Non-Financial Memorandum of Understanding between Zilla Parishad, Pune and 3D Program for Girls and Women, United Nations Foundation, Washington DC for 'Convergent Action for Girls and Women'

For implementation of 'Convergent Action for Girls and Women' in the jurisdiction of Zilla Parishad, Pune between the Zilla Parishad, Pune and the 3D Program for Girls and Women, United Nations Foundation, Washington DC (hereby known as the 'parties').

The Zilla Parishad, Pune, and the 3D Program for Girls and Women of the United Nations Foundation have agreed to sign this non-financial Memorandum of Understanding as a statement of intent by the parties to work in collaboration for delivery and management of 'Convergent Action for Girls and Women'.

This MOU is being signed between M. Direch Drk. In. CEO Zilha Parishad, Pune and Dr. Geeta Rao Gupta, Executive Director, 3D Program for Girls and Women, United Nations Foundation, Washington DC.

Timeframe and Termination

This Memorandum will be in existence in the time frame of December 2017 – March 2020, with the possibility of an extension based on mutual written agreement between the parties.

Background on the 3D Program for Girls and Women

The 3D Program for Girls and Women is hosted by the United Nations Foundation. The United Nations Foundation is registered as a 501(c)(3) charitable organization with the United States federal government. The 3D Program for Girls and Women was founded in March 2017 and in its first three years, is working in Pune District and Pune City, Maharashtra State, India.

The Goal of the 3D Program for Girls and Women is to advance gender equality and girls' and women's empowerment by facilitating convergent action across stakeholders and sectors to increase economic opportunities for girls and women and address their health, education and safety needs.

Objectives of Memorandum of Understanding

The objective of this non-financial Memorandum of Understanding is to provide a framework for collaboration between the 3D Program for Girls and Women and the Zilla Parishad, Pune to implement 'Convergent Action for Girls and Women'.

Specific areas of collaboration

1. Multi-sectoral District-level Convergence Planning Committee

Goal: To create and facilitate a convergence planning committee of different district government departments and relevant state departments, chaired by the CEO, Zilla Parishad, Pune and endorsed by the District Collector to:

• Shape district-level planning to better serve girls and women to generate a shared vision to better serve girls and women in the district, and shape district-level planning accordingly

- Improve key indicators of girls' and women's status, drawing on existing data and identify new context-specific indicators of girls' and women's empowerment
- Use data to help the committee make recommendations on the allocation of funds
- Jointly across ZP departments set targets for improved outcomes in health, education, safety and economic opportunity for girls and women

The multi-sectoral committee would serve as an integral part of the district planning processing, building on its strengths, while making the planning process more convergent. The committee would be established at the highest level with authority and capacity to monitor and guide a convergent planning and implementation process at all levels.

Roles and Responsibilities

The Zilla Parishad, Pune will:

- Identify and secure members of the committee from key departments, such as, but not limited to, health, education, rural development, women and child development.
- Convene regular meetings of the committee
- Ensure that committee proceedings inform district level planning and budget allocations
- Hold members accountable for outcomes

The 3D Program for Girls and Women will:

- Coordinate with the CEO, Zilla Parishad and the District Collector to organize a joint meeting of the Zilla Parishad, the District Collector's office and state government departments in December 2017 to establish the Zilla Parishad planning committee, with full collaboration across departments
- Support the CEO, Zilla Parishad to convene regular meetings of the planning committee, set the agenda, highlight action points and follow up as needed
- Provide data and analysis to identify key indicators of girls' and women's status and priorities
- Provide, identify, collate and analyze data to guide cross-sectoral planning
- Provide technical support for monitoring and evaluation

2. Other Activities

As mutually beneficial opportunities emerge between the Zilla Parishad, Pune and the 3D Program for Girls and Women.

Protection of Intellectual Property Rights

All intellectual property rights associated with the 'Convergent Action for Girls and Women' will be shared between the parties.

Reporting, Monitoring and Evaluation

Taking into consideration the resulting collaborative activities to be undertaken by both the parties in pursuit of this Memorandum, specific arrangements for monitoring and evaluating, reporting results and impact of such activities will be embedded in the terms of reference for each of the proposed activities in a manner that is agreeable to both parties.

Management of Dispute between parties

Any disputes between the parties arising out of or relating to activities under this Memorandum of Understanding shall be discussed in a project review meeting. No decision will be taken without hearing both the parties.

Change in terms

This non-financial Memorandum of Understanding may be modified or amended only by written agreement between the Zilla Parishad, Pune and the 3D Program for Girls and Women. Any party can withdraw from the agreement by providing reasonable reasons with a 60-day notice period.

Authorised Signature and Date

5/3/18 Date

Dr. Geeta Rao Gupta Executive Director 3D Program for Girls and Women

Mr. Dinesh Doke In. Chief Executive Officer Zilha Parishad, Pune

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Signature Date