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Dear Sudhanshu,

In June 2018, ICANN and NASSCOM COE-IOT entered into a Memorandum of Understanding (“MOU”) to foster collaboration between our organizations; and a Sponsorship Agreement to advance the collaboration envisioned under the MOU.

In furtherance of the objective of the MOU, and to ensure a positive outcome for the established IPv6 for Internet of Things (IOT) research project (hereinafter referred to as the “Research Project”) which, as defined in the aforementioned Sponsorship Agreement, is envisioned for the public benefit and the findings of which will be freely available to the public, we look forward to working closely with NASSCOM COE-IOT on the Research Project.

Thank you for NASSCOM COE-IOT’s commitment to have ICANN nominate points of contact to be part of the Research Management Team (RMT) to design and manage the Research Project, with all of the responsibilities as set out in **Annex**.

Thank you for NASSCOM COE-IOT’s commitment to regularly provide updates to ICANN on the usage of the sponsorship funds.

ICANN understands that if there are any additional expenses required for the Research Project (such as incidentals), ICANN and NASSCOM COE-IOT will explore the possibility of co-funding such additional expenses, as mutually agreeable and feasible.

ICANN understands that the duration of the Research Project will be from 1 August 2018 to 31 July 2019.

If ICANN and NASSCOM COE-IOT wish to continue collaborating on another research project at the end of duration of the Research Project, leveraging on any unutilized funds from ICANN’s sponsorship for this Research Project, we can agree to do so.

In the event that either NASSCOM COE-IOT or ICANN finds that its support and involvement in the Research Project is no longer possible on the terms identified in this exchange of letters, ICANN agrees that NASSCOM COE-IOT or ICANN may rescind their commitments reflected in this exchange of letters upon sixty (60) days written notice delivered by one party to the other.

Thank you for NASSCOM COE-IOT’s commitment that should NASSCOM COE-IOT terminate the Research Project prior to the end of the stated duration, NASSCOM COE-IOT will return the unspent amount of the ICANN’s sponsorship funds (after all expenditure has

been reconciled and a final account has been prepared), within thirty (30) days of the termination.

Nothing contained in this letter shall give rise to any liability, monetary or otherwise, by either one of us to the other.

We look forward to a successful and mutually beneficial relationship with the commencement of the Research Project.

Yours sincerely,



Jia-Rong Low
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IPv6 for IOT Research Project: Roles and Responsibilities

No.	Activity	Responsibilities	Remarks
1	Establish Research Management Team (RMT)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - NASSCOM appoints Point of Contact(s) Sudhanshu Mittal, Directory – Industry 4.0 - ICANN appoints Point of Contact(s): Samiran Gupta, Head of India; Matt Larson, VP Research, Office of CTO; Alain Durand, Principal Technologist, Office of CTO. 	
2	Designate Research Project Manager to lead Research Team	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - RMT designates Research Project Manager with jointly agreed Job Description and Project Description. - Research Project Manager reports to RMT. - NASSCOM would contract with Project Manager and manage the Project Manager’s payroll, according to the applicable laws in India. - In consultation with RMT, Project Manager to refine description of project, establish timeline and resource plan. 	<p>Project Manager envisioned to be part-time consultant with technical expertise.</p> <p>Budget expected: US\$20K</p>
3	Establish Research Team (RT)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Project Manager to engage and put together researchers (e.g. master’s / doctoral students / graduates and university faculty.) - RT embarks on research according to established timeline and resource plan. - RT to update RMT periodically as agreed - Facilities required to be provided by NASSCOM or at partnered university. - NASSCOM would contract with the RT and disburse any funds as required for their work, according to the applicable laws in India. - NASSCOM to setup testbed at suitable location 	<p>Budget expected: US\$40K</p> <p>Estimated cost of testbed to be <US\$10,000;</p>

4	RMT to further explore Industry/stakeholder partnership	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- NASSCOM to promote the partnership centre's research program in NASSCOM or relevant forums and within industry- NASSCOM to approach industry to join in some of the future efforts-NASSCOM and ICANN to jointly look for opportunities to showcase the research through publishing papers, articles- NASSCOM to provide the government connects to the partnership centre's programs	Budget expected: US\$20K
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