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Witness 1 _____ Signature; _____

2. _____ Name; _____

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I, _____, Secretary, NCERT, on behalf of

NCERT do sign this Agreement on this day _____ of _____ 200

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