### 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



University of Kashmir (Government of Jammu & Kashmir) August 2021

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

## University of Kashmir (Government of Jammu and Kashmir)

# 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 University of Kashmir (Government of Jammu and Kashmir) to implement NMHS funded 'Himalayan Knowledge Network-HKN project (2019-2022)' activities in Jammu & Kashmir in collaboration with University of Kashmir, Govt. of J&K. The project activities/components are as follows:

Major Components	Coordination/Action (Deliverable/Output/Outcome)		
Establishment of Jammu and Kashmir HKN State Chapter (01 no.)	<ol> <li>State chapters are intended to facilitate sharing datal information relating to science-policy-practice interface for the Himalayan Environmental &amp; Development.</li> <li>State Chapter is meant for establishing Knowledge Network / Network of Networks among knowledge partners in the state.</li> <li>All HKN activities will be facilitated by the State Chapter at University of Kashmir, Jammu and Kashmir. A nodal person from the University of Kashmir has to be nominated.</li> </ol>		
State level workshop for network development (01 no.)	Holding state-level workshop of various stakeholders of Jammu and Kashmir state.     Identified Priority Thematic areas for the sustainable development of the state.     Prospective institution/ Resource Persons identification for preparation of thematic documents.		
3. Developing state-specific thematic reports (02 nos.)	<ol> <li>Workshop Proceedings/ Reports.</li> <li>Preparation of Thematic Documents on priority sectors as identified in the state workshop for Jammu &amp; Kashmir (02 nos) and its publication by GBPNIHE in collaboration with University of Kashmir.</li> </ol>		
4. Support strategic meets/ seminar/ conferences/ etc. (01 no.)	<ol> <li>Identification of Members of the State Chapter (preferably State S&amp;T Council) from Jammu &amp; Kashmir.</li> <li>Development of state specific strategy for utilization of data information/ data sharing mechanism among the network/use agencies, stakeholders and local people.</li> </ol>		
5. Developing and Support to youth forum (01 no.)	<ol> <li>Organization of expert talks on mountain /Jammu &amp; Kashmir issues.</li> <li>Awakening among the youth on climate change adaptations, HKN activities, natural resource management etc.</li> <li>Orientation of youth on data/information collection that is utilizable by planners and policy makers.</li> <li>Preparation of directory of climate change leaders.</li> </ol>		

- 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 for State of J&K at University of Kashmir, Srinagar 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 University of Kashmir, Srinagar 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 University of Kashmir, Government of Jammu & Kashmir, respectively have signed this agreement.

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

For and on behalf of the University of Kashmir

(with seal)

Date: 16-08-2 G. B. Pa

Place: Kosi- Himalaya

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Almora

Date: Place:

Budget Allocation for HKN Project Activities in Rs. Lakh (FY-2021-2022)

Major Components	Budget Provision (Rs. in lakes)	University of Kashmir Coordination/Action (Deliverable/Output/Outcome)	Time Line
1. Establishment of Jammu & Kashmir HKN State Chapter (01 no.)	0.50	State chapters are intended to facilitate the sharing data/ information relating science-policy-practice interface for the Himalayan Environmental & Development.  Knowledge Network / Network of Network development among partners in the state.  All HKN activities will be facilitated by the State Chapter at University of Kashmir.	01 month (August 2021)
2. State level workshop for network development (01 no.)	0.50	Holding state-level workshop of various stakeholders of Jammu & Kashmir.  Identified Priority Thematic areas of the state and preparation of Thematic document on identified thematic issues.  Prospective institution/ Resource Persons identification for preparation of thematic document.  Workshop Proceedings/ Reports	03 months (Aug 2021- Oct 2021)
3. Developing state-specific thematic reports (02 nos.)	1.00	Thematic documents on priority sector as identified in the state workshop for State of your respective RCs (02 nos. Thematic Documents publication for Jammu & Kashmir)	9 months (Aug 2021- March 2022)
4. Support strategic meets/ seminar/ conferences/ etc. (01 no.)	0.50	Identification of Nodal Agency/ Members of the State Chapter (preferably State S&T Council).  Modus- operandi of the State Chapters and Strategic support to State- Chapters.  Development of state specific strategy for utilization of data/ information/ Data sharing mechanism among the network/user agencies, stakeholders and local people.	03 months (Aug 2021- Oct 2021)
Developing and Support to youth forum (01 no.)	0.50	Organization of expert talks  Awakening among the youth on climate change adaptations, HKN activities, natural resource management.  Orientation of youth on data/information collection that is utilizable by planners and policy makers.  Directory of climate change leaders.	Jan 2022- March 2022
Travel	0.75	Domestic travel only.	
Contingency	0.50		
Consumable	0.75		
Total	5.00		

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