

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

This memorandum of understanding (“MOU”) is executed at New Delhi on 14TH September 2021 (“Execution Date”) between

Department of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare, Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare having its registered office at Krishi Bhawan, Rajendra Prasad Road, New Delhi, India-110001 (hereinafter referred to as “**Department of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare**” which expression shall, unless it be repugnant to the context or meaning thereof, be deemed to include its successors and permitted assigns);
Department of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare, Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi-10001,

AND

Jio Platforms Limited, a company incorporated under the Companies Act, 2013 and having its registered office at 101, Saffron Near Centre Point, Panchwati 5 Rasta, Ambawadi, Ahmedabad Gujarat 380006, INDIA (hereinafter referred to as “**Jio**”, which expression shall, unless it be repugnant to the context or meaning thereof, be deemed to include its successors and permitted assigns).

BACKGROUND:

- (A) The **Department of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare (DA&FW)**, a branch of the Government of India, is the apex body for formulation and administration of the rules and regulations and laws related to agriculture in India. The three broad areas of scope for the Department of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare. Department of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare, responsibilities are assigned to it in the Government of India (Allocation of Business) Rules, 1961 as amended from time to time. Co-operation in this context refers largely to promote farmer co-operative movements. The Department’s focus has now shifted to improving the farmers’ welfare and a goal has been set to double the farmers’ incomes. The administrative head of the DA&FW is the Secretary of the department.
- (B) Jio and/or its Affiliates are in the business of providing digital and IT services and owns and controls the “JioKrishi” Platform that provides services including but not limited to (a) creating a data-driven farmer ecosystem; (b) enable analysis of the soil conditions of agricultural plot of land owned by the farmers; (c) enable analysis of the irrigation needs of the agricultural plot of land owned by the farmers; (d) provide farmers with educational videos; and (e) help farmers connect with agricultural experts who would answer their queries
- (C) The Parties recognise the capabilities, interests, and resources that each Party brings; and are exploring the possibility of bringing together their capabilities and resources to further the joint ambitions in implementing digital agriculture platform with solutions in farm management and farmer services that can directly help farmers as provided in Exhibit A. (the “Project”). The focus is to build Agri Platform, evolve National Farmer’s database, and create a unified agri platform for farmers to provide them end to end digital services across the agriculture food value chain to support Govt’s vision of Doubling Farmer’s Income. This would further enable in bringing together the larger ecosystem of stakeholders including MSME’s to build solutions for farmers on the common data platform owned by States and Central ministries.