

Terms & Conditions (that form a part of the undertaking to be signed by the applicant organization):

- We hereby certify that all the information provided in the GuideStar India Certification Application form as well as the information provided and documents submitted by my organisation on www.guidestarindia.org and email are true and correct.
- ❖ We understand that we can apply for ONLY ONE LEVEL and that we can fill ONLY ONE APPLICATION FORM. We understand that only the application form submitted first will be reviewed. We may or may not qualify for the level we applied for, and that we may be awarded the key/ badge/ seal of a lower category or may not get any certification, depending on the criteria complied with.
- We understand that from the date of submitting the GuideStar India Certification Application Form online, we have to complete the process of online submission of information and documents within 5 working days, else our form will be rejected. In case our NGO is not registered on www.guidestarindia.org at the time of applying for the certification, our application will be verified first for eligibility to be registered on www.guidestarindia.org and if we are registered and allotted a GuideStar Number, we will be given 5 days to complete the remaining steps.
- ❖ We understand that GuideStar India will provide training and capacity building support to undergo the due diligence process for certification. This comprises 3 telephonic/ online interactions, a help PPT and email support.
- ❖ We understand that the certification application form is valid for the time limit specified for each level and we will complete the documentation and required clarification within this period. There will be a specified number of interactions for review of our application and the entire process is to be completed within the specified time limit after which our application will be cancelled automatically. Refer to section titled 'Time Limit' given on page 3 for details.
- We understand that GuideStar India may display our verification report along with NGO name on their website, and if they receive any complaints they may suspend or cancel the certification with intimation to the organisation and give us an opportunity to provide clarifications. Our certification may be restored if it is found that the complaint was not valid. GuideStar India's decision will be final and binding.
- ❖ If certified, we will display the key/ badge/ seal on our website and other communication material and provide a link to our information on www.guidestarindia.org. If certified, we will display the key/ badge/ seal and certificate without any modifications.
- ❖ We understand that all information provided will be displayed on the GuideStar India website. We understand that GuideStar India will share the list of Certified NGOs and information provided, with anyone interested in NGO information. Such information may be provided with or without cost to the person seeking the information.
- We certify that our organisation has not been blacklisted by any donor/ funding agency/ grant making organisation/ statutory authority.

- We hereby declare that our organisation is not blacklisted or rejected or subjected to any adverse action by any government department or by any government agency.
- We hereby certify that our organisation does not employ or deal with any entities or individuals known by our organisation to support terrorism.
- Our organisation has 12A registration under the Indian Income Tax Act, and it is currently valid.
- Our organisation complies with all conditions stated in our 12A, 80G (if applicable), 35AC (if applicable) and FCRA (if applicable). We shall inform GuideStar India immediately in the event of any suspension/ cancellation.
- Our organisation works in areas defined as "charitable in nature" under the Indian Income Tax Act.
- Our governing board ensures that all reporting requirements are met and are in compliance with the Societies Registration Act/ applicable Trust Act/ Indian Companies Act. Organisation has filed returns as specified by Act/Authorities applicable to it for the Financial year 2015-16.
- We hereby declare that our organisation is in compliance with all applicable laws including the Income Tax Act and FCRA (if applicable).
- We hereby declare that our organisation complies with its own rules & regulations as specified in its Trust Deed/ MOA/ AOA/ Constitution/ Bye Laws.
- Our activities are in line with the Vision, Aim and Objectives of the organisation as stated in our Trust Deed/ MOA/ Constitution.
- Our Governing Body composition is as per our Trust Deed/ MOA/ AOA/ Constitution and as per applicable laws.
- We undertake to provide any clarification within one working day during the certification process.
- We understand that the evaluation for the certification is an objective process. We understand that the decision of GuideStar India in all matters regarding the certification will be final and binding.
- We understand that submission of the online form indicates that we have read these terms and conditions and have accepted them.

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