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CULTURAL AND EDUCATIONAL COOPERATION AGREEMENT

BETWEEN

THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF INDIA

AND

THE GOVERNMENT OF THE SULTANATE OF OMAN

The Government of the Republic of India and the Government of the Sultanate of Oman (hereinafter referred to as "two parties of the agreement")

Inspired by the desire to promote and strengthen the existing friendly relations and to serve the mutual interest between their countries in the fields of education, youth, culture, health and scientific research. Have agreed on the following :

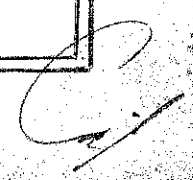
ARTICLE (1)

The two parties of the agreement will encourage and promote cooperation in fields of culture, education, sports, health and academic scientific research and exchange of information, researches and experts in all these fields and the details will be agreed through diplomatic channels.

ARTICLE (2)

The two parties of the agreement shall define through their specialized authorities the equivalence of the certificates and the scientific degrees which are awarded by their institutions.

For this purpose they shall exchange the necessary information, programmes and the curricula concerning schools, universities and higher education institutions through the diplomatic channels.



ARTICLE (3)

The two parties of the agreement will offer scholarships and seats to students of the other party desiring to follow-up their studies, researches and training in literature and science in universities, higher scientific and industrial institutions according to the existing abilities. The details will be agreed through diplomatic channels.

ARTICLE (4)

The two parties of the agreement shall establish cooperation between the educational and cultural organisations of the two countries and also exchange visits by the heads of these organisations.

ARTICLE (5)

The two parties of the agreement shall exchange professors and teachers in various stages of education to teach, lecture and prepare studies according to the existing abilities. The details will be agreed through diplomatic channels.

ARTICLE (6)

The two parties of the agreement shall encourage and develop the following :

1. exchange visits of (a) music and (b) folk arts teams.
2. exchange of (a) sports teams and (b) delegations from educational and training institutes.
3. the Government of India will afford to the Government of the Sultanate of Oman on priority basis, access to copies of historical documents which relate to the latter in accordance with the archival practices and if permissible under the laws of India.

Similar access will be afforded by the Government of the Sultanate of Oman to the Government of India in respect of historical documents related to India.

4. training of individuals in the renovation of ancient monuments, historical buildings and in manuscripts.

5. exchange of experts and scientists in fields of monuments and museums.

6. exchange of cultural and art exhibitions.

ARTICLE (7)

A joint committee shall be formed of representatives equal in number from the two parties of the agreement. It will meet periodically once every two years alternatively in New Delhi and Muscat at the request of either one of the parties according to the mutually accepted time. It will meet to draw up executive programmes for the agreement every two years and also will review it and advise the concerned Governments for its implementation.

ARTICLE (8)

The implementation of this agreement will be in accordance with the laws in force in each of the two countries.

ARTICLE (9)

This agreement shall be authenticated by the concerned authorities and according to the laws effective in the two countries. This agreement shall remain in force on the date of exchange of the authenticated documents for a period of five years, and shall be renewed for a similar period unless one of the two parties of the agreement declares its desire to terminate it by giving a written notice to the other party of its intention six months before its expiry.

ARTICLE (10)

This agreement has been drawn in three copies in Hindi, Arabic and English languages. In the event of any dispute regarding its interpretation the English version of the agreement shall prevail.

Signed at Muscat on 8th day of Saravan 1913
(Saka) corresponding to 22nd day of Muharram month of 1412

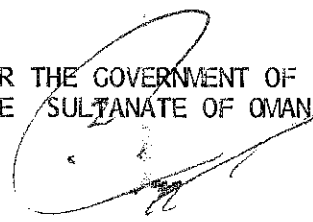
(Higra) and 3rd day of August month of 1991(A.D.)

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