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Dear Sir/Madam,

In its endeavour to bring administrative and academic reforms in the field of education through the use of information technology for delivery of efficient services to all stakeholders, the Government of India has established a digital depository of academic awards to be known as National Academic Depository (NAD) on the pattern of securities depository. This is one of the steps towards the Digital India vision of Hon'ble Prime Minister which would be incomplete without the active participation of the academic institutions.

National Academic Depository (NAD) would be an online store house of academic awards (degrees, diplomas, certificates, mark-sheets, etc.) lodged by the academic institutions/boards/eligibility assessment bodies in a digital format. It will be on 24x7 online mode for making available academic awards and shall help in validating their authenticity, their safe storage and easy retrieval. NAD shall comprise of two interoperable digital depositories namely NSDL Database Management Limited (NDML) and CDSL Ventures Limited (CVL). These digital depositories shall keep the academic awards in the digital format and ensure data integrity.

Consequent upon the approval of Cabinet, the Central Government in exercise of powers conferred under section 20(1) of UGC Act, 1956 has designated University Grants Commission (UGC) as an authorised body to enter into a tripartite agreement, initially for a period of three years for the purposes of establishment of NAD.

In turn, the academic institutions/boards/eligibility assessment bodies may select either of the two entities viz. NDML and CVL for entering into legally enforceable agreement between them and the selected depository for utilizing the services of NAD. Model Service Level Agreement which may be entered by the academic institution with the selected depository for on-boarding on NAD will be provided by the concerned depository.

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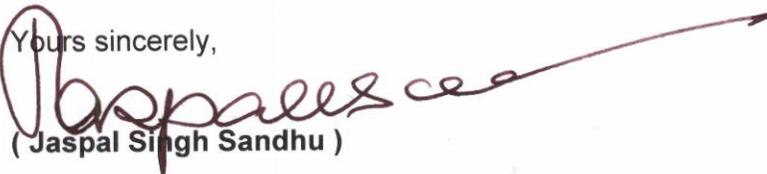
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Since the Union Cabinet has approved the establishment and operationalisation of NAD, you are requested to enter into a Service Level Agreement with either of the depositories for boarding on to NAD. To facilitate the implementation of NAD, you are advised to designate Nodal Officers and set up a NAD cell immediately under intimation to UGC. The details of the authorities of the two depositories (NDML and CVL) are as under:-

NSDL Database Management Limited (NDML)	CDSL Ventures Limited (CVL)
<p><b>Shri G.V. Nageswara Rao</b> Managing Director and CEO, National Securities Depository Limited, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor, 'A' Wing, Trade World, Kamala Mills Compound, Senapati Bapat Marg, Lower Parel, Mumbai – 400 013.</p> <p>Ph. 022-24915219, 24994510 Fax – 022-24975207 E-mail – <a href="mailto:nagesh@nsdl.co.in">nagesh@nsdl.co.in</a></p> <p><b>Shri Vijay Gupta</b> Vice-President, NSDL Database Management Limited, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor, 'A' Wing, Trade World, Kamala Mills Compound, Senapati Bapat Marg, Lower Parel, Mumbai – 400 013.</p> <p>Ph. 022-49142504, 09819377088 Fax – 022-49142503 E-mail – <a href="mailto:vijayg@nsdl.co.in">vijayg@nsdl.co.in</a></p>	<p><b>Shri P.S. Reddy</b> Managing Director &amp; CEO, Central Depository Services (India) Limited Phiroze Jeejeebhoy Towers, 16<sup>th</sup> Floor, Dalal Street, Mumbai – 400 001.</p> <p>Ph. 022-66100690 Fax – 022-22723637 E-mail – <a href="mailto:psreddy@cdslindia.com">psreddy@cdslindia.com</a></p> <p><b>Shri Ramkumar K.</b> Sr. Vice President – New Projects &amp; Chief Risk Officer, Central Depository Services (India) Limited Phiroze Jeejeebhoy Towers, 16<sup>th</sup> Floor, Dalal Street, Mumbai – 400 001.</p> <p>Ph. 022-22728633, 09819483469 Fax – 022-22723199 E-mail – <a href="mailto:ramk@cdslindia.com">ramk@cdslindia.com</a></p>

With regards,

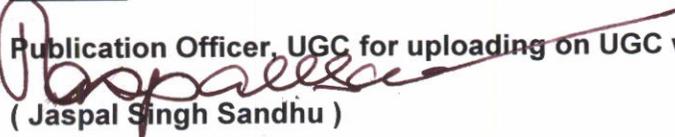
Yours sincerely,

  
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