

## **Memorandum of Understanding**

**Between**

**The Khesar Gyalpo University of Medical Sciences of Bhutan (KGUMSB)**

**and**

**National Neonatal Forum India (NNFI)**

**The Khesar Gyalpo University of Medical Sciences of Bhutan (KGUMSB) and National Neonatal Forum India (NNFI)** (hereinafter referred to singularly as the “Party” and collectively as “the Parties”);

KGUMSB and NNFI declare their mutual desire to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding (“MoU”) to develop academic cooperation, collaboration in organizing the standard CME (full time) and providing training opportunities for health professionals.

The Parties enter into the Memorandum of Understanding in a spirit of respect and mutual goodwill and accord each other all reasonable cooperation and assistance as may be expected between institutions committed to the highest standards of health care, education, and research.

Toward this end, they subscribe to the present agreement that consists of the following:

## **Purpose/Objectives**

The principal objectives of the MoU are to develop academic and educational cooperation through organizing the standard Continuing Medical Education (CME) and provide training opportunities for all health professionals.

## **Areas of Cooperation and Collaboration**

### **National Neonatal Forum India shall;**

- Provide potential support in organizing the standard CME.
- Provide possible collaboration with KGUMSB and the Ministry of Health for capacity building for Health Workers.

### **The KGUMSB shall:**

- Ensure local administrative and management support for the collaboration.
- Adhere to and facilitate the project activities as defined in the project's detailed plans.
- KGUMSB will facilitate the resource person as and when required.
- KGUMSB will facilitate gratis Bhutanese medical /professional licenses, as required by law

## **Logistic Arrangements, Financial, and Medical Matters**

- The host institution will provide the visiting teams with transportation between the airport and the housing facilities.
- The MoH will facilitate the processing of complementary visas for the team by the immigration rules and regulations of the Kingdom of Bhutan.
- All parties understand that any financial arrangements will be negotiated in advance, will be defined in writing, and will depend upon the availability of funds.

## **Monitoring, Evaluation, Auditing, and Regulations**

- Monitoring, evaluation, and auditing shall be conducted to maintain the medical quality in Bhutan. The visiting teams shall abide by the laws of the host country.

### **Intellectual property rights**

- Visiting teams shall not conduct research or publish academic works without prior permission from the host institution and they shall carry out any such activities in accordance with the laws and regulations of the host country.

### **Validity**

- This Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) is valid for five years from the date of signing by the representatives' parties. Thereafter, it may be reviewed and extended upon agreement by the Parties.

### **Termination**

- This MOU may be terminated by the Parties, at any time, by giving four months' written notice. The Parties shall mutually consult with each other to determine whether activities or projects under this MOU should continue or not. Termination will not affect the validity of any contracts or agreements made under this MOU.

### **Amendment**

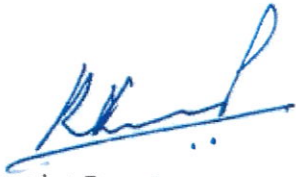
- The possibility and the terms of a renewal of the Memorandum of Understanding will be discussed by the representatives of the Parties no less than six months before the natural termination of the current Memorandum of Understanding

### **Dispute Settlement**

- Any dispute regarding the interpretation or application of this MOU will be resolved through mutual consultations between the Parties and based on the principles of understanding and respect.

### Commencement

- This MOU shall come into effect on the date of signature by all parties.
- The Parties agree that this MoU is not a formal legal agreement giving rise to any legal relationship, rights, duties or consequences, but it is only an expression of mutual interest in academic collaboration.



Signed at Bangalore..... (Place)

On..... 17/01/22..... (date)

Dr Ranjan Kumar Pejaver

.....

NNFI



Signed at KGUMSB, Thimphu (Place)

On..... 30/12/21..... (date)

Dr. Kinzang P. Tshering

President

KGUMSB