

### MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

**BETWEEN** 



# NARCOTICS CONTROL BUREAU (NCB) MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS, GOVERNMENT OF INDIA

And



## CENTRAL BOARD OF SECONDARY EDUCATION (CBSE)

**NEW DELHI** 

On

"Cooperation in the field of Awareness Programme against Drug Abuse at CBSE affiliated schools"



This Memorandum of Understanding (the "MoU") is entered into on 03 September 2025 by Narcotics Control Bureau, Ministry of Home Affairs, Government of India (here-in-after referred to as NCB), Government of India of the FIRST PART represented by Shri Anurag Garg, Director General (NCB).

#### And

Central Board of Secondary Education, New Delhi (here-in-after referred to as CBSE) having its office at Sector 23, Phase -1, Dwarka, New Delhi of the SECOND PART represented by Shri Rahul Singh, Chairperson, CBSE.

NCB and CBSE are individually referred as "Party" and collectively referred as "Parties"

### WHEREAS:

- A. NCB is the apex nodal agency in the country to prevent the trafficking of drugs and their abuse.
- B. The Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE) is a national level board of education in India for public and private schools, controlled and managed by the Government of India.

## NOW THEREFORE THE PARTIES HERETO AGREE AS UNDER:

### **ARTICLE 1**

### PURPOSE AND SCOPE OF MoU

- 1.1 To increase awareness among Teachers/students/parents against drug abuse, at least one Awareness program on Drug Abuse may be conducted quarterly in the schools.
- 1.2 To equip teachers/students/parents and faculties against drug abuse and its legal consequences and offer counseling support in coordination with Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment (MoSJ&E).
- 1.3 To foster a drug-free environment in schools, enhancing students' well-being and academic performance.

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#### **ARTICLE 2**

#### **OBJECTIVES**

- The objective of this MoU between the parties is to explore and establish co-operation in all matters pertaining to educating the teachers/students/parents about the abuse of drugs, legal provisions and alternative development programmes to curb the misuse of Narcotic drugs & Psychotropic substances.
- 2.2 NCB is the apex nodal agency in the country to prevent the trafficking of drugs and their abuse. The Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE) is a national level board of education in India for public and private schools, controlled and managed by the Government of India.
- 2.3 The parties, therefore, enter this MoU to cooperate in the promotion of drug awareness especially among teachers/parents/students and its legal consequences, and further endeavour to strengthen alternate development programmes.

#### **ARTICLE 3**

#### ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF NCB

The broad framework of the potential roles and responsibilities of Narcotics Control Bureau (NCB) are as under:

- 3.1 Policy and Enforcement:
- 3.1.1 Suggest programmes to prevent drug abuse in schools.
- 3.2 Awareness Programs/Capacity Building Programs:
- 3.2.1. Conduct awareness campaigns and workshops for students, school counselors/wellness teachers, parents and other stakeholders about the dangers of drug abuse.
- 3.2.2. Organize training programs for teachers, school counselors, and CBSE officials on drug prevention, detection and intervention and roles of parents and teachers in preventing substance abuse
- 3.2.3 Conduct webinars, interactive sessions, and virtual workshops focused on:
- 3.2.3.1 Sensitization against drug abuse
- 3.2.3.2 Life skills and community support





## 3.3 Social Media Activities:

- Conduct online quizzes/contests and share awareness jingles/banners to combat drug 3.3.1 abuse.
- E-Modules and Resource Materials: 3.4
- Develop e-modules and resource materials in co-ordination with CBSE on: 3.4.1
- 3.4.1.1. Mental health and well-being
- 3.4.1.2. Strategies for creating a drug-free school environment
- 3.4.2 Counseling and support system in coordination with Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment (MoSJ&E).
- 3.4.3 Exchange information and content with CBSE to develop effective e-modules and resource materials.

**Counseling Sessions:** 

3.5.1 Provide group and one-on-one counseling sessions through CBSE representatives and trained counselors to support students and parents in coordination with Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment (MoSJ&E).

### **ARTICLE 4**

## ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF CBSE

Below is a generalized outline of the potential roles and responsibilities of Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE).

- **Policy Implementation** 4.1
- 4.1.1. Integrate NCB's drug prevention guidelines into school eco system through clubs, bag less day's activities etc.
- 4.1.2. Ensure that schools comply with the drug prevention policies and procedures.
- 4.2 Capacity Building Programs:
- 4.2.1 Facilitate training sessions for teachers, counselors and other staff members to effectively

4.2.2. Encourage schools to designate points of contact for drug abuse-related issues.



## 4.3 Pilot with 100 CBSE Schools:

- 4.3.1. Identification of 100 schools across India for a Pilot.
- 4.3.2. Organize Awareness campaigns/ programs at these 100 schools to foster a supportive environment for students in families, schools and communities to eliminate the risks associated with substance use.
- 4.3.3. The identified 100 schools may further collaborate and engage with nearby schools as a Hub and Spoke model for sensitization/ awareness campaigns and programs to empower students towards a healthy and happier life.
- 4.4 E-Modules and Resource Materials Develop E-modules and Resource Material on various themes concerning students, parents and community in association with NCB and make available to the stakeholders i.e. students, parents and schools.

