

Memorandum of Understanding on Cultural Cooperation between the Ministry of Culture and Information in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia and the Ministry of Culture in the Republic of India

The Ministry of Culture and Information in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia and the Ministry of Culture in the Republic of India, hereinafter referred to as "The Two Parties";

Desiring to promote the existing bonds and promote cooperation between their two countries in cultural fields, within the framework of the Agreement of Economic and Technical Cooperation signed by the governments of both countries, in New Delhi, on 10.06.1401H. corresponding to 14.04.1981; And in accordance with the laws and regulations prevailing in both countries, the two parties have agreed to cooperate in the following:

Article One: Participation in Festivals and Promotion of Cultural Relation:

- (1) Participation in Festivals, conferences and Cultural and intellectual symposiums held in both countries.
- (2) The Indian party shall organize Cultural Days in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia and the Saudi Party shall organize similar Cultural days in the Republic of India.
- (3) Exchange of experience and visits in the context of the cultural Activation, and cooperation in training technical cadre capable of activating cultural works.
- (4) The two parties shall harmonize their efforts in the field of Culture with relevant International organizations.

Article Two: In the field of Arts:

The two parties shall exchange artistic, dramatic and folk groups, and participate in Arts events organized in both countries.

Article Three: In the field of Libraries:

- (1) Exchange of Information and publications between libraries in both countries, especially concerning national heritage, documents and manuscripts.
- (2) Exchange of experience in the field of publication and library organization.
- (3) Exchange of visits by staff of public libraries in both countries.
- (4) Participation in book exhibitions organized in both countries.

Article Four: Children's Culture:

Both parties shall participate in festivals, conference and symposiums devoted to the children, exchange experience in the field of children's culture, organize exhibitions on children's paintings and show movies during children's performances.

Article Five: Fine Arts:

- (1) Participation In Fine Arts events organized in both countries.
- (2) Exchange of technical documents and publications about Fine Arts exhibitions and showrooms in both countries.
- (3) Organizing Fine Arts exhibitions in both countries.

Article Six:

The exchange of delegations and activities shall be carried out on the basis of reciprocity.

Article Seven:

This memorandum shall enter into force on the date of the last mutual notification through diplomatic channels, confirming the fulfillment by either party of the lawful procedures required for its entering into force.

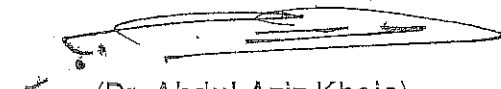
Article Eight:

This memorandum shall be concluded for a period of five years from entry into force, and shall be automatically renewed for similar period or periods, unless either of the two parties gives a written notice, at least six months before the expiration of this Memorandum, of its intention to terminate it. In the event of terminating this Memorandum, its provisions shall continue to be effective in relation to the programs and projects that have been concluded within its framework, and the programs and projects that have not been completed, or rights that have not been settled according to its provisions.

Done and signed in Riyadh on 14 Rabea Alawal 1431H, corresponding to February 28, 2010 in two original copies, each in Arabic and English languages, all texts being equally authentic. In case of divergence of interpretation, the English version shall prevail.



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