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Subject: Minutes of the 5th meeting of the National Steering Committee to oversee the implementation of National Academic Depository (NAD)

The undersigned is directed to enclose herewith the minutes of the 5th meeting of the National Steering Committee to oversee the implementation of National Academic Depository (NAD) held under the Chairpersonship of Secretary (Higher Education) on 2nd June, 2017 for action as indicated in the minutes.

Encl: As above

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Minutes of the 5th Meeting of National Steering Committee to oversee the implementation of National Academic Depository

The 5th National Steering Committee (NSC) Meeting to oversee the implementation of National Academic Depository (NAD) was held on 2nd June, 2017 at 2:30 P.M. under the Chairmanship of Secretary (HE). The list of participants is annexed.

2. Secretary (HE) welcomed the members of the NSC. He expressed his concern over non-fulfilment of the last year’s budget commitment of the government and noted the urgency in the operationalisation of NAD.

3. The University Grants Commission (UGC) placed before the NSC the draft Service Level Agreement (SLA) for its perusal and discussion. The Committee discussed in detail various provisions contained in the draft SLA. Further, the Joint Secretary, University Grants Commission (UGC) made a presentation on the progress made so far in the implementation of NAD and apprised the committee about future actions with target dates for each of such actions.

4. After detailed deliberations, the following approvals/decisions were taken:

(i) UGC shall prescribe the systems/hardware/software requirements for depositories to ensure safe, secured and smooth operationalisation of NAD. MeitY and NIC would vet whether the system requirements so prescribed by the UGC are in order or not. This action should be completed by 7th June 2017. [Action: UGC and MeitY]

(ii) Keeping in view certain observations submitted before the Committee on the draft SLA by representatives of DEA, MeitY, NIOS, NIC etc., it was decided that the draft SLA would be circulated to all the members of NSC seeking their written comments/suggestions within the next two working days. It was also decided that the draft SLA would be placed before the NSC in its next meeting after duly incorporating such suggestions/comments. [Action: UGC and all members of NSC]
(iii) Immediately after the NSC meeting, a meeting should be held with the participation of NIC, MeitY, Depositories, MHRD to deliberate inter-operability issues in the implementation of National Academic Depository (NAD) and fix activity-wise target dates for resolving those issues well within 20th June 2017. [Action: UGC, Depositories and NIC]

(iv) Depositories should notify the user charges/tariff ceilings for all NAD services on their respective websites within one week of finalisation of the draft SLA. [Action: Depositories]

(v) Depositories should complete third party and independent technical audits of their system, infrastructure, applications, security protocols and shall submit a certificate/report to that effect to UGC well before 30th June, 2017 so that the same could be placed before the technical sub-committee of NAD. The depositories should ensure that the infrastructure, software, network system are compliant with the Information Technology Act, 2000. [Action: Depositories, UGC]

(vi) The draft SLA was expected to be finalised by 12th June 2017 whereas the process of technical audit of depositories would take some time [i.e. till 30th June 2017]. Hence, the depositories may initiate the processes leading to signing up of SLAs with Academic Institutions immediately, once the same was finalised and shared with them. [Action: Depositories and Academic Institutions/Boards/Eligibility Assessment Bodies]

5. The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the Chair.

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