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Dear Secretary,

As you are aware, Open Network for Digital Commerce (ONDC) has been initiated by the Department for Promotion of Industry & Internal Trade (DPIIT), Ministry of Commerce & Industry, Government of India, aiming to democratize digital commerce in India. Ever since its inception, ONDC has made significant strides in all areas of digital commerce.

In a bid to enable more people to experience this network, ONDC has launched an e-gift card scheme that organisations/ enterprises can use for corporate gifting and employee engagement, starting this festive season. The beneficiaries would be able to access the cultural richness of India by owning pieces of craftsmanship steeped in Indian heritage. From vibrant and authentic threads of Kanchipuram Silk Sarees, a curated collection of Blue Pottery, Tanjore Paintings, Brassware, Filter Coffee from Kalimpong, and many more, ONDC Network is bringing Indian innovation and scale together, like never before. Every purchase made on ONDC Network, will empower and encourage the first-time and small-scale sellers of the country to do business digitally.

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In this regard, I would like to request you to bestow your personal attention to kindly promote the use of ONDC Network e-Gift Cards for this festive season among organisations/ enterprises within your ministry/ department.

Kindly refer the annexure (attached) for further details on the e-gift card issuance process and service providers. Ms. Aditi Singha, Vice President, ONDC (aditi.singha@ondc.org) may be contacted for clarifications, if any.

Yours sincerely,

Encl: As above.

(Rajesh Kumar Singh)

All Secretaries to Govt. of India (as per list attached).

### Annexure - 1

#### **About ONDC**

Open Network for Digital Commerce (ONDC), is initiated by the <u>Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade</u> ('DPIIT'), Government of India to develop digital <u>e-commerce</u>.

Key objectives for ONDC are decentralization and democratization of commerce, inclusivity, and access to smaller sellers and MSME's, increasing choices for customers and making commerce more efficient.

ONDC in collaboration with issuers of e-gift cards is launching a Gift Card Program wherein ONDC will only facilitate the issuance of e-gift cards to various sponsor organizations. The details are as follows:

### About ONDC Network e-Gift Card

The program enables any **Sponsor Organization**<sup>1</sup> to distribute a pre-loaded e-gift card to its employees as a reward or incentive instrument or for festival e-gifting.

These e-gift cards are exclusively redeemable across ONDC Network-enabled **Buyer Applications**<sup>2</sup> for products sold via ONDC Network-enabled sellers.

# Key features of the ONDC Network e-Gift Card:

- 1. Virtual Card with appropriate branding
- 2. E-gift cards can be loaded for a maximum amount of INR 10,000 and can be loaded only once by the sponsoring organization.
- 3. Cards can work on any payment network<sup>5</sup> (Rupay, Mastercard, Visa, UPI) once the network enables the program- Rupay is the first payment network to enable this program.
- 4. E-gift cards have a validity of one year from the date of issuance.
- 5. The funds lie with the RBI PPI licensed e-Gift Card issuer4
- 6. Unused funds, at the end of 1 year are returned to the Sponsor Organization.

Sponsor Organizations can purchase Virtual E-gift Cards from any RBI – PPI Licensed E-gift Card Issuer.

## Process for ONDC Network e-Gift Card Issuance

Step 1	Contact e-Gift Card provider(s) - details of provider SPOC's in the table below	
Step 2	Agree on Legal & Commercial Arrangement with e-Gift Card Provider	
Step 3	Step 3 Define beneficiary communication & distribution process with the e-Gift Card provider(s)	
Step 4	Execute e-Gift Card issuance & distribution via provider dashboards	

List of ONDC Network e-Gift Card Providers enabled on RuPay Card initially. Other providers will be live shortly.

e-Gift Card Issuer	Contact Person	Email ID
Yes Bank	Tarun Khaneja	tarun.khaneja@yesbank.in Contact Number - 9167272984
Omni Card	Abhinav Saxena	abhinav@eroute.in Contact Number - 8447057722
Will be live shortly		
Pine Labs	Vasu Kolluru	vasu.kolluru@qwikcilver.com
RazorPay	Sanchit Agarwal	sanchit.agarwal@razorpay.com
Other PSU Banks		

## List of Buyer Apps Enabled

Buyer App	Contact Person	Email ID		
Pincode	Mayank Bagaria	mayank.bagaria@phonepe.com		
MyStore	Mohini	mohini.mehendiratta@hippoinnovations.com		
PayTm	Saloni Malhotra	saloni.malhotra@paytm.com		
Magic Pin	Kunal Gupta	kunal.gupta@magicpin.in		
Will be live shortly				
Spice Money	Rajiv Kapoor	rajiv.kapoor@spicemoney.com		
Airpay	Neha Churi	neha.churi@airpay.co.in		
Kotak	Amit Bhardwaj	amit.bhardwaj3@kotak.com		
Eunimart	Shayak Mazumder	shayak.mazumder@eunimart.com		

