

**AGREEMENT¹ BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF
INDIA AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE
UNION OF SOVIET SOCIALIST
REPUBLICS REGARDING
PEACEFUL USES OF
ATOMIC ENERGY**
Bombay, 22 January 1979

The Republic of INDIA

AND

The UNION OF SOVIET SOCIALIST REPUBLICS,

PROCEEDING from friendly relations existing between the Republic of India, and the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics based on the principles of equality, respect of sovereignty and of non-interference in internal affairs of the Contracting Parties,

ATTACHING great importance to the utilization of atomic energy for peaceful purposes,

RECOGNIZING further, that such cooperation should be implemented in compliance with the international agreements, signed by both Parties,

AND DESIRING to put the cooperation in this field on a more stable and long-term basis for the benefit of the peoples of both countries,

HAVE AGREED as follows :

Article 1

Guided by the principles of this Agreement, the Contracting Parties shall develop and extend cooperation in the field of the

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utilization of atomic energy for peaceful purposes through their respective competent organizations.

Cooperation shall centre in the following basic areas :

- (a) Research and power nuclear reactors, including fast breeder-reactors.

Cooperation in this area shall be directed towards solution of mutually agreed fundamental and applied problems linked with physics and engineering aspects of reactors and atomic power stations;

- (b) Desalination of salt water, including that effected by means of the utilization of atomic energy.

Cooperation in this area shall include research and experimental work, exchange of scientific reports, papers and other informative materials;

- (c) Fundamental research in the area of nuclear physics, elementary particles and high energy physics; plasma physics and controlled thermonuclear fusion;

- (d) Radioactive isotopes and nuclear instruments.

Cooperation in this area shall include research and experimental work on the production and utilization of radioactive isotopes in national economy and on the development on new types of nuclear instruments.

Article 2

1. Cooperation envisaged in Article 1 may be effected on the basis of mutual agreement in the following forms :

- (a) joint consultations, seminars and working meetings;
- (b) exchange of short-term familiarisation visits of scientists and specialists and long-term exchange of specialists to carry out research work in scientific centres of the Parties;
- (c) exchange of scientific and technical information, documentation and results of experiments;
- (d) exchange of respective samples of instruments and structural materials.

2. Other forms of cooperation may be added on mutual agreement.

Article 3

Proceeding from the objectives of the present Agreement, the Contracting Parties shall respectively encourage, promote and guide the development of cooperation and direct contacts between organizations and agencies of both countries, including the conclusion, when required, of working protocols and contracts for carrying out joint activities in accordance with the present Agreement.

Article 4

Mutual deputation of scientific workers and specialists in the fields stipulated by the present Agreement shall be effected both on the basis of equivalent free exchange and at the expense of the interested Party.

Terms of mutual deputation of scientific workers and specialists shall be agreed upon by the Atomic Energy Commission of the Republic of India and the State Committee for the Utilization of Atomic Energy of the USSR.

Article 5

The present Agreement shall be subject to ratification. It is concluded for an indefinite period and may be terminated by either of the Contracting Parties by giving one year's notice. Such being the case, all the contracts and other commitments undertaken in accordance with the Agreement will remain in force for the period set for each of them.

Article 6

From the date of entering into force of the present Agreement, the Agreement¹ on Scientific and Technical Cooperation between the Republic of India and the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics in the field of peaceful utilisation of atomic energy of 6th October 1961 and the Protocol on mutual deputation of scientists and experts of the Indian Atomic Energy Commission and the USSR State Committee for the Utilisation of Atomic Energy of 30th April 1968, cease to be in force.

Article 7

The present Agreement shall come into force after both the Contracting Parties have ratified it.

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DONE at Bombay on this twentysecond day of January, 1979, in two copies each in Hindi, Russian and English languages, all the texts being equally authentic.

For the Republic of India

For the Union of Soviet
Socialist Republics

Sd/-

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