

# MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING / AGREEMENT

This Memorandum of Undertaking is made on << Date>> this day, between

Spark Incubation Center; a project of Sagar Smart City Limited, Government of Madhya Pradesh, herein refer to as "Spark" having its office at old RTO premises, TiliTirahaSagar, M.P.-470002.

**And**

<<Abhijeet Kumar>>, Founder, abhijeet@stepbeta.com and 8451999654

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Maharastra-400076

WHEREAS, Spark and Abhijeet Kumar are referred to individually as a "Party" and collectively as "Parties".

WHEREAS, both parties have come together to collaborate and to maximize the benefits from mutual interests and setting out the working arrangements that each of the entities agree are necessary for successful collaboration.

NOW, THEREFORE, it is hereby agreed by and between the undersigned parties as follows:

## ARTICLE I: PURPOSE

The purpose of the collaborative relationship contemplated by this MOU is to offer potential synergy exchange and linkage opportunities for acceleration, pre-incubation and mentorship programs for the startups incubated at Spark Incubation Center.

## ARTICLE II: BACKGROUND OF THE PARTIES

### About Spark Incubation Center

Spark Incubation Centre is designed and operated by the Sagar Smart City Limited (SSCL), Madhya Pradesh State Government Company. This center is at the intersection of the start-up community, government, corporate, academic, and research sectors.

This center is in operation from **25<sup>th</sup>February 2021** and a range of services have been offered to theIncubates, customized to the needs of them.

#### **About Abhijeet Kumar**

Abhijeet has been working at the intersection of social impact, technology, and behavior change for the last 7 years post transitioning from his corporate life of 7 years across automotive, mining, and consulting organizations. Having worked across private and public health domains designing and implementing projects, he has developed the ability to balance strategic and nuts and bolts perspectives.He has advised and worked with multiple number of local and international NGO's and CSR teams on designing their policy, guidelines and operating roadmap. He is a poet at heart who has also studied engineering, management, and public policy.

He is also a mentor to multiple startups incubated in IIT Kanpur and T-Hub and helps them with strategy, marketing, scaling up their operations and storytelling.

### **ARTICLE III: CONSULTATION & EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION**

- The mentor agrees to provide a minimum of four hours of mentorship per month to startups in the incubation program.
- The mentor will be available for communication with startups through email, phone, and in-person meetings as mutually agreed upon.
- The mentor will maintain confidentiality regarding any information disclosed by startups and will not disclose any information to any third party without prior written consent from the startup.
- The incubation center will communicate with the mentor and startups to establish mutually agreed upon meeting times and locations.
- Spark incubation center will facilitate communication between the mentor and startups and provide any necessary support to ensure the mentorship relationship is successful.
- Spark may invite the mentor for meetings, sessions and conferences under their auspices in which, in the opinion of either signatory, the mentor has an interest. Invitations shall be subject to the procedures applicable to such meetings or conferences.
- Spark may request the mentor to take sessions on the specified subjects through video conferences. And the information about the program and the

mentorship in general can be shared on social media handles of respective stockholder's social media accounts.

- Spark may request the mentor to take couple of startups to guide, mentor, and support and track the growth of the concerned startup(s).

#### **ARTICLE IV: EXPECTATIONS & BENEFITS**

Under the terms of this memorandum of understanding, the parties seek, within the scope of this agreement to:

- Create mutual understanding of the strategy and incubation needs of both the parties to enable broader understanding for Spark of the benefits and opportunities of working with mentor and assist their understanding of the benefits and opportunities of working with Spark.
- Identify synergies between the parties where they relate to each other's business strategies and common interests.
- Create opportunities for future joint or allied funding of activities and projects which translate science into innovative tools or solutions for use by either party.
- Sharing and development of relevant marketplace for startups.
- Mapping connections and priorities.

#### **ARTICLE VI: SCOPE**

The parties acknowledge and agree that the areas of collaboration are not exhaustive in nature and the parties shall in good faith, negotiate to elaborate upon the areas of collaboration, including additional areas of collaboration as may be mutually agreed and the rights, responsibilities, and obligation of each party in relation to each of the areas of collaboration.

#### **ARTICLE VII: VISIBILITY**

This MOU is not legally binding and can be amended only in writing and subject to agreement by the parties. The parties have decided that neither party will acquire any rights to the intellectual property of the other party under this MOU. The parties recognize that the cooperative arrangements should be publicized.

## ARTICLE VIII: TERM, AMENDMENT & TERMINATION

The proposed cooperation under this MOU is non-exclusive and shall have an initial term of 24 (twenty-four) months renewable unless the MOU is terminated by either signatory upon 15 (fifteen) days' notice, in writing to other signatory. The MOU may be extended by mutual agreement of the parties, reflected in writing.

## ARTICLE X: NOTICES & ADDRESSES

In Witness Where of the parties have executed and delivered this MOU in two original copies in English language as at the day and year first above written at Spark Incubation Center Sagar.

Spark Incubation Center

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Abhijeet Kumar

Seal & Signature

Signature

Authorized Person

Abhijeet Kumar  
Authorized Person

Designation

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Designation : Founder

Date  
Sagar, India  
Place

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Date : 02/10/2023

Place : Mumbai