

**AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT
OF INDIA AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE
REPUBLIC OF CUBA ON COOPERATION
IN THE FIELD OF SCIENCE AND
TECHNOLOGY**

New Delhi, 19 November 1978

The Government of the Republic of INDIA

AND

Government of the Republic of CUBA,

CONSIDERING that development of scientific and technical relations shall be of mutual benefit to both the countries,

DESIROUS of strengthening cooperation between the two countries, particularly in the fields of science and technology,

CONSIDERING further that such cooperation will promote the development of existing friendly relations between the two countries,

HAVE AGREED as follows :

Article 1

The Contracting Parties agree to promote development of cooperation in the fields of science and technology between the two countries on the basis of equality and mutual advantages and to define by mutual consent various areas in which such cooperation is desirable, taking into account the experience which scientists and specialists of the two countries have gained and the possibilities available.

Article II

Cooperation between the Contracting Parties in the fields of science and technology may be effected by means of :

- (i) exchange of scientists, research workers, specialists and scholars;
- (ii) exchange of scientific and technical information and documentation;

- (iii) organisation of bilateral scientific and technical seminars and courses on problems of interest to both the countries;
- (iv) joint identification of scientific and technical problems, formulation and implementation of joint research programme which might lead to application of the results of such research in industry, agriculture and other fields, and exchange of experience and know-how resulting therefrom.

Article III

1. The Contracting Parties shall promote cooperation between their respective organisations, enterprises and institutions concerned with science and technology in both the countries with a view to concluding, if necessary, appropriate protocols or contracts within the frame work of this Agreement.
2. Protocols or contracts, which shall be the basis for developing cooperation between organisations, enterprises and institutions concerned with science and technology in both the countries, shall be signed in accordance with the laws and regulations in force in the respective countries. Such protocols or contracts may stipulate conditions relating to the exchange of licences and patents between the two countries, or the utilisation of licences and patents by either Party or jointly by them in a third country.

Article IV

The Contracting Parties agree that the delivery of the equipment required for joint research and for pilot plant studies instituted in furtherance of this Agreement will be effected in the manner discussed and agreed upon by both Contracting Parties in each individual case. The delivery of equipment and apparatus from one country to another produced in the course of implementation of this Agreement shall be effected in accordance with the terms of the then existing trade agreement between the two parties, or as may be agreed between them.

Article V

The Contracting Parties shall take steps to promote cooperation among scientific libraries, centres of scientific and technical information and scientific institutions for exchange of books, periodicals and bibliographies.

Article VI

1. The objectives of this Agreement shall be realised through the

implementation of programmes signed periodically. Such programmes shall specify the range, subjects and forms of cooperation including financial terms and conditions.

2. The implementation of this Agreement is entrusted to the Department of Science and Technology from the Indian side and to the State Committee for Economic Collaboration from the Cuban side.

Article VII

Each Contracting Party agrees not to divulge information obtained by it or its personnel under this Agreement to any third party without the specific consent of the other Party.

Article VIII

Expenses for travel of the scientists and specialists between the two countries shall be borne by the sending country, while the expenses for accommodation and other expenses, such as pocket money, internal travel, medical facilities etc., shall be borne by the host country, according to the terms mutually agreed upon between the Contracting Parties.

Article IX

Each Contracting Party shall subject to its laws and regulations, secure to the citizens of the other Party, who stay in its territory, all assistance and facilities in the fulfilment of the tasks they are entrusted with, according to the provisions of this Agreement.

Article X

This Agreement shall be subject to approval by the Contracting Parties in accordance with their respective Constitutional Procedures and shall come into force upon exchange of notes concerning such approval.

This Agreement shall remain in force for a period of five years and shall be automatically extended for a further period of five years, unless one of the Contracting Parties gives notice to the other Party of its intention to terminate the Agreement twelve months before the expiry of the said period.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the respective representatives of the two Governments have signed this Agreement.

DONE at New Delhi in six originals, two each in Hindi, Spanish and English languages on the nineteenth day of November in the year one thousand nine hundred and seventy eight, all the texts being equally authentic, but in case of doubt the English text shall prevail.

On behalf of the Government
of the Republic of India

On behalf of the Government
of the Republic of Cuba

Sd/-

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