

# Commercial Contract

## Copyright Assignment

### Agreement



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## **Legal Services, SMEDA-Punjab**

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## **Copyright Assignment Agreement**

**This Copyright Assignment Agreement** (hereinafter referred to as the "Agreement") made and entered into at \_\_\_\_\_ (insert place) on this \_\_\_\_ (insert date) day of \_\_\_\_\_ (insert month) 20\_\_ (insert year),

### **By and Between:**

M/s [insert Name], a public/private company incorporated under the Companies Ordinance, 1984, having its registered office at [insert Address] through its [insert Designation], Mr/Mrs/Ms [insert Name];

**OR**

M/s [insert Name], a partnership concern of Mr/Mrs/Ms [insert Name] and Mr/Mrs/Ms [insert Name], having its place of business at [insert Address] through its Partner, Mr/Mrs/Ms [insert Name];

**OR**

M/s [insert Name], a sole proprietorship concern of Mr/Mrs/Ms [insert Name], having its place of business at [insert Address] through Mr/Mrs/Ms [insert Name];

**OR**

Mr/Mrs/Ms [insert Name], son/wife/daughter of [insert Name], r/o [insert Address] CNIC # [insert Number]

(Hereinafter referred to as the "**Assignor**", which expression shall, wherever the context so provides, include its successors, assigns, nominees and agents)

**AND**

M/s [insert Name], a public/private company incorporated under the Companies Ordinance, 1984, having its registered office at [insert Address] through its [insert Designation], Mr/Mrs/Ms [insert Name];

**OR**

M/s [insert Name], a partnership concern of Mr/Mrs/Ms [insert Name] and Mr/Mrs/Ms [insert Name], having its place of business at [insert Address] through its Partner, Mr/Mrs/Ms [insert Name];

**OR**

M/s [insert Name], a sole proprietorship concern of Mr/Mrs/Ms [insert Name], having its place of business at [insert Address] through Mr/Mrs/Ms [insert Name];

**OR**

Mr/Mrs/Ms [insert Name], son/wife/daughter of [insert Name], r/o [insert Address] CNIC # [insert Number]

(Hereinafter referred to as the "**Assignee**", which expression shall, wherever the context so provides, include its successors, assigns, nominees and agents)

(The Assignor and the Assignee are hereinafter collectively referred to as the "Parties", and individually as the "Party").

**Whereas** Assignor is the owner of the copyright(s) in the works identified as the following, and hereinafter collectively referred to as the “**Copyright(s)**”:

**Schedule –A**

<b><u>Sr. No.</u></b>	<b><u>Nature/Class of Copyrights Under Copyright Ordinance, 1962</u></b>	<b><u>Registration Number</u></b>
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**And Whereas** the Assignee wishes to acquire the entire rights, title, and interest in the Copyrights in perpetuity.

**Now Therefore**, the Parties have entered into this Agreement on the following terms and conditions:

**1. Assignment**

- (1) The Assignor does hereby irrevocably assign to the Assignee all rights, title and interest (including but not limited to registration rights with respect to the copyrights, all rights to prepare derivative works publishing thereof, all goodwill and all other rights in and to the copyrights) against consideration as provided according to the provision of subject agreement regarding the above mentioned class and registration number of schedule – A of this agreement.
- (2) The Assignor agrees to provide the Assignee with all documents related to the Copyright(s), copyright certificate(s), plans, audio visual and written works, if any.

**2. Consideration**

- (1) The Assignor shall transfer the ownership, rights and title in the Copyright(s) to the Assignee against a consideration of Rs. \_\_\_\_/ (Rupees \_\_\_\_\_) (insert amount) (hereinafter referred to as the “Consideration”) to be paid by the Assignee to the Assignor.
- (2) Of the Consideration Amount, the Assignee shall pay an amount of Rs. \_\_\_\_\_/- (Rupees \_\_\_\_\_) (insert amount) to the Assignor at the time of execution of this Agreement in the shape of cheque / Cash.

### **3. Representations and Warranties**

(1) The Assignor represents and warrants to the Assignee:

- i. that the Assignor has the right, power and authority to enter into this Agreement;
- ii. that the Assignor is the exclusive owner of all right, title and interest, including all intellectual property rights, in the Copyrights;
- iii. that the Copyright(s) are free of any liens, security interests, encumbrances or licenses;
- iv. that the Copyright(s) do not infringe the rights of any person or entity;
- v. that there are no claims, pending or threatened, with respect to Assignor's rights in the Copyright(s);
- vi. That the Assignor is not subject to any agreement with any other party, judgment or order inconsistent with the terms of this Agreement.

### **4. Governing Law and Exclusive Jurisdiction**

This Agreement and the rights and obligations of the parties hereunder shall be governed by, and construed and interpreted in accordance with, the laws for time being enforced in Pakistan.

### **5. Resolution of Disputes**

Any dispute, controversy or claim arising out of or relating to this Agreement or the breach, termination or invalidity thereof, shall be settled by arbitration in accordance with the applicable law of Pakistan.

### **6. Force Majeure**

**6.1** Force Majeure shall mean any event that is beyond the reasonable control of a Party, or the effects of which adversely affect the performance by such Party of its obligations under this Agreement, including, but not limited to, acts of God, sabotage, insurrection, terrorism, riots, hostilities or war (whether declared or not), acts of the public enemy, civil disturbances, any kind of fire, explosion, flood or accidental damage, epidemics, landslides, washouts, lightening, storms, earthquakes, lockouts, blockades, shortage of labor or material, major equipment failure, or other causes beyond the control of the Party affected.

**6.2** Notwithstanding anything contained hereinabove, neither Party shall be liable to the other if it is unable to perform any of its obligations under this Agreement due to the occurrence of Force Majeure.

**6.3** The Party affected by the Force Majeure event shall be entitled to suspend performance of its obligations under the Agreement to the extent that such performance is impeded or made impossible by the events of Force Majeure.

**6.4** Each Party shall give a notice within [insert number] days of the occurrence of the event of Force Majeure and shall promptly thereafter consult the other Party for the purpose of finding a mutually acceptable solution to the Force Majeure event.

## **7. Indemnification**

If either party is found to be in breach of this Agreement, the offending Party will indemnify the offended Party for any losses accrued as a result of the breach. Lost profits incurred as a result of any such breach shall be repaid by the offending Party to the offended Party.

## **8. Severability**

If a court of law finds any provision of this Agreement invalid or unenforceable at law for any reason, the remainder of this Agreement shall not be affected, and shall be interpreted so as best to effect the intent of the Parties.

## **9. Agreement to Perform Necessary Acts**

The Assignee hereby agrees and undertakes to perform any further acts and execute and deliver any documents that may be reasonably necessary to carry out the provisions of this Agreement.

## **10. Entirety of Agreement**

This agreement will be considered in totality and contains the entire understanding of the Parties to the agreement hereto with respect to its subject matter and supersedes all prior or contemporaneous written or oral agreements, representations or warranties between them respecting the subject matter hereof.

## **11. Non Waiver**

The failure of either Party to exercise any right provided in this Agreement shall not be construed as a waiver (When one party gives up their right), its right of both the parties to subsequently enforce such provision or any other provision of this Agreement within stipulated time provided under this agreement.

**12. Effective Date**

This deed of agreement shall be effective from the date -----day----month----year.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, the Parties hereto have set their hands and seals the day, month and year mentioned hereinabove.

\_\_\_\_\_  
**For and on behalf of the Assignor**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**For and on behalf of the Assignee**

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

CNIC / Passport # \_\_\_\_\_

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**WITNESS # 1**

**WITNESS # 2**

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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