

**Memorandum of Scientific and Educational Co-operation between
The Ministry of Human Resource Development
in the Republic of India
and
The Ministry of Higher Education
in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia**

As an expression of the desire of the Ministry of Human Resource Development in the Republic of India and the Ministry of Higher Education in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia (hereinafter referred to as the two parties) to strengthen the existing cordial relations between the two countries and to increase the level of co-operation in the scientific and educational fields, have entered signatures to the present memorandum in accordance with the principles of equality and mutual benefit within the legal framework and enforced laws and regulations of both countries and available means, in accordance with the following terms:

Article One

The two parties shall encourage visits between officials in the higher education, teaching faculty, and researchers, and co-operate in the fields of mutual interest. They shall also encourage the exchange of delegations in the scientific and educational fields.

Article Two

The two parties shall encourage direct scientific and educational communication among their respective academic and research institutions, and shall encourage the exchange of teaching faculty and researchers and their secondment.

Article Three

The two parties shall encourage the exchange of expertise and experiences in scientific, technological, and administrative fields in the higher education institutions, universities, and research centers.

Article Four

The two parties shall encourage co-operation in the fields of scientific and applied research, especially information technology, computer sciences, mathematics, and science. They shall also encourage the establishment of joint research teams, and work to exchange the findings of researches and studies.

Article Five

The two parties shall work to allow opportunities for personnel training in the institutions of higher education and universities in both countries, especially in technical, medical, and technological fields.

Article Six

The two parties shall encourage co-operation among the universities of both countries in academic fields, and shall exchange information on the recognition of undergraduate and postgraduate diplomas and academic degrees for the purpose of mutual recognition, as well as exchange information on the educational systems.

Article Seven

The two parties shall encourage the exchange of academic scholarships and grants according to available means. They shall also encourage student visits.

Article Eight

The two parties shall encourage the study of medicine and allied medical sciences in the universities and medical centers, and work to remove obstacles in this matter, assisting students to acquire postgraduate admissions.

Article Nine

The two parties shall encourage holding university cultural weeks and days in the academic and educational institutions in both countries that include lectures, symposia, and book exhibitions.

Article Ten

The two parties shall encourage the exchange of books, publications, leaflets, periodicals, documents, computer programs, films, and all the sources related to higher education and scientific research.

Article Eleven

The two parties shall encourage participation in local and international meetings, conferences, symposia, and workshops held in both countries, provided that they inform each other of such events well in advance.

Article Twelve

The two parties shall work to provide access to and benefit from historical manuscripts, records, and documents available in their possession, and exchange experts in this field.

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Article Thirteen

The two parties shall encourage the translation and publication of each other's distinguished scientific and literary works.

Article Fourteen

The two parties shall encourage mutual support for each other's language, literature, and history.

Article Fifteen

The two parties agree to discuss – if necessary – an implementation program for this memorandum, with coordination with the Saudi-Indian Joint Committee.

Article Sixteen

The two parties agree not to use the information exchanged between them except for its intended purpose in accordance to what they agreed upon. Each party confirms not to convey any exchanged piece of information to a third party without the prior written consent of the other party.

Article Seventeen

This memorandum enters into force on the date of the last notification via diplomatic channels on the completion of the necessary legal procedures.

Article Eighteen

This memorandum is valid for five years starting on the date of its effectiveness. It is renewed automatically for one or many similar periods, unless one party informs the other in writing of the request to terminate it at least six months before the expiration date. In case of termination, the provisions of this memorandum shall remain effective for programs and projects that were carried out under its framework, or those that have not yet been completed, or the duties that originate from this memorandum and have not yet been settled in accordance with its provisions.

This memorandum is written in the city of New Delhi on 15 Shawwal 1427(H), corresponding to 6 November 2006 in two original copies, each in Arabic, Hindi, and English, all texts being equally authentic. In case of any divergence of interpretation, the English text shall prevail.

Handwritten signature
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