



MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

BETWEEN

National Institute of Open Schooling (NIOS)

AND

Directorate General of Training (DGT)

This "**Memorandum of Understanding**" hereinafter referred to as 'MOU' is signed on this ____ day of _____, 2016 between the following two parties :

National Institute of Open Schooling (NIOS) an autonomous Institution, under the Department of School Education and Literacy, Ministry of Human Resource Development, Government of India, having its office at A-24-25, Institutional Area, Sector-62, NOIDA, UP – 201309, (hereinafter referred to as the first party) through its Secretary, which expression shall, mean and include successors in office).

AND

Directorate General of Training (DGT), under Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship (MSDE) having its Head Office at Shram Shakti Bhawan, Rafi Marg, New Delhi – 110001, hereinafter referred to as the Second Party, through its JS/DG (which expression shall mean and include successors in office).

1. AIMS AND OBJECTIVES

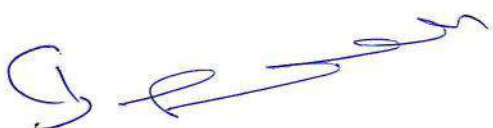
Whereas, NIOS and DGT agree to offer the skill courses through the distance learning mode and to attain the following objectives through this MoU:

- 1.1. break the barriers between school education and skill development;
- 1.2. open pathways for ITI pass outs *(from regular course of Craftsmen Training Scheme (CTS) under NCVT)* for horizontal and vertical mobility;
- 1.3. enhance employability of *NCVT certified*, ITI pass outs;
- 1.4. enable *NCVT certified*, ITI pass outs to move to appropriate academic courses/programs (Senior Secondary/Degree Courses);
- 1.5. accept *subjects taught under CTS of NCVT at ITI* for academic equivalence under credit transfer; and
- 1.6. enable *NCVT certified*, ITI learners to earn Secondary/Senior secondary qualification.

2. RESPONSIBILITIES OF NIOS

The responsibilities of NIOS under this MOU will be as under:

- 2.1 NIOS will accept credit transfer of three core subjects successfully completed by a trainee in any of the regular course under Craftsmen Training Scheme of NCVT pursued in an ITI and will offer two courses in the following groups to complete the requirement for Secondary/Senior Secondary certification:



(a) One Language course of NIOS,

(b) Any one of the academic subjects offered by NIOS

2.2 The learners will have to complete minimum five subjects for certification. The subject combination will be in following manner:

Sl. No	Group/ Level	Subject combination	Study hours
1	(A) ITI Trades/ courses	Three Papers (subjects) from a particular NSQF compliant trade of ITI. Marks of all three to be transferred from ITI under Transfer of Credit (TOC).	Minimum 240 hours per course (Total 720 Hours).
2.	(B) Language	Any one language from the group of languages offered by NIOS at Secondary & Senior Secondary level respectively	240 hours
3	(C) Academic subject	Any one academic subject offered by NIOS including course on employability skill and entrepreneurship at Secondary and Senior Secondary level respectively.	240 hours

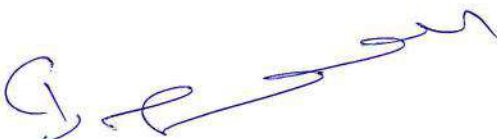
1. For certification, five Subjects are compulsory (one from Group B, one from Group C and credits of three subjects/papers of ITI under CTS of NCVT (to be transferred to NIOS))
2. Learners may take two additional subjects from Group B or C.
3. There are four Streams of Admission in NIOS and the students can enroll under any of the four Streams as per norms.

- 2.3 Accredit ITIs *affiliated by NCVT* as its Study Centre's called Special Accredited Institutions for Academic and Skill Development (SAIASD) for training the learners admitted to the proposed program, as per NIOS norms;
- 2.4 Admit the willing learners studying in regular course of CTS under NCVT in ITI's for this program. The learners joining two year courses in ITI *under CTS of NCVT* after class VIII will be *eligible to enroll* simultaneously with NIOS for Secondary Course with one language and one academic subject being offered by NIOS. Similarly, learners joining two years course of ITI's *under CTS of NCVT*, after class tenth *will be eligible to enroll* simultaneously in NIOS for Senior Secondary level with one language and one academic subject being offered by NIOS. The NIOS will accept Transfer of Credit for three subjects from ITI Course *under CTS of NCVT*, under its Transfer of Credit (TOC) Scheme;
- 2.5 *The learners who have already completed two years NSQF compliant course as regular trainee from any ITI under CTS of NCVT may also enroll with NIOS for Secondary or Senior Secondary Certification as the case may be; and*
- 2.6 Issue certificates to successful learners showing the marks of these two NIOS subjects and the three ITI subjects (*studied as regular trainee in any ITI under CTS of NCVT*) accepted under credit transfer.

