

CULTURAL COOPERATION AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE
GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF INDIA AND THE
GOVERNMENT OF THE ISLAMIC REPUBLIC OF PAKISTAN

The Government of the Republic of India and the Government of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan (hereinafter referred to as the Contracting Parties),

INSPIRED by a common desire to establish and develop closer cultural relations, and

DESIROUS of promoting and developing the relations and understanding between India and Pakistan in the realms of art, culture, archaeology, education, mass media and sports,

HAVE AGREED as follows:

ARTICLE 1

The Contracting Parties shall facilitate and encourage cooperation in the fields of art, culture, archaeology, education, mass media of information and sports in order to contribute towards a better knowledge of their respective cultures and activities in these fields.

ARTICLE 2

Each Contracting Party may establish in the territory of the other Cultural Centres in accordance with laws, regulations and general policy of the respective host Government. Prior clearance of the host Government would be obtained before any such centre is established. The details regarding the establishment of such centres shall be settled between the two countries by means of an additional protocol to be negotiated after this Agreement comes into force.

ARTICLE 3

The Contracting Parties shall encourage and facilitate:

- (a) reciprocal visits of academicians, education administrators, professors and experts in agreed areas for delivering lectures, study tours and special courses;
- (b) reciprocal visits of representatives of educational, literary, artistic, sports and journalists' associations and organizations; and
- (c) participation in congresses, conferences, symposia and seminars.

ARTICLE 4

The Contracting Parties shall encourage and facilitate:

- (a) exchange in the field of art and culture and in the field of mass media such as documentaries, radio and television;
- (b) exchange of materials in the fields of education, sports, archaeology; and
- (c) translation and exchange of books, periodicals and other educational, cultural and sports publications, and wherever possible exchange of copies of art objects.

ARTICLE 5

Both Contracting Parties shall endeavour to provide facilities and scholarships to students and research scholars of each other's country to study in its institutions of higher education and research and to participate in practical training programmes.

ARTICLE 6

The Contracting Parties shall examine the diplomas, certificates and university degrees granted by the other Party with a view to arriving at their equivalence.

ARTICLE 7

Each Contracting Party shall endeavour to present different facets of the life and culture of the other Party through the media of radio, television and press by exchange of suitable materials and programmes.

ARTICLE 8

The Contracting Parties shall facilitate :

- (a) exchange of artists, poets, writers and musicians;
- (b) exchange of art and other exhibitions; and
- (c) participation in each other's International Film Festivals.

ARTICLE 9

The Contracting Parties shall encourage visits of sports teams between the two countries and shall facilitate, subject to the national laws and regulations in force, their stay and movements in their respective territories.

ARTICLE 10

The Contracting Parties shall to the extent possible ensure that text-books prescribed for their educational institutions, particularly those relating to History and Geography, do not contain any misrepresentation of facts about each other's country.

ARTICLE 11

For the achievement of the objective of the Agreement, the India-Pakistan Joint Commission will formulate cultural and educational exchange programmes and review the implementation of the Agreement.

ARTICLE 12

This Agreement is subject to ratification. It shall enter into force on the date of exchange of the Instruments of Ratification. It shall remain in force for a period of three years and shall be renewed automatically for each subsequent period of three years unless either Contracting Party gives to the other a six month s' written notice in advance of its intention to terminate it. This Agreement may be modified by mutual consent.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the undersigned representatives being duly authorised thereto by their respective Governments, have hereto signed this Agreement and have affixed thereto their seals.

DONE at Islamabad on this Tenth day of Pausa 1910 (Saka era) corresponding to the Twentieth day of Jamadi-ul-Awwal 1409 A.H. and to the Thirty-First day of December 1988, in two originals, each in Hindi, Urdu and English languages, all the texts being equally authentic, except in case of doubt when the English text shall prevail.



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For the Government of the
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