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National Council for Vocational Education and Training
Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship
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To,

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Subject: Letter of Intent for considering grant of a provisional recognition status as Awarding Body Dual Category (AB-Dual) to the applicant body by NCVET - Reg.

1. Kindly refer to your application seeking recognition for the state of **Uttarakhand** as an **Awarding Body-Dual (AB-Dual)**.
2. The Guidelines for Recognition and Regulation of Awarding Bodies were brought out by the National Council for Vocational Education and Training (NCVET) on 27th October, 2020. The application for seeking recognition as an Awarding Body has been examined as per the norms and procedures prescribed under the Guidelines. After undertaking detailed scrutiny and evaluation in NCVET, the final review was undertaken by the Sub Committee of NCVET, empowered by the Council to consider the grant of **AB-Dual** recognition for the state of **Uttarakhand**.
3. Based on the above review, NCVET by virtue of the functions and powers of NCVET notified by gazette notification No. SD-17/113/2017-E&PW dated 05th December, 2018 under Section 16(1) (a) 'recognize, monitor, discipline and de-recognize awarding bodies', is pleased to issue this Letter of Intent (LoI) for granting the provisional recognition as an **AB-Dual** to **Uttarakhand Open University**. This LoI is valid for the duration of 90 days only from the date of issuance, i.e., till 18th May 2025 subject to the following conditions:
    a. Submit Qualification/s developed by the applicant body for the National Skills Qualification Committee (NSQC) approved within 90 days from the date of issue of this letter.
    b. Submit a list of NSQF aligned Qualifications developed by your body duly approved by the NSQC (National Skill Qualifications Committee), clearly mentioning the validity date of each of these qualifications for which the recognition is being sought.
4. It will also be obligatory on the part of the applicant body to sign an Agreement with NCVET as required under Section 25 (2) of the NCVET gazette notification. The agreement shall be signed by the authorised signatory of the applicant body. The copy of this Agreement to be signed for award of regular recognition shall be shared by NCVET after fulfilment of the conditions mentioned in Para 3 above by the applicant body. This Agreement shall be an instrument of legally binding arrangement between the NCVET and the Awarding Body by which the Awarding Body would

agree to comply with the provisions contained therein with respect to itself, its affiliated third parties and also the provisions contained in the Guidelines for 'Recognition and Regulation of Awarding Bodies' and Operational Manual published by the NCVET under Section 16(1)(g) of the NCVET gazette notification.

5. It may be noted that this LoI is only for granting a provisional recognition for the territories, sectors and qualifications being handled by you as an awarding body, subject to the fulfilment of conditions mentioned in Para 3 above only for the purpose of functioning as an **AB-Dual** in the interim period before the award of the regular recognition.

6. The NCVET shall consider the award of regular Recognition status as an **Awarding Body-Dual Category** to your applicant body for specific territories, sectors and approved list of qualifications from the date of signing the agreement between the applicant body & NCVET after completion of all requirements as mentioned in para 3 and 4 above.

(Col. Gunjan Chowdhary)
Director, NCVET