Himalayan Knowledge Network (HKN)

National Mission on Himalayan Studies (NMHS) funded Project (2019-2022)

LETTER OF AGREEMENT (LoA)

between



G.B. Pant National Institute of Himalayan Environment (GBP-NIHE)

(An Autonomous Institute of Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change, Govt. of India) Kosi-Katarmal, Almora – 263 643, Uttarakhand, INDIA

and



Uttarakhand Space Application Centre (USAC)
Department of Information & Science Technology, Govt. of Uttarakhand
Uttarakhand Antariksha Bhawan, Upper Aamwala Nalapani,
Dehradun, Uttarakhand, INDIA

Letter of Agreement (LOA)

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G.B. Pant National Institute of Himalayan Environment (GBP-NIHE)

Uttarakhand Space Application Centre Department of Information & Science Technology (Government of Uttarakhand, Dehradun)

To implement NMHS funded 'Himalayan Knowledge Network' project activities in the Uttarakhand (2019-2022)

The G.B. Pant National Institute of Himalayan Environment (GBP-NIHE), Almora-263 643, Uttarakhand has decided to sign a Letter of Agreement (LoA) with Uttarakhand Space Application Centre (USAC), Department of Information & Science Technology (Government of Uttarakhand) to implement NMHS funded 'Himalayan Knowledge Network- HKN project (2019-2022)' activities in Uttarakhand in collaboration with USAC, Uttarakhand. The project activities/components are as follows:

Major Components	APSCS&T Coordination/Action (Deliverable/Output/Outcome)
1. Establishment of Uttarakhand HKN State Chapter (01 no.)	 State chapters are intended to facilitate sharing data/information relating to science-policy-practice interface for the Himalayan Environmental & Development. State Chapter is meant for establishing Knowledge Network / Network of Networks among knowledge partners in the state. All HKN activities will be facilitated by the State Chapter at USAC, Dehradun. A nodal person from the USAC has to be nominated.
State level workshop for network development (01 no.)	Holding state-level workshop of various stakeholders of Uttarakhand state. Identified Priority Thematic areas for the sustainable development of the state. Prospective institution/ Resource Persons identification for preparation of thematic documents. Workshop Proceedings/ Reports.
Developing state-specific thematic reports (02 nos.)	 Preparation of Thematic Documents on priority sectors as identified in the state workshop for Uttarakhand (02 nos) and its publication by GBPNIHE in collaboration with USAC.
4. Support strategic meets/ seminar/ conferences/ etc. (01 no.)	 Identification of Members of the State Chapter (preferably State S&T Council) from Uttarakhand. Development of state specific strategy for utilization of data/information/ data sharing mechanism among the network/user agencies, stakeholders and local people.

(01 no.)	HKN activities, natural resource management etc.
. 4	 Orientation of youth on data/information collection that is utilizable by planners and policy makers.
	4. Preparation of directory of climate change leaders.

- 3. A total grants of Rs. 5,00,000/- (Rupees Five Lakh only) is approved for this assignment that will be released in two installment by GBPNIHE, Kosi-Katarmal, Almora for establishing HKN State Chapter at USAC, Dehradun and conducting the project activities (as detailed above). The first installment of 60% of the grants (Rs. 3,00,000) will be released at the time of signing the LoA to accomplish the components 1-3 of the project, and the second installment of 40% of the grants (Rs. 2,00,000) after submission of progress report of components 1-3 to GBPNIHE and to take up components 4-5 (listed above).
- 4. On successful completion of project assignments/tasks the USAC, Dehradun will submit a statement of expenditure ending March of each financial year along with a report(s) of the activity /assignment.
- 5. The approval of grants is subject to incorporation of rules, regulations and guidelines applicable to NMHS funded projects following the General Financial Rules (2017).

IN THE WITNESS WHEREOF, the duly authorized representatives of the G.B. Pant National Institute of Himalayan Environment (GBP-NIHE) and Uttarakhand Space Application Centre (USAC), Government of Uttarakhand, respectively have signed this agreement.

For and on behalf of the GBP-NIHE (with seal)

For and on behalf of the USAC (with seal)

(Dr. R.S. Rawal) Director

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Date:

Place: USAC, D. Dr.