3 RESPONSIBILITIES OF DIRECTORATE GENERAL OF TRAINING (DGT)

The responsibilities of DGT under this MOU will be to:

- 3.1. Notify the scheme through an Office Order;



- 3.2. Motivate the learners of ITIs to simultaneously enroll with NIOS for Secondary/Senior Secondary level certification;
- 3.3. Allow *NCVT affiliated* ITIs to get accredited as SAIASDs with NIOS to enable their students to enroll for the respective programs. ITIs can apply to NIOS for accreditation through NCVT;
- 3.4. Accreditation fee for SAIASD will be charged from the *NCVT affiliated* ITIs as per NIOS norms; and
- 3.5. SAIASDs will collect Admission fee, fee for the Transfer of Credit (TOC), examination fee and any other fee as per NIOS norms, along with application forms. These fees are subject to revision as and when NIOS revises the same.

4 DURATION, TERMINATION AND REVIEW OF THE MOU

- 4.1 Arrangements under the MOU will be operative for an initial period of **five years (5 years)** commencing from the date of signing the MOU. Further continuance would be subject to mutual consent of DGT and NIOS. However, DGT and NIOS shall have the right to terminate the MOU at any time, with three months prior notice. However, the students already enrolled will be allowed to continue till they finish the course.
- 4.2 That the obligations of the parties have been outlined in this MOU. However, if during the operation of the MOU, circumstances arise that call for any alteration/modification thereto, such alterations/modifications will be incorporated after mutual consent of both the parties.

5 JOINT COORDINATION

The DGT and NIOS shall constitute a Joint Co-ordination Committee having three members from each side to operationalize and implement this MOU as well as monitor its progress from time to time. The Director (Student Support

Services), NIOS will co-chair the JCC, along with Director (Training), DGT. This committee will meet at least twice a year.

6 SETTLEMENT OF DISPUTE

That in case of any dispute between first party and the second party arising out of or in relation to this MOU, the dispute shall be referred to the MHRD and its decision shall be final and binding on both the parties.

7 INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

NIOS is the owner of all the copyright and intellectual properties with regard to learning material(s) developed by NIOS. Similarly, DGT or a designated authority will have copy right over the learning materials developed by them.

8 AMENDMENT

No Amendment or change hereof, or addition hereto, shall be effective or binding on either of the parties hereto unless set in writing and executed by the respective, duly authorized representatives of each of the parties hereto.

9 FORCE MAJEURE

NIOS and DGT shall not be responsible for any failure to perform due to unforeseen circumstances or to causes beyond their reasonable control, including but not limited to act of nature, war, riot, embargoes, acts of civil or military authorities, fire, floods, accidents, terrorist activities, strikes or shortages of transportation, facilities, fuel, energy, labor or materials. In the event of any such aspect being beyond the control of participating agencies. Appropriate strategies would be worked out to compensate the project activities/schedules accordingly.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, We the NIOS and DGT have hereunto set and subscribed our hands on **14th July, 2016** accepting the terms and conditions in the above MOU at New Delhi .

For on behalf of NIOS



(C. DHARUMAN)

Secretary, NIOS

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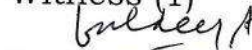
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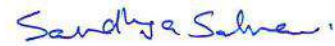
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[Dr. Kuldeep Aggarwal]
Director (Academi), NIOS

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Dr Manjit Srivastava
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For on behalf of DGT,MSDE



(SANDHYA SALWAN)

Director of Training

Directorate General of Training

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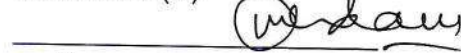
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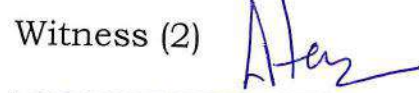
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Joint Director of Training
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Anita Srivastava
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