MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

This Memorandum of understanding is made on 31.05.2025 at D.B.G. Govt College, Panipat between Pratham Education Foundation, Address: Pratham Education Foundation, Ground Floor,356,Sector 16,Panchkula,Haryana, Pin-134109 (hereinafter referred to as "Pratham" which expression shall unless repugnant to the context thereof be deemed to mean and include its successors and assigns), of FIRST PARTY; and the Institute Desh Bandhu Gupta Govt. College, Panipat whose address is Sector-18, Panipat through its authorized signatory Principal Desh Bandhu Gupta Govt. College, Panipat (hereinafter referred to as "Second Party" which expression shall unless repugnant to the context thereof be deemed to mean and include its successors and assigns), of the SECOND PARTY;

Pratham and Second Party are hereinafter individually referred to as "Party" and collectively referred to as "Parties".

Pratham is one of the largest non-governmental organizations (NGOs) working to improve the quality of education in India. Started with the objective of providing pre-school education to children in the slums of Mumbai, over the years, the organization has grown in both scope and size while working towards the mission of "Every Child in School & Learning Well".

The Second Party is Desh Bandhu Gupta Govt. College, Panipat.

Pratham is desirous of collaborating with the Second Party for the purpose of facilitating summer campaign in 2025. The Second Party has agreed to collaborate with Pratham for the above-mentioned purpose.

Both parties agree that this is solely a non-financial agreement.

Purpose:

By April 2025, three uninterrupted academic years will have passed since the pandemic eased. During this time, schools have integrated key policy reforms from NEP 2020, NCF-FS, and NIPUN Bharat, significantly improving early-grade learning. The NEP 2020 underscores the urgency of foundational literacy and numeracy (FLN), with NIPUN Bharat focusing on early grades. However, children entering Grade VI—especially those affected by past school closures—need support to catch up on foundational skills as academic rigor increases in upper primary.

As per Annual Status of Education Report (ASER) 2024 Haryana 63.5 % government and private school children in Std. 5 can read a Std II-level story. In Mathematics, 50.6 % of children can do a simple division. Similarly, in Std. VIII, 88.2% of children both in government and private schools can read a simple story and 54.2 % of children can do simple division. Thus, the data indicate a persistent learning gap relatively in Arithmetic abilities. Without timely intervention, these gaps may widen, making it harder for students to keep up with their curriculum. Strengthening foundational skills at this stage is crucial for their continued academic success. During the initial phase of academic cycle, structured short-term programs can bridge learning gaps, strengthen core skills, and enhance grade preparedness.

Scope of Collaboration for summer camp:

- 1. Preparation and Mobilization: A six-week campaign module is designed, including language and math activities, assessment tools, and a digital platform for monitoring. Pratham teams work across mapped locations, engaging with government institutions, and civil society stakeholders at district, block, and village levels to create awareness and ensure community participation.
- 2. Orientation/Training of Volunteers: Pratham team members will train the partners and organisation, who will further deliver training to community volunteers to demonstrate activities, provide hands-on experience with assessment tools, and explore strategies for effective campaign implementation.
- 3. Baseline Assessment: After receiving orientation/ training and the summer camp kit, volunteers will assess and identify children in the targeted groups struggling with reading and perform basic mathematics in their localities. This helps establish a starting point for tracking the children's progress throughout the campaign.
- 4. Implementation of Activities- The campaign will be rolled out in communities, with volunteers conducting engaging language and math activities based on the camp manual. Children participate actively through interactive learning methods like storytelling, games, and group activities.
- 5. End line Assessment-Towards the end of the instructional phase, volunteers will conduct a final assessment to measure improvements in children's reading and numeracy skills. Data will be collected to evaluate the impact of the campaign
- 6. EfE-Course- A course namely "Learn with Google tools" will be offered to all the volunteers for their participation in the campaign. The "Learn with Google Tools" course aims to equip youth with the skills and knowledge to effectively utilize Google's suite of tools, enhancing their digital literacy, productivity, and collaboration.
- 7. Celebration and Felicitation- The campaign concludes with a community celebration, recognising the efforts of volunteers and children's achievements. Certificates and acknowledgements are given to volunteers, ensuring motivation for continued engagement in learning initiatives.
- 8. This will be solely a voluntarily task and hence no remuneration/ financial benefit will be provided to the volunteers.

