August 6, 2020

Dear Equivalency Determination ("ED") Applicant**: SAKSHAM**

We appreciate your responsiveness to NGOsource's ED process. We are pleased to inform you that we have completed our analysis. We were able to certify that your organization is equivalent to a U.S. public charity. A certificate for your organization is now available in our repository for NGOsource grantmaker members.

SAKSHAM's Equivalency Determination certification is valid through March 31, 2022.

<u>Can I have a copy of my organization's ED certificate?</u> No, the ED Certificate and related documentation are not available to NGOs. This is because the ED may only be relied upon by the specific grantmaker who requested it, and only for a limited validity period. It is not a blanket stamp of approval that allows any entity to fund a non-U.S. organization. The ED certificate indicates the same and it cannot, by law, be shared among other grantmakers. The certificate is only made available to the U.S. grantmaker who requested it.

<u>The NGOsource Repository</u>: NGOs that receive an ED certification from NGOsource appear in our repository.   This means that grantmaker members can request your organization's ED certificate in their name for a small processing fee. In other words, less paperwork, less repetition, and less hassle for your organization.

<u>Fast</u>: NGOsource can send your certificate to other grantmaker members within one business day. That's fast!

TELL YOUR FUNDER ABOUT NGOSOURCE!

We encourage you to inform your U.S.-based funders that you have completed the ED process with NGOsource. NGOsource certifies EDs for U.S. grantmakers so they can meet their tax compliance requirements and give to your organization with fewer restrictions. If the grantmaker is not yet a member of NGOsource, our team would be pleased to speak with them and answer any questions they might have at info@ngosource.org.

As an organization with a certification from NGOsource, you are also eligible to use the NGOsource badge code (attached in your confirmation email) on your website to let others know about your status. This is helpful to display both during your ED's validity period and after it expires, because the process to renew an expired ED is fairly simple. Please note that any future U.S. funders must still go through NGOsource to access the ED for your organization.

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We encourage you to ask your organization's website administrator to embed the HTML code into your website. When an individual clicks on the badge on your site, they will be led to an informational page describing how NGOsource works.

If you choose to post the badge on your website, please follow these guidelines:

- Use the badge as provided, without alterations.
- Embed using source HTML format wherever you want the badge to appear.
- This badge exists solely for your purposes as an organization with an ED in the NGOsource repository. Please do not share the badge code with another organization.

Renewal Process:

The process to renew or extend your organization's ED certification must be initiated by an NGOsource grantmaker member. The grantmaker(s) who previously requested an ED for your organization will be notified before your ED expires. If and when a grantmaker chooses to renew your organization's certification, your organization will be notified immediately. We encourage you to log in as soon as you receive your login credentials and update the information required to renew your organization's certification.

Feel free to email if you have any questions or concerns at info@ngosource.org or refer to our FAQ page.

We wish your organization all the best!

Regards,

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