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Subject: Participation as "GATI Charter Institution" in the GATI pilot Initiative of DST

Dear Prof. Talat Ahmad

As you are aware Department of Science & Technology under the agies of KIRAN Division has launched a programme called Gender Advancement for Transforming Institutions (GATI). The GATI aims to bring about institutional reforms to attract, recruit, retain and promote women into scientific laboratories and institutions of higher educations. Under GATI, a Charter for Gender Equality in STEM for India will be developed to bring transformation in policies to empower women.

The Call for Expression of Interest for a Pilot GATI programme had an overwhelming response as we received a very large number of applications. Using a rigorous selection criterion based on data provided by the institutions and several other parameters, a total of 30 institutions have been selected for participation in the GATI pilot.

I am pleased to inform that your institution has been selected for participating in the pilot of GATI. I shall be thankful if you could communicate your acceptance to be a participant by sending a Letter of Consent in the format attached herewith. The same may please be signed and sent through email latest by Tuesday the 27th April 2021.

Joining the GATI Pilot will entail endorsing the *GATI Charter* and also accepting the *GATI Terms and Conditions* which would be sent soon for your further reference. It is also requested to communicate the name of the nodal officer with contact details, as identified from your institute, to coordinate with DST's GATI team.

We look forward to your participation in the pilot as a GATI Charter Institution.

With warm regards

Yours Sincerely

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To Prof. Talat Ahmad The Vice Chancellor University of Kashmir Srinagar-190006, Jammu & Kashmir