

## **MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING**

Between

**Delhi State AIDS Control Society**

And

**GGSIIP University**

Delhi State AIDS control society is a nodal agency working under the aegis of National AIDS Control Organization (NACO) for the prevention Control and Care & Support programmes in the state of Delhi.

Mainstreaming of HIV & AIDS and ensuring safe blood are major activities to control the spread of HIV & AIDS in the country. Of the over 1 billion youth (ages 15-24) worldwide, some 10 million youth are living with HIV: .Every day, an estimated 6,000 youth are infected with the virus. Out of 2.47 million estimated population infected by HIV in India, 88.7% are in the age group of 15-49 years. In view of this, Ministry of Health & Family Welfare, Govt. of India has proposed to establish a network with Universities and educational institutions to generate awareness regarding HIV & AIDS and to promote Voluntary Blood Donation to ensure safe blood and implement preventive programmes on HIV & AIDS.

Under the NACP IV youth have been identified as a vulnerable group requiring special attention. Recognizing the heterogeneity of the youth NACP IV aims to promote Red Ribbon Clubs to cover youth at risk to HIV both in campuses as well as in community.

**The Red Ribbon Club** is a voluntary on-campus intervention program for students in educational institutions. It is initiated and supported by the State AIDS Control Society and implemented through multi-sectoral collaboration, particularly, using the services of cadre officers of the State's National Service Scheme (NSS).

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### **Role of the Red Ribbon Club-**

The RRC in the educational institutions/other institutions will seek to initiate efforts to:

- Educate youth with **correct, concise and adequate information** and heighten their level of awareness about HIV/AIDS/STI/sexuality and other related issues (thus eliminate myths and misconceptions).
- Enable youth, especially the female students, to identify and understand situations of exploitation and abuse.
- Sensitize the youth regarding care and support needs of PLWHA and instill in them the spirit of helping and supporting the people living with HIV & AIDS (PLWHA) and reduce the stigma and discrimination against them.
- Increase youths' access to health care services related to STI / HIV/AIDS/drug use.
- Create linkages between youth and governmental, non-governmental agencies and community based organizations to access safer and responsible healthy behaviour.
- Organize and facilitate voluntary blood donation camps and mobilize the youth for voluntary blood donation.
- Create among the youth a cadre of peer educators for seeking and encouraging positive health behavior as well as ensuring sustainability of the club.

### **Key Area of RRC-**

- **Vibrancy of Youth:** Tap the vibrancy of Youth and channelizing the energy of the youth in a positive direction.
- **Sex & Sexuality, HIV/AIDS & STI:** Provide access to correct information on sexuality, HIV/AIDS, STI and other youth related issues in an enabling environment to promote healthy life styles.
- **Peer Education:** Develop a cadre of Peer Educators among youth.
- **Voluntary Blood Donation:** Promote voluntary non-remunerated blood donation.

### **Responsibilities accepted by Delhi State AIDS Control Society.**

- Ensuring funds are allocated and disseminated for the programme.
- Providing technical inputs in trainings and capacity building of the various cadres involved in RRC.

- Developing and providing youth friendly IEC/BCC material to RCs/ FOs for RRC.
- Ensuring publicity of RRC through Mass Media by SACS newsletter, website.

### **About GGSIP University**

Guru Gobind Singh Indraprastha University (GGSIPU) is first University established in 1998 by Govt. of NCT of Delhi under the provisions of Guru Gobind Singh Indraprastha University Act, 1998 read with its Amendment in 1999 The University is recognized by University Grants Commission (UGC), India under section 12B of UGC Act.

It is a teaching and affiliating University with the explicit objective of facilitating and promoting “studies, research and extension work in emerging areas of higher education with focus on professional education, for example engineering, technology, management studies, medicine, pharmacy, nursing, education, law, etc. and also to achieve excellence in these and connected fields and other matters connected therewith or incidental thereto.” In order to serve the broad purposes for which the University was established, it set out its statements of Vision, Mission and Quality Policy which read as thus :

### **Vision**

“The University will stimulate both the hearts and minds of scholars, empower them to contribute to the welfare of society at large; train them to adopt themselves to the changing needs of the economy; advocate them for cultural leadership to ensure peace, harmony and prosperity for all.”

### **Mission**

“Guru Gobind Singh Indraprastha University shall strive hard to provide a market oriented professional education to the student community of India in general and of Delhi in particular, with a view to serving the cause of higher education as well as to meet the needs of the Indian industries by promoting establishment of colleges and Schools of Studies as Centres of Excellence in emerging areas of education with focus on professional education in disciplines of engineering, technology, medicine, education, pharmacy, nursing, law, etc.”

## **Quality Policy**

“Guru Gobind Singh Indraprastha University is committed to providing professional education with thrust on creativity, innovation, continuous change and motivating environment for knowledge creation and dissemination through its effective quality management system.”

