of Water Resources, River Development and Ganga Rejuvenation (MWR, RD&GR) which is responsible for laying down policy guidelines and programmes for the development and regulation of country's water resources, currently located at Shram Shakti Bhawan, Rafi Marg, New Delhi, represented by the Joint Secretary,

And

Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship (MSDE) which is the nodal Ministry for providing the appropriate skill development framework for supply of skilled manpower through vocational and technical training, skill up-gradation, building of new skills, mapping of existing skills and their certification. MSDE also acts as the facilitator for skill development program and infrastructure across the country.

Ministry of Skill Development & Entrepreneurship (MSDE), currently located at Shivaji Stadium Annex, New Delhi (hereinafter referred as 'MSDE'), represented by the Joint Secretary,

MWR, RD&GR and **MSDE** will be hereafter collectively referred to as the "Parties".

2. Purpose and Background:

2.1 Cleaning of river Ganga is a multi-sector and multi-disciplinary programme which has evolved from individual project specific approach to a holistic approach with rejuvenation of the river as an ultimate objective. Namami Gange programme, a flagship scheme with 100% central support has been launched. **MWR, RD&GR** is the nodal Ministry to implement this programme. Being a multi-disciplinary programme, the success of the programme largely depends upon the participation of other ministries, state governments and local communities.

2.2 Developing the skills and productive capacity of rural youth of poor families is a priority area for the Government. To augment and structure skill development and Entrepreneurship in the country, MSDE was formed in November, 2014. Since its formation, MSDE has taken proactive measures to formalise and regulate vocational education in the country. The Ministry launched National Policy for Skill Development and Entrepreneurship 2015 in July 2015. The Policy articulates a framework for skilling at scale and speed while ensuring high quality outcomes. It also launched National Skill Development Mission which intends to converge, coordinate, implement and monitor skilling activities on a pan-India basis. MSDE is also responsible for propagation of National Skill Qualification Framework (NSQF) which aims to standardise vocational education across geographies, schemes and sectors so that MSDE is able to ensure consistent effort in enabling one common framework for more than

1800 job roles which have been mapped to NSQF. The Ministry is also the nodal Ministry for implementing Skill India Mission.

2.3 As both Parties hereby recognize the importance of successful implementation of Mission Namami Gange by absorbing skilled workforce under Skill India Mission, this MoU intends to achieve the following objectives:

- Developing skilled manpower for laying sewerage pipeline, plumbing works, construction of toilets, civil masonry works, waste collection and its disposal activities
- Developing skills for preparing products from pious waste materials like flowers, leaves, coconuts, hair and associate plastic bags and plastic bottles etc. and their proper packaging and promotion of such products
- Developing skills for operation and maintenance of pumps and STPs

3. Role and Responsibilities of participating Ministries:

3.1 Ministry of Water Resource, River Development and Ganga Rejuvenation (MWR,RD&GR)

- To take initiative through a coordinated approach along with other participating ministries in implementing “Namami Gange programme” for rejuvenation of the river Ganga and its tributaries.
- Shall develop the market for reuse/recycle of treated wastewater to be released from STP/ETPs for various non-potable purposes.
- Shall act as a nodal agency for funding the implementation of various projects/activities planned under Namami Ganga Programme through participating Ministries.
- Shall ensure necessary coordination, and support from the state governments and state level implementing agencies for various activities to be undertaken by Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship as part of Namami Gange programme;
- Shall work with MSDE to publicise the initiative through advocacy platforms developed by MSDE
- Resource mobilization for creation of Pradhan Mantri Namami Gange Kaushal Kendras in 60 districts covered under Namami Gange Mission

3.2 Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship (MSDE)

- To take initiative and developing programme for capacity building and traditional activities such as packaging and promotion of industrial products;
- Take initiative in developing skills for preparing products from waste material generated along that ghats of Ganga like flowers, leaves, coconut, hair and associated plastic bags and plastic bottles etc.
- Take initiative in developing skills among potential work-force in the region on sewage pipe line laying works, plumbing works, construction of toilets, civil masonry works, waste collection and its disposal activities (in scientific manner) and training on other health and safety aspects during construction activities;

- Take initiative in conducting a survey in the region for identifying the possible skill development activities in addition to above in conjunction with National Mission for Clean Ganga

Modality:

The project activities for the achievement of the roles of MSDE shall be detailed out in mutually agreed terms and conditions from time to time.

Appointment of Nodal Officers:

Both the ministries shall designate a senior officer to act as Nodal Officer to represent the Ministry and steer the fulfillment of the objectives.

Costs:

Individual activities planned as part of, the programs, under each Ministry shall be decided mutually between the parties.

Project steering and monitoring:

The achievement /progress of the implementation of this MOU shall be monitored by a steering committee consisting of the nodal officers from each Ministry. The committee will meet on periodic basis, once in three months or whenever necessary to review the performance of this MOU and the agreed list of activities.

Dispute resolution:

The issues arising during the implementation of this MOU between the Ministries shall be settled during the steering committee meeting or by individual mutual consultations. Any/All un resolved issue(s) shall be referred to the High Level Task Force(HLTF) chaired by the Cabinet Secretary created as part of Namami Gange program vide order no: 771/4/2/2014 – Cab. III dated 06/02/2015 for program monitoring, ensuring synergy and avoid duplication of efforts or any other official/agency identified by the HLTF for that matter.

Compliance to CVC Guidelines

The actions to be taken by al the participating ministries will be in compliance to provisions of Guidelines issued by CVC from time to time.

Tenure of MoU

The MoU shall come into effect on the day of its signing and remain in effect for a period of 3 (three) years; thereafter it can be extended as mutually agreed between the parties.

Modification/Amendment to the agreement.

Amendments/ additions /modifications to this MOU shall be in writing and with the consent of all Ministries party to this agreement. All amendments/ modifications/additions agreed upon by the Ministries shall become part of this MOU from the date of signing by all the parties' signatory to this agreement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the participating ministries have executed this MEMORANDUM of AGREEMENT at the date, month and year first above written.



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On Behalf of MSDE



(Shri Upendra Prasad Singh)
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National Mission for Clean Ganga
On Behalf of MWR, RD&GR