

MODEL GOVERNANCE FOUNDATION

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for
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Part I. Statement of Continued Support by the Chief Executive

To our stakeholders:

I am pleased to confirm that Model Governance Foundation reaffirms its support to the United Nations Global Compact and its Ten Principles in the areas of Human Rights, Labour, Environment and Anti-Corruption. This is our Communication on Engagement with the United Nations Global Compact. We welcome feedback on its contents.

In this Communication of Engagement, we describe the actions that our organization has taken to support the UN Global Compact and its Principles as suggested for an organization like ours. We also commit to sharing this information with our stakeholders using our primary channels of communication.

Sincerely yours,

Umesh Kumar

Chairman and ManagingTrustee

Part II. Description of Actions

Model Governance Foundation has undertaken wide range of activities which promote the Ten Principles of United Nations Global Compact. Few of them are as follows:

- 1. Organized Samvaad 2017, a 3-day youth conference at Ramanujan College (University of Delhi), New Delhi from 30th June 2nd July, 2017. Samvaad is a platform where distinguished luminaries from the fields of politics, business, academia, entertainment, journalism and sports will come together and share the stage with the leaders of tomorrow, engaging them in a dialogue while motivating them to reach out to their paramount potential in pursuit of solutions to the challenges that besiegetheworld. It aimstofosterleadershipqualities amongst students and young professionals by opening a cross-cultural dialogue on issues of national and international relevance.
- 2. Organized **Vote for India** campaign with the aim to increase political participation of common citizens of India. This campaign urged people to go out and vote in the 2018 State Assemblies Elections and the 2019 Lok Sabha Elections.
- 3. Organized 2nd Law, Policy & Governance School (formerly known as Model Governance Summer School) at International Youth Hostel New Delhi from 29th June 1st July, 2018. The school was an intensive full-time program, and consist of at least 60 contact hours, generally taking the form of 30 hours of interactive lectures, 10 hours of group discussions and 20 hours of student-led teamwork sessions facilitated by the tutors. The following themes were covered: Governance, Law and Public Policy, Research Methodology, Leadership, and Entrepreneurship.
- 4. Supported the following programmes Indian Law Conclave 2018 & 2019 Editions, Indian Leadership Conclave 2019 Edition and The Citizens' Townhall Lucknow 2019 Edition.
- 5. Celebrated **World Environment Day, Earth Day & Earth Hour** in 2017, 2018 & 2019 in our office premises and raised awareness online.
- **6.** Received a Certificate of Commitment from **Central Vigilance Commission, India** for our pledge to contribute in a Corruption Free India Movement.
- 7. Our representatives attended various meetings and conferences organized by UN Global Compact Local Chapter, Confederation of Indian Industry, Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce and Industry and World Economic Forum to engage with various stakeholders.
- **8.** Constant engagement with various stakeholders through our blog, publications, social media pages, meetings and conferences.

Part III. Measurement of Outcomes

Our initiatives and activities have yielded both quantitative and qualitative outcomes.

- 1. 150+ delegates from 50 colleges participated in Samvaad 2017 and 2nd Law, Policy & Governance School 2018.
- 2. We have engaged with 1000+ volunteers through our various initiatives and online internship programmes. After completion of their active tenure, the volunteers become our alumni and promote our commitment towards Ten Principles of UN Global Compact in their workplaces, universities, and cities.
- **3.** We have engaged with 15,000+ people through social media and email newsletters to raise awareness about Ten Principles of UN Global Compact amongst various stakeholders. Furthermore, our website has 55,000+ unique visitors during this period.

In the near future, we look forward to engage with more stakeholders, our focus will be to engage with Business Participants and Educational Institutions for research, awareness, sharing of best practices, and commentary on COE activities.