#### Glossary

- **1. Sponsor Organization:** A legal entity (a Corporate, PSU, etc.) that funds the issuance of E-gift Cards for its employees or partners.
- **2. Buyer Applications:** Retail applications are onboarded on ONDC Network as Buyer Applications selling at least a single category of products.
- **3. Payment Gateway:** PG used by the respective buyer apps, checks for ONDC Network E-gift Card usage by card BIN whitelisting and passes the buyer app's MID + TID values to the E-gift Card issuer during the transaction.
- **4. Providers of e-Gift Cards:** These are banks, and fintech companies that are RBI-licensed issuers of Pre-Paid instruments in India. Providers/ Issuers are responsible for issuing E-gift Cards, holding the funds, and validating if the transaction initiated on the buyer app is via the ONDC network. ONDC and issuers of e-Gift Cards will sign a legal agreement clearly defining the roles & responsibilities, liability and commercials.
- **5. Payment Network:** Payment Networks such as RuPay, MasterCard, and Visa provide the underlying technology to e-Gift Card issuers and authenticate transactions between issuers and acquiring banks. These networks issue the Virtual Card BINs to issuers.

# **Annexure 2**

The ONDC Network as of today has 72,000+ Sellers and more than 1 Crore Products, onboarded. Though, each seller has different variants and categories of products. Here is a list of samples of products that you can purchase from different sellers on the ONDC network:

S. No	Product	Description	Product Link
1	Millet Cookies	Nutritious cookies sourced from Aland, Karnataka's FPOs.	https://www.mystore.in/en/product /finger-millet-cookies-200-gm
2	Boat Wireless Earphones	Sleek wireless earbuds with immersive sound quality and quick connectivity.	https://www.mystore.in/en/product /ae4a003bb21eae250748ab2efc2 b54a1
3	Kanchipuram Saree	Traditional sarees directly from Kanchipuram weavers, supported by SIDBI.	https://www.mystore.in/en/product/pink-kanchipuram-silk-saree-9-yard-saree
4	Premium Shaving Kit from Bombay Shaving Company	Precision safety razor and grooming essentials from Bombay Shaving Company.	https://www.mystore.in/en/product /311bc4cce724a649761abc17c72 af631
5	Sambalpuri Saree	Colorful and artistic Sambalpuri saree with unique designs.	https://www.mystore.in/en/product /mayura-rupa-jugala-sambalpuri- saree
6	Soul Flower Hexagon Rose Gift Set	Handpicked beauty and care products in a funky, reusable box.	https://www.mystore.in/en/product /916f239d008587695765ea89887 cdbc2
7	Mix Fruit Jam	Delicious jam made by ARYAHI FED FPOs in UP.	https://www.mystore.in/en/product /mix-fruit-jam
8	Beautify Panda Soft Cushion	A cute, comfortable and safe panda cushion for babies learning to sit.	https://www.mystore.in/en/product/soft-sofa-seat-or-comfortable-soft-cushion-sofa-panda-
9	Aazol Jaggery Chikki Bar	Healthy and energizing chikki bar made with coconut and jaggery, made in traditional Konkan style.	https://www.mystore.in/en/product/beb6835051bb6a58331bab11ed/cd0862
10	Tribes India Multi Colour Small Lantern	Handcrafted mosaic lanterns by Meena Tribal craftsmen of Rajasthan	https://www.mystore.in/en/product/tribes-india-multicolor-small-lantern

11	Skullcandy Wireless Headphones	Experience powerful bass and personalized sound with Skullcandy Crusher Evo.	https://www.mystore.in/en/product/skullcandy-crusher-evo-wireless-over-ear-headphone-with-rapid-charge-personal-sound-app-and-built-in-tile-finding-technology-with-mic-black-
12	Shambhu Handicrafts: Hand Painter Showpieces	Hand-painted set of Rajasthani folk musicians' showpieces made by the artisan of Rajasthan.	https://www.mystore.in/en/product/shambhu-handicrafts-handpainted-set-of-3-rajasthani-folk-musicians-standing-showpieces-home-and-office-decor-table-decor-drawing-room-decor-gift-item
13	Boat Sound Bar	Aavante Bar 1280 for immersive audio experiences and cinematic sound.	https://www.mystore.in/en/product /73d08b6bb9a8738ed74bc25b58 cc06df
14	Vega Foldable Hair Dryer	Experience the ultimate in hair drying, Get salon-quality results on the go – your perfect hair companion!	https://www.mystore.in/en/product /vega-galaxy-1100-watts- foldable-hair-dryer-with-heat-and- cool-setting-and-detachable- nozzle-vhdh-06-color-may-vary-1
15	Mitsu Honey	Pure honey sourced from West Bengal farmers.	https://www.mystore.in/en/product /mistu-honey-thumbai-leucas- aspera-