



विश्वविद्यालय अनुदान आयोग University Grants Commission

(मानव संसाधन विकास मंत्रालय, भारत सरकार) (Ministry of Human Resource Development, Govt. of India)

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Dear Sir/Madam,

The Hon'ble President of India has launched National Academic Depository (NAD) in National Convention on Digital Initiatives for Higher Education held on 9th July, 2017 at Vigyan Bhawan, New Delhi.

National Academic Depository (NAD) is an online store house of academic awards (degrees, diplomas, certificates, mark-sheets etc.) lodged by the academic institutions/boards/eligibility assessment bodies in a digital format. It is a 24x7 online mode for making available academic awards and shall help in validating their authenticity, their safe storage and easy retrieval. NAD is comprising two interoperable digital depositories namely NSDL Database Management Limited (NDML) and CDSL Ventures Limited (CVL). These digital depositories shall keep the academic awards in the digital format and ensure data integrity.

The Government of India has designated University Grants Commission (UGC) as an authorised body for implementation of NAD Project. UGC vide its letter of even no. dated 24th November,2016 requested to all the Central Universities, Institutions of National Importance, State Universities, State funded Deemed to be Universities and IIMs to enter into a Service Level Agreement (SLA) with either of the depositories for on-boarding on NAD. UGC had also advised Higher Educational Institutions to designate Nodal Officers and set up NAD cell for implementation of NAD.

You are again requested to establish NAD cell and enter into a Service Level Agreement (SLA) with either of the depositories as early as possible. The template of SLA which is approved by National Steering Committee on NAD is available on NAD website i.e <u>nad.gov.in</u> for your ready reference.

Your co-operation in this regard is solicited.

With regards, sincerely

To the Vice Chancellors of Central /State /Deemed to be Universities/ Institutes of National Importance.

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