

Memorandum of Understanding (MOU)
Between
National Investigation Agency (NIA)
New Delhi, India
And
Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel National Police Academy (NPA)
Hyderabad, India

1. Preamble

- 1.1 The National Investigation Agency (hereinafter referred to as NIA) under Ministry of Home Affairs, is a premier national agency under the Government of India. NIA is mandated to investigate and prosecute various scheduled offences including cases related to terrorism having national and international ramifications. NIA has been set up with Head Quarters at New Delhi and presently having Branch Offices at Hyderabad, Lucknow, Guwahati, Kolkata, Kochi, Mumbai, Jammu, Chandigarh, Raipur, Chennai, Imphal, Ranchi, Bangalore, Jaipur, Bhopal, Bhubaneshwar, Ahmedabad and Patna.
- 1.2 The Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel National Police Academy, Hyderabad (herein after referred to as NPA) is the premier IPS training Institute of India. The primary purpose of NPA is to prepare and train Police officials in various fields for their strong professional competency and sense of service to the people. NPA conducts basic training courses, Mid-Career Training Programmes and short specialized thematic courses, seminars and workshops, catering to the field of policing and security.

- 1.3 This Memorandum of Understanding (hereinafter referred to as MOU) is intended to extend training capabilities by NPA, Hyderabad in relevant subjects by the specialized wing National Digital Crime Resource and Training Centre (NDCRTC) to the officials of NIA in all ranks as well as to carry out training of DySP and above level NIA officers for specialized courses by the Special Tactics Wing(STW) of NPA as mutually agreed upon.
- 1.4 Under the MOU, NDCRTC, NPA will conduct training for NIA officials, who join NIA on deputation/absorption, direct recruitment etc. on various emerging topics related to technology, investigation and related to other schedule offences. The training by NDCRTC officials will be conducted in NIA Branch Offices as per mutually agreed places and schedule. Additionally, NPA and NIA will conduct specialized courses for DySP to SP rank officers of NIA.

2. NIA and NPA reaches the following understanding:-

- 2.1 NIA and NPA will explore and work upon the enhancement of professional capabilities for the officers of NIA.
- 2.2 NIA and NPA will provide the study material, class room facilities, accommodation and other modalities required during the training programmes wherever applicable.
- 2.3 NPA will provide access to the Academy's publications and library resources.

3. The Modalities

3.1 NIA and NPA will consider this MOU as the basic guiding document for preparing specific proposals to further the objectives of this MOU. Implementation of training programme:

i) The allotment of slots for the training programmes will be done well in advance.

S. No	Name of the course	Duration	Max. participants	Min. participants	Minimum level of participation
1.	Specialized Courses by NDCRTC	03-05 days	50	30	All ranks
2.	Specialized Courses	01 week	30	25	DySP and above

ii) Draft course design may include as mutually agreed upon as follows:

- a) NIA and its functioning.
- b) Scheduled offences and its specialized investigation.
- c) Investigation techniques.
- d) Prosecution and Court Craft.
- e) Investigation abroad and various issues related to international norms of investigation.
- f) Advance security measures in field investigation.
- g) Minor Acts connected with scheduled offenses.
- h) Firing training sessions (actual plus simulated).

iii) NDCRTC may conduct additional courses on payment basis, either at SVP NPA, Hyderabad or at NIA HQrs, New Delhi on requirement basis on the topics like; Digital Forensics, Dark Web Investigation, Cryptocurrency investigation, OSINT and Social Media Analysis and Digital etc.

- iv) The acceptance of the course offered and administrative arrangements made by NPA should be received by NIA well in advance prior to the proposed date of commencement of the course for finalization of training.
- v) The responsibility for calling nominations and finalizing participants would be of NIA, New Delhi. Final list of participants should be sent to NPA well in advance prior to proposed date of commencement of the course.
- vi) Liaison officers for coordination should be detailed by NPA and NIA along with administrative staff.
- vii) The responsibility for making arrangements for boarding, lodging for NIA officers, team, participants and guest faculty would be of NPA where applicable.
- viii) The names of guest faculty would be proposed in mutual consultation.
- ix) The course offered can be postponed/ cancelled at any time by NIA or NPA owing to emergent situation or in case the participation is insufficient or due to lack of facilities/advance specific requirement/arrangements.

4. Commencement and Duration


- 4.1 This MoU commences, on the date of its signature by the Heads of both agencies, or their nominees. This MoU may be amended or modified at any time by the mutual consent of both the agencies.
- 4.2 Nothing in this MoU shall be construed as creating a legal relationship between the parties and for the avoidance of doubt the parties agree that this MoU is not legally binding.

4.3 This MoU shall be in effect for 05 years from the date of its signing and it may be renewed for further successive periods at a time by the mutual written agreement of both the agencies. The Memorandum can be terminated at any time by either of the agencies upon provision of three months written notice to the other agency.

Signed at.....New Delhi.....on 26TH day of April.....2022 in two originals in the English language.

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