# MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF INDIA AND

# THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION, SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY OF THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA ON EXCHANGE AND COOPERATION IN THE FIELD OF EDUCATION

The Ministry of Human Resource Development of the Republic of India and the Ministry of Education, Science and Technology of the Republic of Korea (hereinafter referred to as "the Sides");

Desiring to strengthen bilateral relations between the two countries in the field of education;

Considering the profound impact of education on human resource, economic and social development;

Becognizing that greater linkages in the field of education will be mutually beneficial to the two countries;

Recalling the purpose of the Agreement on Cooperation in the field of Culture between the Government of the Republic of Korea and the Government of the Republic of India signed on 12th August, 1974;

Have reached the following understanding:

# Paragraph 1

1. Both Sides will endeavor to promote, as appropriate, contacts and cooperation between the educational institutions of the two countries, based on their respective academic and educational needs.

- 2. This Memorandum of Understanding will be carried out within the framework of the respective laws and regulations of the two countries.
- 3. This Memorandum of Understanding will not create any legal or financial obligations for the Sides.

### Paragraph 2

The cooperative activities under this Memorandum of Understanding in the field of education will take the following forms;

- i) exchange of research material, publications, educational literature, teaching aids, demonstration material and information;
- ii) organization of joint conferences, exhibitions and seminars;
- iii) organization of joint research programmes and publications;
- iv) organization of training programmes for educational administrators and teachers;
- v) exchange of academic and other administrative staff of educational institutions;
- vi) exchange of scholars, teachers, experts and students;
- vii) twinning arrangements between institutions of higher learning;
- viii) development of bilateral programmes between institutions of educational excellence in technical, vocational and higher education;
- ix) examination of the possibility of mutual recognition of educational qualifications;
- x) setting up of chairs of contemporary studies;
- xi) providing scholarships for further education in recognized institutions of higher learning;

- xii) providing mutual assistance in the fields of information technology, computer science, mathematics & science;
- xiii) cooperation between the two Sides to enhance the area of ICT in Education for K-12 and higher education; and
- xiv) any other activities that may be jointly decided by both Sides.

### Paragraph 3

The substance, scope and implementation of cooperative activities carried out under this Memorandum of Understanding may be set out in more specific arrangements concluded between selected institutions in the two countries.

### Paragraph 4

The costs arising from the cooperative activities under this Memorandum of Understanding will be borne as jointly decided by both Sides and activities under this Memorandum of Understanding will be subject to the availability of financial resources of the Sides.

## Paragraph 5

- 1. Both Sides will establish a Joint Working Group to be in charge of the implementation of this Memorandum of Understanding.
- 2. The Joint Working Group will be co-chaired, by a representative of the Ministry of Human Resource Development of the Republic of India and by a representative of the Ministry of Education, Science and Technology of the Republic of Korea and will be composed of representatives of both Sides, along with the representatives of other relevant educational agencies of the two countries, as appropriate.
- 3. The Joint Working Group will meet alternately in the Republic of India and the Republic of Korea as the Sides may jointly decide, to review the cooperative activities carried out under this Memorandum of Understanding.

### Paragraph 6

- 1. This Memorandum of Understanding may be amended by the mutual written consent of the Sides.
- 2. Such amendment will come into effect on such a date as may be jointly decided upon by the Sides.

### Paragraph 7

- 1. This Memorandum of Understanding shall come into effect on the date of signature by both Sides.
- 2. This Memorandum of Understanding shall remain in effect for a period of three (3) years and shall be automatically extended for successive periods of two (2) years, unless either Side notifies the other, in writing, of its intention to terminate the Memorandum of Understanding at least six (6) months prior to the expiry date of the relevant period.

Signed at New Delhi on 12th December 2012 in two original copies.

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