

**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING  
BETWEEN**

**UTTAR PRADESH STATE DISASTER MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY (UP SDMA)  
AND  
UNIVERSITY OF LUCKNOW (LU), LUCKNOW, UTTAR PRADESH**

**PARTIES TO THE AGREEMENT**

This **Agreement** made and entered on **28<sup>th</sup> day of May 2020** is between the Uttar Pradesh State Disaster Management Authority (Henceforth called UPSDMA), with its address at B-2 Ground floor Picup Bhawan, Vibhuti Khand Gomti Nagar, Lucknow 226010 and University of Lucknow (State University of Uttar Pradesh) with its address at University of Lucknow, University Road, Lucknow 226007.

**A. Purpose:**

Actualisation of the Prime Minister's Ten Point Agenda (TPA) on Disaster Risk Management (DRM) including Covid-19 management requires development and integration of Disaster Management issues into the curriculum and activities of Universities. There is also a need for sensitizing, updating and guiding the educators, researchers, students and all those engaged in inclusive development, knowledge and capacity building on the issues of sustainability and help to develop their disaster resilience. Network of the Universities can play a key role in factoring in disaster management in implementation of the plans for achieving Sustainable Development Goals SDGs in accordance with Ten Point Agenda of the Prime Minister on Disaster Risk Management for overseeing, monitoring, and analysing the indicators of Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction (SFDRR) in accordance with National Disaster Management Plan 2019 and to suggest mid-course correction if required. Also sustainable development needs to be disaster resilient and be adaptive to climate change impacts. UP State Disaster Management Authority is an apex body for managing disasters in the state (DM Act 2005) therefore keeping in mind the sixth point, i.e. "Develop a network of universities to work on disaster issues.", of following Prime Minister's Ten Point Agenda on DRR, UP SDMA proposes to work with Lucknow University strategically with a central role towards achieving the desired result under the sixth point of **PM's Ten Point Agenda (TPA)**.

**PM's 10 point Agenda:**

PM's Ten Point Agenda envisages following salient features including Pandemics like Covid-19 etc. to be taken up by all Departments of the State and District Level as applicable:

1. All development sectors must imbibe the principles of disaster risk management.
2. Work towards risk coverage for all-starting from poor households to SMEs to multi-national corporations to nation-states.
3. Encourage greater involvement and leadership of women in disaster risk management.
4. Invest in risk mapping globally. For mapping risks related to hazards like earthquakes, we have accepted standards and parameters.
5. Leverage technology to enhance the efficiency of our disaster risk management efforts.
- 6. Develop a network of universities to work on disaster issues.**
7. Utilise the opportunities provided by social media and mobile technologies.
8. Build on local capacity and initiative.
9. Opportunity to learn from a disaster must not be wasted. After every disaster, there are papers on lessons that are rarely applied.
10. Bring about greater cohesion in the international response to disasters.

#### **B. Roles and Responsibilities:**

- **Role and Responsibilities of UPSDMA**

UP SDMA shall take decisions as per the need of disaster risk situations in the state and communicate to University of Lucknow for mutually agreed action. UPSDMA will facilitate all work to be undertaken by University of Lucknow including documentation, studies etc. UPSDMA will also facilitate the curriculum and activities of the networking Universities/ Institutions related with Disaster Risk Management including Covid-19 and provide the opportunity of Internship to the associated organisations.

- **Roles and Responsibilities of University of Lucknow**

University of Lucknow agrees to conduct all activities as a nodal University for networking with Universities and other educational institutions to make them understand and practice on Prime Minister's Ten Point Agenda on Disaster Risk Management, bringing relevant documents of mutual interest through analysis of Primary and Secondary Data, conducting studies and build the capacity of students, faculties and staff.

Detailed Agenda, detailing activities, will be agreed upon by both the parties. This shall be a treated to be part of this MoU.

#### **C. Funding:**

UP SDMA shall support all activities under the purview of MOU between UPSDMA and University of Lucknow, which is a recurring activity in nature, and all financial arrangements shall be made as per requirement time to time from available sources by UPSDMA with no financial liability on University of Lucknow. All funding, wherever necessary, shall be transferred directly to the University of Lucknow.

#### **D. Coordination:**

- University of Lucknow designates Prof Sheela Misra, Professor Dept. of Statistics as nodal officer on behalf of University of Lucknow to coordinate the activities under the purview of this MOU.
- UPSDMA designates Dr Bhanu, Secretary PGVS and representative of Inter Agency Group as nodal officer on behalf of UPSDMA to coordinate the activities under the purview of this MOU.



#### **E. Expected Outcomes:**

The expected outcome of this MOU shall be in networking with other Universities and educational institutions to make them understand and practice on Prime Minister's Ten Point Agenda on Disaster Risk Management Bringing forth mutually agreed relevant documents through analysis of Primary and Secondary Data, conducting relevant studies and building the capacity of students, faculties and staff in relation to disaster resilience. Activities and studies to handle most emergent situation arrived due to disaster of Covid-19 are also to be included on priority basis to impact society positively. Other Things may be added as per the requirement of the UPSDMA with the consent of the University of Lucknow.

#### **F. Commencement And Duration Of MOU**

The agreement will come into effect immediately after signing of this agreement and continue for a period of five years. The tenure of the MOU may be extended further through mutual consent.

#### **G. Amendment And Termination:**

The terms of this MOU may be amended from time to time with mutual consent.

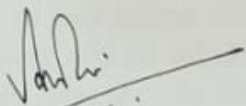
The MOU can be terminated by any of the two institutions. This shall be affected by giving the other institution at least ninety (90) days advance written notice of its intention to terminate. Termination shall be without any penalty.

The amendment termination and expiration of this MOU will not affect the terms of activities on going at the time of notification of amendment or termination and expiration unless otherwise agreed by the two parties.

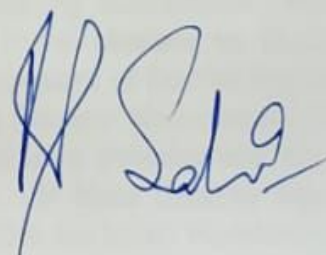
#### **H. Indemnity:**

University of Lucknow shall remain indemnified in case of any injury caused during a training program due to any faulty protocol etc.

Both UP SDMA and University of Lucknow agree to the above principle, subject to the completion of such other formalities required by the university bodies including the approval of the component Authorities.



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