

Memorandum of Understanding

Between

National Institute for the Empowerment of Persons with Visual Disabilities (Divyangjan)
(NIEPVD)

and

Uttar Pradesh Rajarshi Tandon Open University, Prayagraj
(UPRTOU)

This Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) hereinafter referred to as "MOU", is signed on the 25th of January, 2022 by the following two parties:

National Institute for the Empowerment of Persons with Visual Disabilities (Divyangjan) (NIEPVD), an autonomous body under administrative control of the Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities (Divyangjan), Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment, Government of India having its office at 116, Rajpur Road, Dehradun-248001.

AND

Uttar Pradesh Rajarshi Tandon Open University, Prayagraj a State University established in 1999 for providing higher education through open and distance learning (ODL) mode having its office Shantipur Sector-F, Phaphamau, Prayagraj-211021, (U.P.).

AIMS AND OBJECTIVES

- a. This MoU is signed to facilitate accessible books and audio-visual programmer related resources for students with disabilities.
- b. NIEPVD and Uttar Pradesh Rajarshi Tandon Open University (UPRTOU), Prayagraj will work together to improve learning environment for students with disabilities in the State of Uttar Pradesh.

TERMS OF REFERENCE OF MOU

1. Whereas the NIEPVD intends to provide Library Services, comprising Braille Books, Large Print Books and Talking/Audio Books produced available for academic works at the NIEPVD to the persons with visual impairment. It will be incumbent on the UPRTOU, Prayagraj to enroll all the persons with visual impairment at their Study Centres as members of Braille and Talking Book Library set up UPRTOU, Prayagraj on the terms & conditions as applicable from time to time as per prevailing norms and rules of NIEPVD.
2. Whereas the UPRTOU, Prayagraj has agreed to start the Library services, for the above mentioned purposes and periods, it also agreed to provide sufficient space and other essential infrastructure, Human resource for maintaining the library for setting up the Braille and talking/audio Book Library Service in their premises.
3. The NIEPVD will provide Braille, large print & talking books produced by NIEPVD to the UPRTOU, Prayagraj. University shall arrange distribution of the same to the persons with visual impairment. Page 1 of 3

4. UPRTOU, Prayagraj may place additional order if any to NIEPVD for conversion of educational material in accessible format. However, such requests will be processed by NIEPVD on payment basis as per prevailing rates of NIEPVD.
5. NIEPVD, Dehradun may place additional order if any to UPRTOU for educational material. However, such requests will be processed by UPRTOU on payment basis as per prevailing rates of UPRTOU.
6. NIEPVD and UPRTOU, Prayagraj will strive to jointly organize programmes (awareness programs, seminars, workshops and training programs) every year with an aim to sensitive and empower PwDs.
7. UPRTOU and NIEPVD will be participating in faculty exchange programme according to curricula.
8. UPRTOU and NIEPVD will exchange their audio-visual materials/radio programmes with each other, and both will broadcast/telecast the same from their respective sources including CRS. UPRTOU & NIEPVD will share expertise in development of audio-visual materials/radio programmes and embedding accessible features
9. NIEPVD will cooperate UPRTOU to enhance Barrier Free Environment.

DURATION, (TERMINATION AND REVIEW OF MOU)

Arrangements under this MoU will be operative for a period of three years commencing from the date of signing this MoU between NIEPVD and the UPRTOU, Prayagraj. Further, continuance of this MoU would be subject to joint review by the NIEPVD and the UPRTOU to be undertaken prior to the expiry of this MoU. In case any of the terms and conditions of this MoU are violated, either party shall have the right to terminate this MoU and stop all transactions inter se the parties including but not limited to giving/receiving Braille books and audio books, other resources and surrender the sent assets if any.

DISPUTES, IF ANY

Wherever clarification is called for in respect of the clauses contained in this MoU, such matter(s) shall be referred to the Director, NIEPVD and the Registrar, UPRTOU, Prayagraj for mutual settlement.

Legal Territorial Jurisdiction in the case of any dispute shall be exclusively with the courts of Dehradun and/or Nainital (Uttarakhand) only.





Director
NIEPVD

Date: 07/03/2022
Place: Dehradun

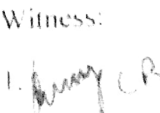



Registrar
U.P. Rajarshi Tandon Open University
Date: 02.02.2022
Place: Prayagraj

Witness:

1.  (Dr. Panjay Kumar)
Asst. H. Professor, NIEPVD
2.  (Anmol Kumar Sharma)
1/c Principal, MSUHI

Witness:

1.  (Prof. Omji Gupta) Director, CIBA
UPRTOU
2.  (Prof. Archita Gupta)
Director, CIBA, UPRTOU