And, indeed it must be a matter of great satisfaction to all of its stakeholders in general, and the faculty and students, in particular that in a short span of 13 years, the University has not only been able to earn the best of national accreditations, educational awards and acquire stringent certifications – UGC's recognition under Section 2 (f) and 12 (b); Graded as 'A' by the National Assessment and Accreditation Council, Bangalore; ISO 9001 : 2000 first in 2008 and upgraded later to ISO 9001 : 2008 in 2009; and Recertified again in February, 2011 upto February, 2014; attaining AIU's Status of Regular Membership in November, 2008; Categorization of the University by Dun & Bradstreet as 'Decide with Confidence' in its publication titled, 'Universities of India 2008'; selected among 250 Top Educational Institutes in India for the Grand Book on Education, titled, 'Star Brands Education 2010'; and, also for an International Award - 'Platinum Technology Award for Quality and Best Trade Name' by OMAC – Association Otherways Management & Consulting, Paris, France on December 20, 2010 in Geneva, Switzerland but has also succeeded in making its presence felt both at national and international levels.

On the affiliation front, 02 Schools of Studies, namely, School of Engineering and Technology and School of Medicine and Para Medical Health Sciences are being maintained for providing leadership role to the programmes conducted under these Schools at affiliated institutions. In all, the University has 100 affiliated institutes; of these, 76 are self financed and 24 are owned and managed by the Govt. of NCT of Delhi/Govt. of India. In these affiliated institutions, 80 academic programmes are being conducted with an intake of 22,000+ students with a total strength of 62,000+.

## **University Main Campus**

Certain distinguishing features of Dwarka Campus are State of the Art Buildings:

- Rain Water Harvesting;
- Sewage Treatment Plant (Recycling for flushing, air-conditioning & horticulture);
- Usage of solar energy;
- Disabled friendly - Vehicular free pedestrian walk ways;
- Adequate sports facilities;

- Shopping complex;
- Innovative landscaping;
- Attractive exteriors,
- Murals & Sculptures.

With the commencement of the academic session 2015-16, the University has put a check on its quantitative growth; the cases of additional intake in existing programme/s and grant of affiliation to new institutions are examined quite stringently. Even so, it is open to start new academic programmes in case it is likely to augment the supply of trained manpower for the so far neglected socio-economic sector(s)/segments of population.

### **Rules & Regulations**

University administration functions while dealing with various issues of administrative and academic significance, within the provisions of the University Act, rules and regulations (Statutes & Ordinances) framed there under. The University has notified 33 Statutes and 30 Ordinances which have not only been published in the Gazette of Delhi but have also been laid on the floor of the Legislative Assembly of Delhi. The University Act and all its Statutes as well as Ordinances have been placed on the University Website. This clearly speaks of the nature of transparency maintained by the University Administration in its functioning keeping the society at large informed not only about the academic programmes but also about all its latest rules, regulations etc.

***This document aims at establishing a common understanding about the inputs required by both the partners during the implementation of the project***

### **Responsibilities accepted by the University/Institute/College Authorities-**

While the Institution may be persuaded to support RRC activities financially and introduce RRC and its events into the permanent entities and event calendar of the institution, the major roles of the University/College/Institution will include:

- Active participation in the advisory committee at the respective level.
- Facilitating infrastructure and other necessary support for the implementation of programme/events of RRC.
- Designate the Faculty teacher cum NSS Coordinator as Programme Officer for RRC.
- Mainstreaming of HIV & AIDS programme by including it in the University curriculum & programme.

- Advocacy at the highest level to support the programme on self sustainable basis.
- Encouraging the contribution of RRC members by highlighting it in college newsletter or other publications.

### **About GGSIPU NSS Cell of the University**

GGSIPU NSS Cell was formed on 08th February, 2018. The National Service Scheme (NSS), a voluntary and value based student youth programme which was launched in 1969 by Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports in pursuance of one of the recommendations of the Education Commission. NSS aims at the personality and character development of students in schools and colleges. Usually NSS units are either classified as a regular NSS and Self Financing Units (SFUs). The SFUs are entitled to all the benefits of the scheme at par with Government-funded (Regular) NSS units, the only difference being that the expenditure on setting up such units is required to be borne by the education institutions concerned. For detailed information, please refer to the NSS website [www.nss.nic.in](http://www.nss.nic.in) & University website [www.ipu.ac.in](http://www.ipu.ac.in).

Till date, University and its Affiliated Colleges maintains about 70 regular NSS units comprising of seven thousand volunteers. These students involve mostly in social service activities serving the campuses and nearby villages and slums, several educational and awareness programs are conducted for the benefit of the society.

The cardinal principle of National Service Scheme (NSS) is that it is organised by the students themselves and both students and teachers through their combined participation in social service, get a sense of involvement in the tasks of national development. It allows the students to be sensitized to the societal problems and exposed them to the realities of life and brings about a change in their social perception and further allows them to find novel solutions to societal problems.

### **SOME OF THE MAJOR ACTIVITIES UNDER NSS INCLUDE:**

- 1. Participating in National Integration Camp (NIC)**
- 2. Participating in Adventure Programs**
- 3. Participating in NSS Republic Day Parade**
- 4. Participating in National Youth Festivals**
- 5. Receiving National Service Scheme funding and certification, Award etc.,**

**Responsibilities of University NSS Cell -**

While the GGSIPU supports Red Ribbon Club activities as mentioned above GGSIPU NSS Cell shall be a part of creation and implementation of RRC while promoting Red Ribbon Club activities in the Campus and its Affiliated Colleges by involving NSS/ NCC Volunteers and other students to take up the cause of promoting, disseminating information for eradicating HIV and AIDS:

**Signed by Director/HOD**

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