### 4.4.1. Topics for Students for E-Modules:

Understanding Drug Abuse, Ill-effects of Drugs Abuse, The Science Behind Addiction, Recognizing Peer Pressure and How to Say No, Healthy Alternatives to Drug Use.

### 4.4.2. Topics for Parents:

Parental Guidance on Drug Awareness, Awareness about Early Warning Signals, Creating a Supportive Home Environment, Dealing with Suspected Drug Use, and Resources and Support Systems etc.

- 4.4.3 Topics for Schools/Community:
- 4.4.3.1. Drug Awareness in Schools, Implementing Drug Education Programs, Building a Drug-Free School Environment, and Counselling and Support etc.
- 4.4.3.2. Community Involvement in Drug Prevention, Legal Consequences of Drug Abuse, Supporting At-Risk Youth, and Promoting Healthy Lifestyles and Activities etc.

### 4.5 Sharing of Resources/Material:

CBSE and NCB will exchange information/content for E-modules as per areas of common interest. The material/e-modules and audio-visual content of webinars conducted jointly by CBSE and NCB will be made available on CBSE channels/portals as a part of CBSE Counseling services.







## 46 Counseling Sessions:

Group and one-on-one counseling sessions will be organized through CBSE & NCB representatives and trained counselors and authorities to provide support to students and parents in coordination with Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment (MoSJ&E).

## 4.7. Monitoring and Reporting

- 4.7.1 Monitor the implementation of drug prevention measures in affiliated schools.
- 4.7.2. Report any drug-related incidents in schools to NCB in addition to jurisdictional law enforcement agency and take necessary action as per law.

### **ARTICLE 5**

### **COMMUNICATION**

- 5.1 Each party will designate Liaison Officer to coordinate with each other for this partnership.
- 5.2 Either party may change its designated Liaison Officer by written communication to the designated Liaison Officer of the other party. The Officers will inform each other of the delegation of duties within the respective institutions' staff for the implementation of programs and routine communication.

### **ARTICLE 6**

## RENEWAL, REVIEW, TERMINATION AND AMENDMENT OF THE MoU

- 6.1 This MoU will be effective from the date of the signature for an initial period of two years. Thereafter, it shall be automatically extended for an additional period of two years at each expiration date unless either party provides written notice to terminate the MoU with a minimum of <u>01 month</u> prior to the expiration date. Programs planned or in progress when termination is initiated, will be satisfactorily completed.
- 6.2 The MoU will automatically be renewed for the next cycle in case the planned activities get postponed or cancelled due to unavoidable circumstances like Pandemic, lockdown, examination etc.
- Both parties will regularly review the program(s) on a half yearly basis. The review is essential in order to make appropriate and mutually agreed modifications as may be required and to identify new opportunities for cooperation.

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- 6.4 Items not covered by the MoU may be raised and negotiated separately by both parties without abrogating this MoU. Amendments or changes shall be made in writing and signed by the duly authorized representatives of the institutions.
- 6.5 If any provision of this MoU is found to conflict with any laws, statutes or regulations in force at that point in time, such provision will be null and void.
- 6.6 All issues will be resolved between the parties through mutual discussion.
- 6.7 This MoU is signed in quadruplicate and each institution will receive two copies.

### **ARTICLE 7**

### **OTHER COVENANTS**

- 7.1 This MoU does not represent any relation such as Principal-Agent or Employer-Employee between the two parties, their employees and affiliates.
- 7.2 Each party shall maintain confidentiality and integrity of any and all information obtained from the other party as part of this association.
- 7.3 Both the parties accept exclusive liability for and shall indemnify the other with respect to and defend and hold the other party harmless from and against all losses, damages, liabilities, costs, or expenses, which are caused in the course of execution of any project.

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### ARTICLE 8

### FORCE MAJEURE

Neither party shall be liable to the other for failure or delay in the performance of any of its obligations under this MoU.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the parties have carefully gone through the contents of Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) and have signed and put their seals on the aforesaid MoU and agreed to abide by the terms and conditions laid down therein in totality have signed this MoU as the day and year first above written.

| For<br>CENTRAL BOARD OF SECONDARY<br>EDUCATION |
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| LOCATION LOCATION: DELHI, INDIA                |
| (RAHUL SINGH)<br>CHAIRPERSON, CBSE             |
| WITNESS:                                       |
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