

AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF
INDIA AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF CYPRUS
ON CULTURAL COOPERATION

The Government of the Republic of India
and
The Government of the Republic of Cyprus

Considering the friendly relations existing between
the two countries; and

Desirous of concluding an agreement to provide
for the promotion of cultural relations and mutual
cooperation in the cultural, educational and
scientific fields,

Have agreed as follows:

Article 1

The Contracting Parties shall facilitate
and encourage cooperation in the fields of culture,
education including academic activity in the fields
of science and technology, mass media, sports, arts,
and archaeology, in order to contribute towards a
better knowledge of their respective cultures and
activities in these fields.

Article 2

The Contracting Parties will endeavour to
promote the establishment and development of close
relations and cooperation between their respective
authorities, organisations and institutions, by
means of :

- (a) exchange of scientists, teachers and
officials from their respective Ministries;
- (b) exchange of scholarships for graduate and
post-graduate studies and research in
universities or other institutions;
- (c) exchange of artists, writers, experts and
specialists in all the fields covered by
this Agreement and participation in inter-
national congresses, conferences, symposia
and seminars; and
- (d) exchange of books, printed material, docu-
ments, publications and audio-visual aids,
concerning culture, education, sports,
science, arts and archaeology.

Article 3

The Contracting Parties have agreed to encourage familiarisation with the history, literature, arts and other fields of culture of the two countries. Both Parties shall encourage the translation and publication of books published in their countries.

Article 4

Both Parties agree on the importance of the mutual recognition of diplomas, degrees and certificates of studies and to this end, they shall study jointly the requirements and seek the necessary means for reaching mutual recognition and equivalence.

Article 5

The two parties have agreed to encourage collaboration in the field of archaeology. For this purpose, both Parties will provide every possible facility to archaeologists visiting the other country for experience and training purposes.

Article 6

Both Parties have agreed to present different facets of the life and culture of the other Party through the media of radio, television and press. With this end in view, the two Parties will exchange films, documentaries, radio and television programme recordings, tapes, etc., and they will encourage direct contacts between their respective radio and television organisations by exchanging visits of officials and experts in this field.

Article 7

The Contracting Parties have agreed to encourage the exchange of art and other exhibitions, musical, dance and theatre ensembles, folklore groups, as well as the participation in international festivals including film festivals held in the two countries.

Article 8

Both Parties will promote cooperation and exchanges between their respective youth and sports organisations.

Article 9

The Contracting Parties will facilitate, in accordance with their respective laws, visits of tourists to each other's country, in order to promote closer understanding and friendship between the two peoples.

Article 10

The two Parties wish to strengthen the existing relations between their respective National Commissions for UNESCO as well as those relations between the delegations of their countries in international organisations of cultural, educational and scientific character.

Article 11

Both Parties agree that the provisions of this Agreement do not exclude cooperation in any cultural, educational and scientific field the two Governments may agree to pursue.

Article 12

For the purpose of implementing the present Agreement the Contracting Parties have agreed to prepare Programmes of cooperation valid for a period of three years setting forth the detailed forms of cooperation and exchange.

The Programmes of cooperation shall be prepared and negotiated by a mixed commission which shall meet alternately in New Delhi and in Nicosia. The meetings will be arranged through the diplomatic channels before the expiry of each programme.

Article 13

This Agreement shall come into force on the date of exchange of the instruments of ratification. It shall remain in force for a period of 5 years, being thereafter automatically renewed for successive periods of five years, unless denounced in writing through the diplomatic channels by either Contracting Party six months in advance.

Done at New Delhi on this 2nd day of
Kartika, 1902 (Saka) corresponding to 24th day of
October, 1980 (A.D) in two originals, in Hindi
and English languages, both texts being equally
authentic.

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