

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

BETWEEN:

Rizvi Education Society's Rizvi College of Education, Recognised by NCTE (NCTE College Code:123005) & Affiliated to University of Mumbai with its college located at Campus of Rizvi Springfield High School, Govind Patil Marg, Khar Danda, Khar West, Mumbai-400052.

AND: ARPAN a registered Public Charitable Trust by legal status and conviction. (Registered under the Bombay Trust Act, Registration No. E 24873 dated 25/03/2008), with its office located at Arpan House, Delta Chemicals Pvt Ltd., J-1, Cama Industrial Estate, Off. Val Bhatt Road, Goregaon (East), Mumbai – 400 063.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual conversation set forth herein and intending to be bound, the parties hereto agree as follows:

Introduction of Partners:

RES's Rizvi College of Education started in 2003 under the aegis of Rizvi Education Society. In a span of twenty successful years, Rizvi College of Education has made a remarkable progress in the educational fraternity and has emerged as a premier institute creating teachers equipped with the latest trends and technologies in education. It provides dynamic training programs that empower teachers to meet the challenges in the ever changing global scenario. With its vision of creating globally competed teachers, the college focusses on the development of skills required for a 21st century teacher through a supportive learning environment of highest standards.

Arpan is an award-winning organisation working hard to address the issue of child sexual abuse in India. Based in Mumbai, Arpan is the largest NGO in India addressing this issue with over 120 professionals providing prevention and intervention services to children and adults. Arpan's key project is educating children and adolescents (age 4 years to 18) about personal safety in schools so that they can identify and seek help in an unsafe situations. The organization has also launched www.arpanelearn.com, a free e-learning portal for children with structured online courses so that all the course content traditionally delivered in the classroom can be delivered online. Arpan trains and empowers teachers, and parents with knowledge, attitude, and skills to prevent and deal with Child Sexual Abuse and uses advocacy and research to push for policy and systemic change at the local, state, and national level. Since 2007, Arpan has impacted over 2.9 million (29 lakh) children and adults. The organisation has received six national and two international awards, including the WISE award in 2019.

Collaboration Areas:

Arpan and RES's Rizvi College of Education hereby enter into collaboration:

The broad areas of partnership between the Parties are mentioned below:

1. Capacity building of the student teachers of RES's Rizvi College of Education to enable them to create strong safety and support networks around children in their respective environments. All student teachers who attend the training will go on to conduct the Personal Safety Education Programme with children and their caregivers.
2. To share resources and combine competencies.
3. To enhance the impact and increase reach.

Arpan's Deliverables:

1. Arpan will conduct training on Understanding CSA and Personal Safety Education for RES's Rizvi College of Education.
2. Arpan will provide a soft copy of the Personal Safety Education kit to be shared after implementing the TOT.
3. Arpan will provide mentoring for the student teachers through regular Focused Group Discussions (FGDs) to address any challenges that they may face during the implementation of the Personal Safety Education Programme.

RES's Rizvi College of Education Deliverables:

1. RES's Rizvi College of Education will confirm dates and time for the training at least 15 days in advance, and ensure the presence of all the student teachers on those dates.
2. RES's Rizvi College of Education will ensure that the student teachers are present each day of the training as per the timing shared with them.
3. RES's Rizvi College of Education will ensure that the student teachers will take the work forward and roll out the program to respective communities, learning centres, etc. and provide pre-planned schedules for PSE implementation within one month of the training.
4. This training is for adults, i.e. those above the age of 18. In case of in-person/offline training, provide a venue to conduct the training sessions. Ensure that the training venue has proper audio-visual facilities and that the venue is comfortable for the student teachers.
5. In case of student teachers attending Arpan's training from their homes, please advise them to either use earphones or to ensure that children are not around them during the training.
6. RES's Rizvi College of Education will acknowledge Arpan's resources and provide due credit.
7. RES's Rizvi College of Education will support any evaluation study that Arpan wants to conduct with training participants for understanding the impact of Arpan's training and resources on CSA.

Reporting:

To ensure that this partnership brings value to both organizations, a structured reporting system will be introduced, and both parties hereby agree to adhere to the said reporting system.

1. RES's Rizvi College of Education will share the training indirect data with respect to the sessions conducted by their team based on the training received by Arpan.
2. RES's Rizvi College of Education needs to refer any Child Sexual Abuse (CSA) cases to Arpan, they will first need to check with Arpan's team if they are able to take that case at the given point in time.
3. If Arpan's team accepts any case referred by RES's Rizvi College of Education, further details of case progression will not be shared with RES's Rizvi College of Education unless the counsellor deems it necessary.
4. In case Arpan takes on a case and needs help in terms of accessing the child, and coordination with the school/family, then RES's Rizvi College of Education will support them as and when required.
5. The Parties are required to maintain utmost confidentiality and privacy while dealing with cases of child sexual abuse that are identified. Both parties will ensure that the name or any other identifiers of the child are not shared with anyone other than those people with whom it is required to support the child, such as the child's trusted adult, a counsellor, or any official for legal resource, etc. Case referrals are to be done via Arpan's helpline number. No case referrals can be done via emails, WhatsApp, or any other written forms to maintain confidentiality.

Duration and Termination:

This MOU is at will and may be modified by mutual consent of authorized officials from RES's Rizvi College of Education and Arpan.

This MOU shall be deemed to have come into force and effect from 27th September 2023 upon signing and shall remain in force till one year unless modified or terminated by any Party. This MOU can be further renewed by the Parties upon mutually agreed terms and conditions.

The Parties may terminate this MOU by mutual agreement. Either Party may terminate this MOU by providing 1 (One) months' notice in writing to the other Party.

Intellectual Property ("IP"):

Arpan is the sole and exclusive owner of all the rights, title and interest in the intellectual property including but not limited to trademarks, label marks, copyrights, designs, etc. of the resource material. This resource material is governed by the detailed terms and conditions available on <https://creativecommons.org/licenses/by-nc-sa/4.0/legalcode> and the simplified version of the same for quick understanding is available on <https://creativecommons.org/licenses/by-nc-sa/4.0/>.

Please note that the resource material you are accessing has been developed after years of piloting with thousands of children and adults and also after conducting evaluations to test efficacy. Given the sensitivity of the topic, the changing landscape of understanding and the varying contexts of applying the knowledge shared in the resource material, please write to us for prior consent when you modify it.

Please also write to us to access the latest version of the resource material given that we update it periodically.

Governing Laws:

This MOU shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of India. The courts in Mumbai shall have exclusive jurisdiction.

This MOU is hereby executed by:

Name: Dr. Spoty Manoj Karthik

(Authorised signatory of RES's Rizvi College of Education)

Position: Principal I/C

Signed: 

Date: 27.09.2023

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