

Memorandum of Understanding

Between

Delta Right Advisors and Bharati College, University of Delhi

Project name:

Developing a Proof of concept on Bachpan ki railgaadi a Set of materials developed by Delta Right Advisors for a marginalized children to understand possibilities of family outreach to supplement learning through parental engagement with children

Parties to the Terms of Reference

This term of reference has been made to detail out the scope of work for Bharati College, University of Delhi, C-4 Janakpuri, Delhi 110058 and Delta Right Advisors LLP with its registered office at B-43, 3rd Floor, Soami Nagar South, New Delhi 110017.

Background: Early childhood, spanning from birth to eight years, has been globally acknowledged to be the most critical stage for lifelong learning. The Goal 4 of the Sustainable Development Goals for 2030, states, "ensuring that all girls and boys have access to quality early childhood development, care and pre-primary education so that they are ready for primary education" (UN 2015). Taking cognizance of SDGs, the National Education Policy (NEP 2020) visualize promotion of holistic development and active learning capacity of all children in the age group 0-8 years. The Samagra Shiksha abhiyan promotes foundational literacy and numeracy skills at primary level by 2026-27, called 'National Initiative for Proficiency in Reading with Understanding and Numeracy' (NIPUN Bharat, 2021).

The role of parents and caregivers in home-based learning and their need for access to educational content cannot be negated. In the current pandemic situation and subsequent school/Anganwadi closures parents have become a primary source of assisted learning. Therefore, there has to be a shift in the pedagogy to propose innovative ways and strategies to communicate effectively with children and families and offer appropriate learning opportunities and support.

Delta Right Advisors (DRA) a Social Enterprise registered under the Limited Liability Partnership Act and has registered office in the Delhi/NCR of India. DRA has experienced development professionals who have worked at all levels- from grassroots to global and bring this experience to address the needs of our clients largely as a technical agency with a core expertise in the development space. We bring this experience to address the needs of our clients largely as a technical agency with a core expertise in the development space. The word Delta is taken from the 4th letter of the Greek Alphabet meaning change – and taken together the two words Delta Right mean - "The Right Change". Delta Right Advisors is committed to the cause of women and children and has been working largely in the domains of Gender, Education and ECD.

About the Project that forms the basis of the MOU : The Covid-19 pandemic resulted in extreme learning gaps in young learners' learning. This project is aimed at bridging this gap by ensuring parental involvement. The packs will be distributed to households in the Plan community so that parents can engage with children



and facilitate their children's learning process through the use of storybooks, activities, worksheets and audios.

Delta Right Advisors have been requested by Plan International India to undertake this program with 200 children in Dwarka and Holambikalan on early Literacy and Numeracy. In this context, thematic packs for children with story books, engaging material, worksheets, color and craft activities for children between 4-5 years who are primarily first-generation learners have been developed.

Before starting the intervention, there is a need to carry pre and post assessment of the status of the young child in terms of identified indicators that we have already identified that are also in consonance with NIPUN Bharat Guidelines. The questionnaire has also been developed for this purpose

Proposal: Delta Right Advisors will partner with the Human Development and Family Empowerment Department of Bharati College, University of Delhi for the above-mentioned project.

- a. As a part of baseline data collection, children's background information regarding their status of learning, whether they attended any preschool prior to the pandemic, their reading habits etc. will be recorded. For this data will be collected by Bharati College volunteers using Google forms created by Delta Right Advisors along with other investigators in the field.
- b. Students and 1-2 Faculty will support this work in terms of analysis, reporting, longitudinal tracking and providing us with a report that will help provide evidence of efficacy of materials and any other causal links with children's abilities that may emerge.
- c. As this partnership will be for Knowledge sharing, Delta Right Advisor Team will be organizing seminars, workshops for Bharati College faculty as well as students as and when possible on the learning's of the project.

ii. **Roles and responsibilities:** The roles and responsibilities of both the parties are given below:

Bharati College	Delta Right Advisor Team
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Selection of 4 student volunteers with good knowledge of early childhood education • Collection of baseline data by students and other investigators appointed by Delta Right Advisors covering two project locations i.e., Holambi Kalan and Dwarka covering 100 families in each location in the month of February 2022. • Tracking 5 children in each location to understand the impact of the intervention • Collection of endline data by students and their investigators that may be appointed by Delta Right Advisors in two project locations i.e., Holambi Kalan and Dwarka covering 100 families in each location in the month of September 2022. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Providing google form for data collection of baseline and end line data collection • Orientation of student's volunteers regarding the data collection google form created Delta Rights Advisors team • Ensuring the safety of the College volunteers while they are in the field for data collection. • Taking consent from parents before data collection. • Providing the stipend and certificates to college students after the project duration.



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- III. **Outcome and Impact** The project aims to understand the impact of the early reading material for a group of children to understand possibilities of outreach given the pandemic situation. The project will bridge the extreme learning gaps in young learners' learning by ensuring parental involvement.

Time line of assignment

Baseline data collection and reports: Mid-February- Mid March 2022

End line data collection and reports: August - September 2022

Longitudinal data collection: continuous

There is no financial implication of any kind for Bharati College

Accepted by the College:

Signature of Principal with date: *Raku*
16/2/22

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