

**Memorandum of Understanding** 

#### This Understanding Memorandum of (the "MoU") is entered into on January 2016 between aand the

- Commissionerate, Women and Child Development Department, Government of ICDS F 1) Maharashtra having its office address at Raigad Bhavan, CBD Belapur, Navi Mumbai, Maharashtra (hereinafter referred to as "ICDS Commissionerate")
  - Municipal Corporation of Greater Mumbai, having its office at 3rd Floor, Annex Building, (2) Municipal Head Office, Mahapalika Marg, Mumbai - 400 001, (hereinafter referred to as "MCGM")





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Society for Nutrition, Education and Health Action registered under Society Registration Act 31 having its Principal office registered office at 310, 3rd Floor, Urban Health Centre, 60 Feet Road, Dharavi, Mumbai - 400017 (hereinafter referred to as "SNEHA")

and henceforth collectively all are referred to as "parties" to this MoU. WHEREAS, ICDS Commissionerate, Women and Child Development Department, Government of Maharashtra is the primary agency which governs the implementation of schemes for Nutrition & Welfare of women and children with specific focus on their growth, development and nutrition.

WHEREAS, Municipal Corporation of Greater Mumbai, the primary agency and civic body responsible for urban governance in Greater Mumbai providing services in the fields of education, public health, creation of urban amenities, art and culture, heritage conservation, etc. and which provides the public health care in Mumbai covering essential child health and nutrition services of immunization, pediatric care, antenatal and post natal care also institutional as delivery facilities.

WHEREAS, SNEHA – Society for Nutrition, Education and Health Action is a secular, Mumbai - based non - profit organization, SNEHA believes that investing in women's / CHILDREN'S health is essential to building viable urban / RURAL communities. SNEHA targets four large public health areas - Maternal and Newborn Health, Child Health and Nutrition, Sexual and Reproductive Health and Prevention of Violence against Women and Children. SNEHA works at the community level to empower women and slum communities to be catalysts of change in their own right and collaborate with existing public health systems and health care providers to create sustainable improvements in urban health. In the area of child health and nutrition, SNEHA conducts the WHO supported Community Based management of Acute Malnutrition (CMAM) in collaboration with MCGM, ICDS and communities.

This MoU is being entered into by ICDS Commissionerate, MCGM and SNEHA for collaboration, to improve the health and nutrition of women and children in informal urban settlements of Mumbai.

WHEREAS parties in principle agree to form Mumbai Child Health and Nutrition Committee under this convergence model for ensuring achievement of following objectives to improve maternal and child health outcomes:

1. Increase coverage of mothers and children and reaching out to vulnerable pockets.

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2. Effective and efficient use of material and human resources.

3. Focus on vulnerable population.

4. Increase uptake of ICDS and Health services.

5. Recording and generation of complete and accurate data.

# 6. Effective and timely referrals and follow up.

7. Sustained community ownership.





The Mumbai Child Health and Nutrition Committee (MCHNC) would be two tiered. The first tier would comprise of senior decision making officials of ICDS, MCGM and SNEHA and the second tier would comprise of local officials from all three agencies at each municipal ward level for decentralized operationalization of the protocols, M & E system and feedback mechanism. Each of the three parties commits to nominate representatives for both tiers of the committee and ensure their regular attendance. The committee will decide frequency, venue and agenda for the regular meetings.

The roles of the committee will be as follows:

(A) Tier I - This will comprise of senior officials of all three parties

- Development of Standard operating procedures (SOPS) in complete accordance with Govt. of India and Govt of Mahazashtza guidelinee 2 This will comprise under the sorts 1
- (B) Tier II This will comprise ward or project level staff of all three parties:
  - Ensuring implementation of standard operating procedures as defined by Ties I 1.
  - 11. Supervision, monitoring and feedback

A detailed description of activities to fulfill each role is as follows:

Roles of Tier I

Development of standard operating procedures I.

