

## MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR 2015-16

Memorandum of Understanding between Ministry of Culture, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi & the Gandhi Heritage Sites Mission, New Delhi -11 (hereinafter called Gandhi Heritage Sites Mission)

2. This agreement made on 31<sup>st</sup> March, 2015 between the Ministry of Culture as the first party and Gandhi Heritage Sites Mission, an organization under the Ministry of Culture, hereinafter called the second party.

### 3. Ministry of Culture has the following mandate:

- (i) Creation of Gandhi Heritage Sites Mission and appointment of members thereof.
- (ii) To release funds as per the funds allocation made by the Parliament.

### 4. Gandhi Heritage Sites Mission has the following tasks:

- i) Identification, collation and assessment of information on 'Gandhi Heritage' material for its management and deployment.
- ii) The determination of conservation methodology and priorities.
- iii) The holdings: documents and objects, particularly from the point of view of archival storage and museology.
- iv) The physical structures and sites, also guidelines for their subsequent maintenance.
- v) The dissemination of information through a web-based portal, Publications, audio/visuals (CDs, digital prints etc.) and
- vi) The "communication" through the core sites while specifying – where necessary – function and use, and significance of the site.

### 5. Budget / Accounts

Government has sanctioned a budget outlay of Rs. 42.00 crore for five years. It has been decided to make budgetary provision approximately Rs. 10.00 crore each year. Budgetary provision for the year 2015-16 under the Plan Scheme for Gandhi Heritage Sites Mission and Dandi related projects is Rs. 46.42 crore, out of which a sum of Rs. 10.00 crore has been proposed for the Gandhi Heritage Sites Mission. The financial targets / achievements will be reviewed quarterly as given below:-

Rs. in crore					
Head	Budget Estimate	Expenditure up to end of first quarter	Expenditure up to end of second quarter	Expenditure up to end of third quarter	Expenditure up to end of fourth quarter
Plan	10.00	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5

**6. Human resource**

Vacant posts under the Gandhi Heritage Sites Mission to be filled up on contract / outsourcing basis.

**7. Parliament matters**

- (i) Fulfilment of all pending Parliamentary Assurances to be ensured as per schedule.
- (ii) Ensuring implementation of recommendations / suggestions of the Parliamentary Standing Committee.

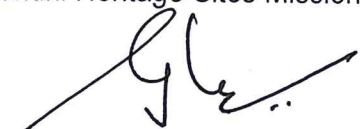
**8. General:**

- i) Regular meetings of all the Committees/Sub-Committees to be convened and conducted on time.
- ii) Mandatory Returns and Reports for the year to be filed in time.
- iii) Disposals of all the applications and appeals under the RTI Act, 2015 to be ensured.
- iv) Ensuring compliance of Raj Bhasa Policy.
- v) Furnishing of the office premises of Gandhi Heritage Sites Mission and shifting office to the new office.

**9. Specific targets for 2015-16:-**

- i) Completion of infrastructure upgradation of the Gandhi Ashram Trust at Noakhali Bangladesh.
- ii) Completion of upgradation work of Gandhi Smarak Sangrahalaya, Barrackpore, Kolkata
- iii) Setting up a permanent exhibit on Mahatma Gandhi at Pietermaritzburg Railway Station, South Africa.
- iv) Creation and Verification of Database relating to Gandhi Heritage Sites for creating a comprehensive list.
- v) Developing the Architectural Framework for the Heritage Sites.
- vi) Procurement of the digital version of the original copies of the "Indian Opinion" from the National Library of South Africa for the year 1930 to 1949.
- vii) Creation of an interactive website for the GHSM and have presence on social media.
- viii) Taking up 10 site related projects under Gandhi Heritage Sites Mission.
- ix) 1 lakh papers to be uploaded on Gandhi Heritage Portal.

Signed on behalf of  
Gandhi Heritage Sites Mission



(Sreya Guha)

Secretary to the Gandhi Heritage Sites Mission

Signed on behalf of  
Ministry of Culture



(Bandana Sharma)  
Director