

CULTURAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT
OF THE REPUBLIC OF INDIA AND THE PROVISIONAL
MILITARY GOVERNMENT OF SOCIALIST ETHIOPIA

The Government of the Republic of India and the Provisional Military Government of the Socialist Ethiopia (hereinafter referred to as the 'Contracting Parties')

INSPIRED BY a common desire to establish and develop closer cultural relations, and

DESIROUS OF promoting and developing in every possible manner the relations and understanding between India and Ethiopia in the realms of art, culture, education (including academic activity in the fields of science and technology), sports, public health and mass media of information and education (including films, T.V., radio and press)

HAVE AGREED to conclude the following agreement:

ARTICLE 1

The Contracting Parties shall facilitate and encourage cooperation in the fields of art and culture, education (including academic activity in the fields of science and technology), sports, public health and mass media of information and education (including films, T.V., radio and press) in order to contribute towards a better knowledge of their respective cultures and

activities in these fields.

ARTICLE 2

The Contracting Parties shall encourage and facilitate:

- a) reciprocal visits of professors and experts for delivering lectures, study tours and conducting special courses;
- b) reciprocal visits of representatives of educational, literary, scientific, technical, artistic and sports' associations and organisations and participation in congresses, conferences, symposia and seminars;
- c) exchange of materials in the fields of culture, science, education, sports; and exchange of books, periodicals and other educational, scientific, technical, cultural, sports publications and wherever possible, exchange of art specimens; and
- d) reciprocal facilities in regard to visits by archaeologists to enable them to gain experiences of excavation, preservation and display of archaeological finds, and for training purposes; and also in regard to exchange of specimens or casts. *li*

ARTICLE 3

Each Contracting Party shall endeavour to provide facilities and scholarships to students and scientific personnel of the other country seeking to study in its institutions of higher education and research.

ARTICLE 4

Each Contracting Party undertakes to examine the conditions under which the diplomas, certificates and university degrees awarded in the other country can be recognised for purposes of study in its own educational and other institutions.

ARTICLE 5

Each Contracting Party shall endeavour 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 shall exchange suitable materials and programmes.

ARTICLE 6

The Contracting Parties shall facilitate and promote:

- a) exchange of artists, and dance and music ensembles;
- b) exchange of art and other exhibitions;

- c) exchange of films, documentaries, radio and television programme recordings and recordings on discs and tapes; and
- d) exchange of experts in the fields of cinematography and participation in each other's International Film Festivals.

ARTICLE 7

The Contracting Parties shall encourage visits of sports teams between the two countries and shall facilitate, subject to the national laws and regulations in force, their stay and movements in their respective territories.

ARTICLE 8

The Contracting Parties shall, to the extent possible, ensure that text-books prescribed for their educational institutions, particularly those relating to History and Geography, do not contain any error or misrepresentation of facts about each other's country.

ARTICLE 9

Each Contracting Party shall welcome the establishment in its territory of cultural institutes or friendship associations devoted to educational and cultural pursuits by the other Contracting Party, or

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the Contracting Parties jointly. Such institutes and associations shall be established in accordance with the laws, regulations and general policy of the host country, it being understood that prior clearance of the host Government would be obtained before any such institute or association is established under this Article.

ARTICLE 10

For the fulfilment of the objective of the present Agreement, a Joint Committee consisting of an equal number of representatives designated by each of the Contracting Parties may be established when considered necessary. The Committee shall meet as may be mutually agreed upon alternatively in Addis Ababa and New Delhi.

The Committee shall be responsible for advising the respective Governments in formulating concrete programmes of exchanges to be carried out in the fields envisaged in the present agreement and for reviewing periodically the operation of such programmes. The Committee shall also advise the concerned Governments as to the manner in which the working of the Agreement may be improved upon. *ES*

ARTICLE 11

The present Agreement shall come into force on the date of the exchange of the Instruments of Ratification. It shall remain in force for a period of five years and shall be renewed automatically thereafter for further periods of five years each until either Contracting Party gives to the other a six months prior notice of its intention to terminate the present Agreement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the duly authorised representatives of the Contracting Parties have affixed their seals thereto.

DONE and signed at Addis Ababa this 9th day of February 1983 in duplicate in Hindi and English languages, both the texts being equally authentic except that in case of doubt the English text shall prevail.

FOR THE GOVERNMENT OF
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