- 1. Select health and nutrition outcomes
- 2. Assess current status of all outcomes
- 3. Define smart objectives and logical framework
- 4. Select intervention strategies required to improve the health and nutrition outcomes 5. Review and Recommend changes to existing protocols, guidelines, policies and
- frameworks if required
- 6. Develop new guidelines and protocols for the collaborated outcomes
- 6. Develop a common and integrated MIS in consonance with ICDS, MOCD MCGM, Munibai.

**Roles of Tier 2** 

## **Ensuring implementation of Standard Operating Procedures**

### 1. Joint capacity building of staff at all levels

- 2. Setting up of new anganwadis and HPs following mapping of the areas. after due approvale
- 3. Planning and coordination for implementation of guidelines.
- 4. Operationalizing of common MIS thus designed AMC (IS)
- S. Mobilization and optimal distribution of resources

- 6. Up gradation of anganwadis Health posts, dispensaries and maternity homes at BMC level
- 7. Ensuring timely health, nutrition and allied interventions to achieve the defined outcomes

## Supervision and Monitoring

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- 1. GIS mapping complemented by social and community resources' mapping
- 2. Matching of coverage by field staff.
- Community based surveillance of all health and nutrition indicators
- Identification and redistribution of underserved vulnerable pockets
- 5. Collation and matching of database
- 6. Generating data outputs to support corrective actions.
- 7. Regular reporting and reviews of health outcomes
- 8. Development of feedback mechanisms. preferably IT based
- 9. Prompt and appropriate follow up action and counseling with necessary stakeholders
- 10. Organizing and presenting at six monthly reviews by a monitoring group headed by the Principal Secretary, DWCD, ICDS Commissioner, AMC, MCGM and Chairperson, SNEHA with action reported on their recommendations

ICDS Commissionerate, MCGM and SNEHA will support the effective functioning of the committee and implementation of SOPs

**General Provisions** 

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- It is hereby expressly made clear that the intention of the parties is not to create binding i. agreement between the parties and no party shall have right to file claim against other party.
- The parties understand that neither this MoU gives any right to any party, nor does it ii. creates a funded partnership, joint collaboration or employment is created as a result of this MoU. This MoU is not intended to create legally binding obligations on either Party. Except as expressly provided by this MoU, no Party will be liable for or bound by any iii. representations, acts or omissions whatsoever of the other party.
- Each Party will bear all of its own expenses necessary to meet its duties and obligations iv. under this MoU. Neither party can create or cause to create any charge against the other party as per this MoU.
- Each party will consult and seek permission prior to interacting with any media ٧.
- All three parties will adhere to the boundaries for data sharing defined by the vi.

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Validity of the MoU Agreement

This MOU will come into effect on date of signature by all three parties and will end after 3 years from the date of signing of this agreement.

Amendment

This MOU may be amended at any time by mutual agreement of the parties in writing. The performance of the committee will be jointly reviewed on an annual basis by Principal Secretary, DWCD; Commissioner, ICDS; Additional Municipal Commissioner, MCGM and Chairperson, SNEHA Board of Trustees. It shall be reviewed one month before the end of three years or at a time mutually agreed

by the parties for possible renewal or extension.

#### Continuity

The Committee will be able to deliver on its objectives only if there is ensured continuity in representation by all three parties, regular attendance in meetings and sustained action. In the event of a change in appointment of the committee representatives from ICDS Commissionerate, MCGM and SNEHA, a handover to the new representatives will be done by the outgoing persons and the existing committee members to ensure continuity in the ongoing work.

#### Termination

ICDS Commissionerate, MCGM or SNEHA may terminate this agreement after giving the due notice of 30 days to the other two parties.

In witness whereof, the parties have caused this Memorandum to be executed through their authorized representative on the day and year first above written.

For and on behalf of:

**ICDS** Commissionerate

MunicipalCorporationofSNEHA (Society for NutritionGreater MumbaiEducation and Health Action)



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For SNEHA (Society For Nutrition Education & Health Action)

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