

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

This Memorandum of Understanding is executed on this 26 day of February 2021 ("Effective Date") and is effective here from the date of execution of the MoU.

BETWEEN

Whereas National Bamboo Mission anchored in Department of Agriculture Cooperation & Farmers Welfare (DAC&FW), Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare with its head office at Krishi Bhawan, Dr. Rajendra Prasad Road, New Delhi (hereinafter referred to as "**NBM**") as the FIRST PART.

AND

Whereas **Handicraft and Carpet Sector Skill Council**, a society incorporated under the laws of India and having its registered office at OCF, 3rd Floor, Plot No. 2, Sector B, Vasant Kunj, New Delhi-110070, India, engaged in creating National Occupational Standards (NOS), introduce certifications, assessments and Plan & Execute industry benchmarked programs for skill development in handicraft and carpet sector (hereinafter referred to as "**HCSSC**") which expression shall unless repugnant to the subject or context mean and include its successors and assigns as SECOND PART.

NBM and **HCSSC** hereinafter jointly referred to as "**Parties**" or individually as "**Party**"

This is an overarching MoU between **NBM** and **HCSSC**. The objective of this MoU is to ensure the delivery of National Skill Qualification Framework (**NSQF**) complied training programs, which encompasses complete cycle right from curriculum & content development to assessment of trainers and trainees. The aim is to develop a skill ecosystem for the Bamboo that shall focus on preparing Qualification Pack (QP)/ National Occupational Standards (NOS) based training programs and thereby train human resources to meet the requirement of the sector.

NBM and **HCSSC** are desirous of formally expanding their understanding/ cooperation:-

1. It is agreed between the parties as under:

- 1.1 To work in collaboration on the identification and development of potential crafts (Qualification Packs) of which the primary source of raw material is Bamboo
- 1.2 Industry Endorsement of the Qualification Packs developed by **HCSSC** in collaboration with **NBM**.
- 1.3 Work in collaboration on conducting Skill Gap Study in a time bound manner to identify the needs of the Industry and its stakeholders, both in backward and forward linkage and take appropriate actions to fill these gaps



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- 1.4 Skilling of youth in the prominent clusters of Bamboo across the country as per the procedural guidelines laid down by Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship (**MSDE**) and National Skill Development Corporation (**NSDC**)
- 1.5 Skill upgradation programme for the existing Artisans in the Bamboo Sector. Imparting employability skills to the trainees as per industry requirement including product specifications and customer demand and satisfaction and entrepreneurship skills as well.
- 1.6 Introduction of RPL (Recognition of Prior Learning) programs for the Bamboo sector to strengthen the clusters and the community of Artisans through certification.
- 1.7 **NBM and HCSSC** shall mutually identify the prospective Training Providers based on their expertise and experience in the Handicrafts sector.
- 1.8 **NBM** may provide grants in aid to **HCSSC** based on need, budget availability and fulfillment of conditions by **HCSSC** for the release.
- 1.9 **NBM** shall appropriately support **HCSSC** in carrying out the monitoring and evaluation activities.
- 1.10 **NBM** shall support **HCSSC** in identifying Trainers and Master Trainers for empanelling with **HCSSC** for conducting quality trainings.
- 1.11 This MoU shall not restrict **NBM** in taking up skilling in the said sector by associating any other institution if so decided by **NBM**.

2. Instruction and approval

2.1 The project shall be implemented by **HCSSC** (implementing agency for skill development training programs) in accordance with the project implementation plan, scope of work, Time frame and payment schedule as set out in sanction letter to be issued from time to time from **NBM**.

3. General provisions

3.1 Nothing contained in MoU shall be construed or have effect as constituting relationship of employer and employee or principal and agent between **NBM** and **HCSSC**. "Financial support to **HCSSC** may be as per para 1.8 above. Any deficit in the financial requirement shall be met by **MSDE/NSDC/HCSSC**".

3.2 All data related with training etc., uploaded on NSDC portal, shall be provided electronically to **NBM** immediately in the manner as required by **NBM** and without payment.



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4. Amendment

In case during the operation of the MoU, circumstances may arise which call for alteration or modification or amendments in any part of the MoU, the parties on mutual agreement in writing shall incorporate such amendments by way of amendments to this MoU which shall be binding and be followed by the parties. The decision of Executive Committee (EC) of NBM/ Chairperson of EC will be final and binding for both the parties in any circumstances.

5. Terms of payment and other obligation

5.1 **NBM** shall supplement the requirement of the funds to **HCSSC** to meet approved or agreed expenses of the project and commitments related to the projects as per Sanction letter.

5.2 **HCSSC** will submit the bank account number/details of scheduled commercial bank for release of funds through RTGS or as per the rules formulated by Government of India time to time.

6. Utilization certificate

6.1 **HCSSC** shall submit utilization certificate in the Proforma stipulated by Government of India apart from the regular outcome-output reporting.

7. Jurisdiction

7.1 Both parties agree that any legal action or proceeding arising out of, or in connection with this MoU shall be subject to the courts in New Delhi only; and, irrevocably submit to the exclusive jurisdiction of New Delhi Courts only.

NBM and **HCSSC** to mutually agree to the terms & conditions.

For National Bamboo Mission

For the Handicrafts and Carpet Sector
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