



**Government of Haryana**



**UNDP**

**Memorandum of Understanding  
between the  
United Nations Development Programme and  
Haryana Skill Development Mission**

This Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) is concluded between the United Nations Development Programme ("UNDP"), an agency of the United Nations and Haryana Skill Development Mission ("HSDM"), under the aegis of the Department of Technical Education ("DTE"), Government of Haryana. UNDP and HSDM, Government of Haryana are hereinafter jointly referred to as the "Signatories".

The United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) helps countries to develop policies, leadership skills, partnering abilities, institutional capabilities and build resilience in order to sustain development results. UNDP works in more than 170 countries and territories, helping to achieve the eradication of poverty, and the reduction of inequalities and exclusion.

The Department of Technical Education (DTE), Government of Haryana serves as the state nodal agency for providing technically trained workforce in various fields of engineering and technology encompassing Diploma, Post-Diploma, Degree and Post-Graduate level courses conducted through technical Institutions such as the Polytechnics, Engineering Colleges and Institutions of Management thereby also meeting the requirements of Industries/Departments/Organisations and other user agencies. Development of entrepreneurship is also promoted through industry-institute interaction. As the DTE has full administrative control over all Technical Institutions of the State, it takes upon itself the task of preparing five year plans and annual plans.

Through this MoU, the Signatories wish to explore areas of collaboration in the framework of the UNDP implemented Project on Skill Development, Employment and Entrepreneurship for Women. This initiative seeks to leverage the needs for skilled personnel and other inputs in the business sector (as well as their financial and institutional capacity) and to create opportunities for skill development, employment and entrepreneurship for women. This multi-state initiative is funded by the IKEA Foundation and is supported by Xynteo, an international advisory firm which will help build partnerships with the business sector. The project has been duly endorsed by the Department of Economic Affairs, Union Ministry of Finance.

In the State of Haryana, the project location is likely to be in the National Capital Region (NCR) and include the urban, peri-urban areas as well as proximate rural areas in the region.

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**This MoU will facilitate collaboration in the following areas:**

- Identification of businesses in the state that are interested in partnering in this initiative.
- Assessment of the opportunities for skill development and placement of women in the business units identified.
- Delineation of entrepreneurship opportunities in the supply-chain of the identified business units and in the proximate eco-system.
- Mobilisation of women and their skill development and entrepreneurship development so that they harness the above opportunities optimally and in line with their aspirations and needs.
- Development of a robust business model that could help replicate the above gains on a large scale.
- Identification of Implementing Agencies which could bring together the demand and supply sides in an efficient and cost effective manner.

To ensure smooth implementation of the project, the Signatories will explore the creation of a suitable management structure at the state level which could be hosted at a place mutually decided between the Government of Haryana and UNDP.

This MoU may be followed by a subsequent partnership agreement between the two signatories to establish specific items for collaboration in the agreed areas of work.

The focal points / contact persons under this MoU will be Ms. Marina Walter, Deputy Country Director, for UNDP and Mission Director, for HSDM.



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