

Memorandum of Understanding

Between



**SARDAR VALLABHBHAI PATEL
NATIONAL POLICE ACADEMY,
Hyderabad**

&



**TELANGANA STATE POLICE,
Hyderabad**

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

The Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) is made on this **First** day of **November, 2021**.

Between

- (i) National Digital Crime Resource and Training Centre (NDCRTC), under IT wing of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel National Police Academy, Ministry of Home Affairs, Government of India located at Hyderabad, Telangana-500 052 (**hereinafter referred as NDCRTC**)

And

- (ii) Telangana State Police, Home Department, Government of Telangana, Lakdikapul, Opp: Ravindra Bharathi, Hyderabad, Telangana-500 004 (**hereinafter referred as TS Police**).

1. NDCRTC and TS Police are individually referred as “Party” collectively as the “Parties”. **Whereas NDCRTC** is functioning under IT wing of SVP NPA with a vision to be a National Centre of Excellence for training and research in the field of Digital Crime investigation and Cyber Forensics and to create capacity building in the field of digital crime preventions, detection, investigation and prosecution. It is now one of the most modern cyber forensic training centres of the country, equipped with latest tools and experts in cybercrime investigation, disk forensics, mobile forensics and network forensics.

The key objectives of **NDCRTC** are:

- To train various stakeholders of Criminal Justice System like Police Officers, Prosecutors, Judges, Investigation Officers of all Law Enforcement Agencies (LEAs) etc. in the areas of cybercrime investigation, computer forensics and cyber security.
- To design and develop course curriculum and its delivery in the field of digital crime prevention, detection, mitigation and investigation.

- To develop best practices for the investigation and prosecution of digital crime of various types and prepare case studies for training.
- To organize 'Train the Trainer' programmes to augment the capacity building of State Police Units and other LEAs.
- To liaise with various national and international agencies working in this field.
- Creation of resource portal along with e-learning methodologies and facilities for dissemination of course material.

The Centre has trained more than 9000 officers of various ranks belonging to various law enforcement agencies as well as judiciary and prosecution in India. The centre has also launched e-learning portal to provide online training to the police officers of various ranks in the field of cybercrime investigation and digital forensics. More than 500 officers have undergone training through our online portal.

2. **Whereas TS Police** is State Police Department under Government of Telangana, which has developed various Cyber Crime Labs suitable for handling investigation and prosecution of cases in the field of Cyber Crime.
3. Whereas both the parties aforesaid are agreeable to provide access to the Cyber Crime Cells established by TS Police and various investigation units for developing case studies in emerging trends in the field of cyber crime. NDCRTC SVPNPA, to organize 'Train the Trainer' programmes to augment the capacity building of TS Police and its other investigation units.

4. Now, therefore, the parties herein above mutually agree to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) on the following terms and conditions, namely:-

(i) This MoU shall remain valid till the period of three years or continuation of NDCRTC as approved by MHA from the date of its signing unless terminated earlier by serving notice of 30 days from either party and may be extended by mutual agreement of parties at least 60 days, prior to expiry.

(ii) **Responsibilities**

(a) NDCRTC, SVP NPA to train TS Police officers in organising training programmes on Cyber Crime Investigation and Digital Forensics.

(b) NDCRTC to extend its expertise in detection and investigation of significant cyber crimes reported in the state of Telangana.

(c) NDCRTC to extend assistance to TS Police in Digital Forensics.

(d) TS Police to provide access to NDCRTC resource persons to the case files and trial proceedings of Cyber Crimes for using them for the purpose of preparing case studies for research and training purposes.

(e) TS Police to provide information about latest trends in cyber crime with regard to Modus Operandi and new tools / targets of cyber criminals.

(f) TS Police to provide case dockets including forensic reports, digital evidences of the cases that are disposed post-trial to NDCRTC for training purposes.

(g) Any other areas which arise in future and are agreed upon mutually for common interest in this field.

5. Terms of understanding:

- (i) This MoU shall not be a legally binding contract, and under no circumstance, this MoU shall subject either of the Parties to breach of contract, whether material or minor, or to any liability under national or international laws or to any other applicable law.
- (ii) The Parties hereby agree that they are not bound exclusively by this Memorandum and shall be at liberty to enter into any separate agreements or arrangements with any third party without reference to the other Party.
- (iii) All conditions, changes, erasures, amendments, waivers etc. shall only be in writing, duly executed by both the Parties.
- (iv) This MoU and any amendment thereof, are limited to the purpose of this MoU.
- (v) The Parties shall make best efforts to resolve all differences and disputes arising in connection with this MoU amicably. In case the differences are not resolved amicably, a Committee will do the same and failure after that to resolve differences could lead to termination of this MoU. The Members of the Committee would consist of equal number of Members both from SVPNPA and TS Police.

6. Maintenance of Confidentiality: The material/data supplied by both the parties would be kept confidential and be used for the limited purposes mentioned above.

7. In no circumstances, the resource persons of NDCRTC or expert assistance taken from NDCRTC be quoted by the other party in media /

case diary. NDCRTC personnel would never be mentioned as witnesses in the trial process of the case.

8. **Nodal Officers:** Assistant Director (IT) & I/c NDCRTC, SVP NPA would be the Nodal Officer on behalf of NDCRTC, SVP NPA and Inspector (State IT Cell) of TS Police would be the nodal officer on behalf of the Telangana State Police.

9. **IN WITNESS WHEREOF** the Parties have caused this Memorandum of Understanding to be executed the day and year first herein above written.

For and on behalf of NDCRTC, SVPNPA

For and on behalf of TS Police

(Shri. Atul Karwal)

(Shri. M Mahendar Reddy)

Director, SVP NPA

DGP, TS Police

Witness

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