

DIGITAL DEFENDERS NETWORK

Code of Conduct

This Agreement between the Participant, Mr/Mrs _____ and Software Freedom Law Center, India, ["SFLC.in"] [collectively referred to as "parties"] constitutes the terms on which the parties will collaborate for the purposes of participation to the Digital Defenders Network ["Network"]. Each Participant ["Digital Defender(s)"] who is successfully selected to be a part of the Network must comply with the following terms and conditions. Participation to the Network of the Digital Defenders shall be subject to, and contingent on, the compliance with the terms of conduct mentioned herein-under:

1. Digital Defenders shall participate in the Network for a minimum period of 1 year from the end of the training program.
2. Digital Defenders shall only undertake any form of grievance redressal as part of the Network, when communicated, in writing, by SFLC.in.
3. Digital Defenders understand and agree that any activity undertaken under the Network shall be in a pro-bono capacity. Further, they understand that they are not employees or representatives of SFLC.in and will not make any statement or claim to third parties, or in the public domain, including social media, that they represent SFLC.in. They understand and agree that they are only part of the Digital Defenders Network which is a pro-bono initiative of SFLC.in.
4. Digital Defenders shall not charge any fees from a Digital Defender, or any other person, as part of performing their responsibilities and duties as part of their association with the Network and SFLC.in.
5. Digital Defenders shall not charge any fees from citizens for undertaking any form of grievance redressal, legal or otherwise, as part of their association with the Network and SFLC.in.

6. Digital Defenders undertake that all communications initiated on the online communications platform provided by SFLC.in, shall pertain only to discussions related to the scope of the Network.
7. Digital Defenders undertake that all communications that are conducted between the Digital Defenders on the common communications platform provided by SFLC.in, shall be respectful, civil, and courteous of each participant's opinions and views.
8. Digital Defenders shall ensure that SFLC.in <digitaldefenders@sflc.in> is marked on all communications with citizens with whom they are coordinating for any digital rights violation as part of the Network.
9. Digital Defenders undertake to represent the pro-bono redressal of violations of digital rights faced by citizens with the utmost sincerity and integrity.
10. Digital Defenders shall not hold any charge, responsibility or liability against SFLC.in in regard to communications, actions, omissions, or any activity undertaken by the Digital Defender in the absence of written and specific approval by SFLC.in, or in contravention of any direction by SFLC.in.
11. Digital Defenders shall be solely liable for any misdemeanors, transgressions, violations, breaches, infringements or infractions of any rules or regulations, statutes, laws in force, and the present Code of Conduct instituted by SFLC.in.
12. Digital Defenders shall respect and abide by the laws of the jurisdiction to which they are subject.

SIGNATURE: _____

DATED: _____