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Professor Javaid Akhter Registrar Aligarh Muslim University

Re: Indo-US Center for STEM Education and Research (the "Center")

Professor Akhter:

We are in receipt of your request to re-affirm our office's commitment to the goals of the Memorandum of Agreement ("MOA") between The Ohio State University ("Ohio State") and the Aligarh Muslim University ("AMU") effective November 11, 2013. We are certainly happy to confirm that we continue to fully support the goals stated in the MOA.

Provided all activities are conducted in accordance with Ohio State policies and procedures and applicable laws, and subject to appropriate internal review, our office is supportive of the following:

- OSU-AMU external funding proposals to government agencies in India and the U.S.;
- Tax-free donations to The Ohio State University Foundation;
- Support for the Center through the India Gateway in Mumbai;
- Support for the Center from the Ohio State Alumni Association or other interested groups;
- Initiation of the process to renew the MOA;
- Recognition of Professor Anil Pradhan as the Ohio State U.S. Project Director as stipulated in the MOA;
- Periodic reports from Center Directors and Co-Directors for oversight and review.

We value our international collaboration with AMU tremendously and hope that this collaboration will continue. If you have specific thoughts for additional activities or enhancements that may add to the value of this collaboration we are certainly receptive to new ideas. We do respectfully caution that activities beyond the scope of the currently existing MOA may require additional signed written agreements.

Thank you so much for your support and work with The Ohio State University over the last four years. We look forward to many more years of working with you.

Sincerely,

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