Role and Responsibility

1. Role of Partner Organisation in Summer Camp-

- Identify a core team with representatives from the partner organization and Pratham to support planning, resource mapping, obtaining permission letters, and overseeing implementation and monitoring
- Assist in designating a key point of contact to collaborate with Pratham team members
- Pratham team will facilitate the training sessions with partners at the local level, who will then train volunteers on summer camp activities
- Provide necessary resources, such as training spaces, permission letters etc. to ensure widespread awareness across the state
- Conduct monitoring and mentoring visits during summer camp implementation to encourage children, volunteers, and Pratham team members
- Ensure the timely entry of data into the system
- Participate in the celebration and felicitation week towards the end of the camp and oversee the distribution of certificates to volunteers.
- Conduct review meetings with the core team tracking the progress

2. Pratham's Role in the Summer Camp-

- Provide print material of content relevant to the target group and volunteers, which is Summer Camp Kit including an activity's manual, assessment tools, formats, training plan, and digital content such as Kahani Train activities and the life skills-based Education for Education Course(EfE) for Volunteers.
- Develop and share communication materials to enhance awareness and provide a digital system for data collection.
- Conduct training sessions for identified PoCs across partners on the summer camp's content, process, and implementation.
- Support volunteer mobilization as needed.
- Maintain regular communication with the point of contacts of partner organization and the core team to track implementation progress and assist in strategy planning in case of challenges.
- Regularly track and analyse data, participating in review meetings to share updates from the field and present baseline and end line assessment data.

Terms and Conditions:

- 1. **Duration**: This MoU shall be effective from the 01/06/2025 to 15/07/2025 and shall remain in effect for a period of 6 week unless terminated by either party with Written notice.
- 2. Confidentiality: Both parties agree to maintain the confidentiality of any proprietary or sensitive information shared during the collaboration.
- 3. Intellectual Property: All intellectual property rights of the pre-existing content used or shared under this MoU shall continue to vest with the party who has ownership of such content. Pratham has ownership of all the content created, curated or collected during the duration of this MoU. After handing over the content to Pratham, the Second Party shall cease to use the content in any manner or form.

The Second Party shall not claim any right or interest, in relation to the final information, data, text/s, audio/s and/or video/s or any other content created, curated or collected under this MoU. Both parties acknowledge and agree that the trademarks and logos, identifying or used in connection with the each other, whether or not registered are the sole property of that party, and neither party shall tweak, edit or alter the trademarks and logos of the other party in any manner whatsoever.

4. Responsibilities: Each party shall be responsible for its own costs and expenses incurred in connection with this MoU unless otherwise agreed in writing.

Governance:

- 1. Points of Contact: Each party shall appoint a primary point of contact to oversee the collaboration and address any issues that arise.
- 2. Meetings: Regular meetings may be held to discuss progress, challenges, and future plans.

Termination:

Either party may terminate this MoU at any given time upon 1-month prior written notice to the other party, without assigning any reason. In the case of breach of this MoU, misrepresentation, fraud, moral turpitude, violation of policy against sexual harassment or child safeguarding policy, etc. by the Second Party, termination of this MoU shall be with immediate

In the event of notice of termination or termination/expiry as the case may be, the Second Party shall take immediate steps to bring work to a prompt conclusion, including return of equipment, files and other deliverables ("material"), if any, belonging to Pratham. After handing over of the material to Pratham, the Second Party shall destroy/delete/remove/return the material (as the case may be) within 15 days from its storage platform and shall submit a written declaration to Pratham to this effect.

Amendments:

Any amendments or modifications to this MoU must be made in writing and signed by both parties.

Signatures:

This MoU has been entered into as of the date first above written.

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Party A:

Signature:

KAJENDER SHARMA Name:

STATE Designation:

Date: 31.05.2025

Party B:

Signature:

PRINCIPAL 31.5.28 D.B.G. Govt. College

Panipat (Haryana)

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Designation:

Title: DBG GOVA. College Panipus Date: 31.05. 2025