THE GANDHIGRAM RURAL INSTITUTE

(Deemed to be University)

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Sub: Implementation of DigiLocker-NAD and Academic Bank of Credits - reg.

Ref.: Vice Chancellor's Approval dated 07.04.2022

The Ministry of Education, Government of India has designated the University Grants Commission (UGC) as an authorized body to implement National Academic Depository (NAD) as a permanent scheme without levy of any user charges in cooperation with the DigiLocker as a single depository of NAD.

National Academic Depository:

The National Academic Depository (NAD) is a 24x7 online storehouse for all academic awards, such as certificates, diplomas, mark sheets and so on, that have been officially digitized and registered by academic institutions. It enables simple access to retrieval of an academic award and confirms and assures its validity and secure preservation.

DigiLocker-NAD:

DigiLocker is a flagship initiative of Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology, Government of India under Digital India programme. DigiLocker aims at 'Digital Empowerment' of citizen by providing access to authentic digital documents to citizen's digital document wallet.

DigiLocker-NAD provides a secured dedicated repository service to Academic Institutions to host their academic awards data and is available at https://nad.digilocker.gov.in. It has the facility to pull student's Degree/Mark sheet and other documents into the issued documents section in an electronic form once uploaded through DigiLocker-NAD platform by the original issuer.

This DigiLocker-NAD allows Academic Institutions to upload academic awards data and students to view their academic awards. Students can access their digital academic certificates issued on DigiLocker-NAD by using their DigiLocker account.

The Gandhigram Rural Institute has successfully registered in DigiLocker-NAD and Academic Bank of Credits (ABC).

Academic Bank of Credits:

As per the National Education Policy-2020, the Academic Bank of Credits (ABC) has been envisaged to facilitate the academic mobility of students with the freedom to study across the Higher Education Institutions in the country with an appropriate "Credit Transfer" mechanism from one program to another, leading to attain a Degree/ Diploma/ PG-Diploma, etc. ABC shall deposit credits awarded by registered institutions into students' ABC accounts, and the Academic Bank of Credit(s) can only be shared from registered or authorized institutions.

Academic Bank of Credits has been established on the lines of the National Academic Depository (NAD), in the sense, NAD is the backbone of ABC, where the students' academic data are held and academic awards are stored (i.e. storehouse of academic awards). Despite the fact that ABC enables students to register or commence credit transfer, the final outcomes of credit redemption and issuance of certificates, as well as the compilation of award records, are administered by academic institutions via the NAD Platform.

All the Students are informed to register themselves in DigiLocker-NAD through https://digilocker.gov.in or by DigiLocker mobile application. The procedure to create DigiLocker account is enclosed in 'Annexure-A'. Separate communication will be sent after uploading the academic awards in DigiLocker-NAD platform.

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To

- 1. All the Deans/HoDs/Directors/Coordinators of GRI
- 2. Academic Section

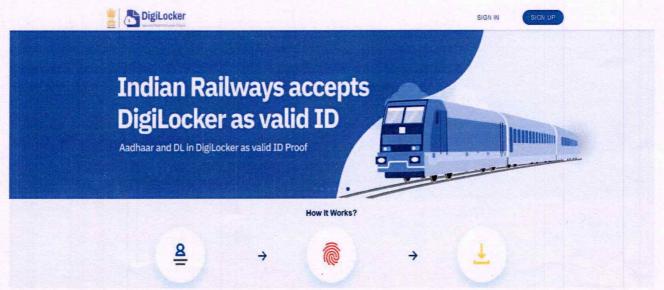
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- 1. The Director i/c, Computer Centre With a request to upload this circular in intranet mail and 'Student Corner' of our institute website.
 - 2. PS to VC/PS to Registrar/File

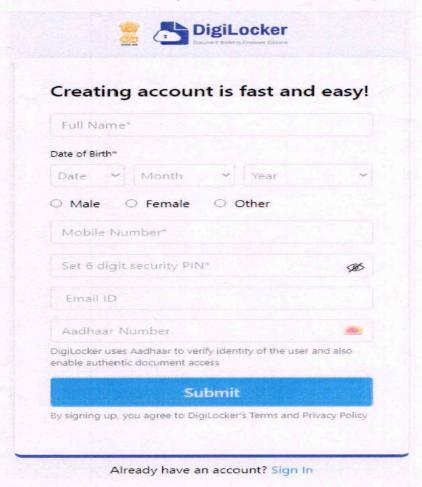
ANNEXURE-A

Steps to be followed to create DigiLocker Account

Step-1: Go to the URL https://digilocker.gov.in. Home page appears as shown below.



Step-2: Click on **SIGN UP** which is in the top right corner of the home page of DigiLocker website. If you click on **SIGN UP** button then you will be redirected to the page as shown below.



- Step-3: After fill up all the required fields (Full Name, Date of Birth & Mobile Number should be matched with your Aadhaar Card details), click **submit** button. Then you will be asked for OTP to verify your identity. After verification, your DigiLocker account will be created successfully.
- **Step-4:** After creation of your DigiLocker account, you can **SIGN IN** into your DigiLocker account in any one of the below two ways,
 - > Sign in by Aadhaar/Mobile Number and 6 digit security PIN

Sign In to your account!	
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Aadhaar/Mobile Number*	
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Sign In	

➤ Sign in by Username and 6 digit security PIN

Sign In to your account!	
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