

**Memorandum of Understanding
for Development Cooperation in Africa
Between
Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation
of the United Arab Emirates
And
Ministry of External Affairs
of the Republic of India**

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation of the United Arab Emirates (hereinafter referred to as “The First Party”) and Ministry of External Affairs of the Republic of India (hereinafter referred to as “The Second Party”), and together referred to as “The Parties”.

Whereas the “Parties” are willing to promote sustainable development, and consolidate the close friendship and cooperation ties between them;

Recalling their historical ties, close bonds of friendship and growing multi-sectoral engagement with Africa;

Desiring to jointly contribute to the development agenda of African countries through development cooperation with Africa;

Highlighting development co-operation in 2030 Agenda with SDGs focusing on South-South and triangular co-operation as complementary to means of implementation; and

Following a demand driven approach guided by African priorities and aiming to liberate African potential and not to constrain their future;

The “Parties” have reached the following understanding:

Article (1) Cooperation

The “Parties” have agreed

- to cooperate in development partnership projects and programmes in Africa in accordance with African priorities; and
- to join their efforts, resources and skills to facilitate joint implementation of such cooperation activities.

Article (2) Objectives

- The “Parties” shall cooperate to identify and implement initiatives and projects proposals for promoting development in Africa. The initiatives shall be demand driven and in accordance with the strategies, programmes and plans agreed to by all sides.
- The “Parties” shall strive to combine the comparative advantages of different partners by making use of complementary strengths to create synergies and promote development.

Article (3)

Contact Points

All notifications and official correspondences exchanged between the "Parties" with regard to this MOU will be in writing, through the diplomatic channels.

Article (4)

Expenditure

Any expenses or costs incurred will be agreed upon, in writing, between the "Parties" in advance.

Article (5)

Meeting

Meetings, as appropriate, will be arranged between the "Parties" to discuss the implementation, updates and other project related issues.

Article (6)

Implementation

- For the implementation of this MOU, the "Parties", through the mutual coordination, will nominate the focal contact persons who will follow up the execution and management of this MOU after the signing; follow up the implementation of the projects, programmes and activities; keeping up with the work updates in accordance with the provisions of this MOU, in addition to submitting the suggestions and recommendations.
- This Memorandum of Understanding may be supplemented by administrative arrangements which specify the terms of collaboration regarding specific activities in line with the interests, needs, respective rules, regulations and established policies, practices and procedures of each side, on aspects of cooperation between the "Parties", in accordance with the objectives herein under (Article 2).

Article (7)

Documents and Confidentiality

to publish any of them without obtaining a prior written approval from the other Party.

Article (8)
Dispute Settlement

Any dispute which may arise between the "Parties" in relation to the interpretation or implementation of this MOU shall be settled by the amicable negotiation through the diplomatic channels.

Article (9)
Modification

Any "Party" is entitled to propose any written modification to this MOU and, upon acceptance by the other "Party", such modifications shall be annexed to this MOU and will be an integral part of it.

Article (10)
Entry into Force

This MOU shall enter into force as of the date of signature, and shall remain valid for five (5) years, unless either "Party" expresses its desire to terminate it, through sending a written prior notification to the other "Party", with one month's notice. The MOU shall automatically stand extended after five years for another period of five years, unless either "Party" expresses its desire to terminate it with written prior notification as above.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the undersigned being duly authorized thereto have signed this Memorandum of Understanding.

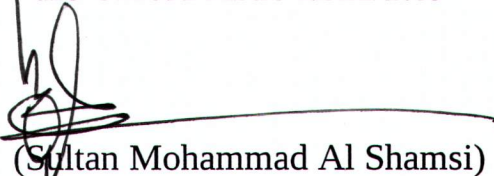
Done at Abu Dhabi on December 04, 2018 in two originals in English.

**For the Government of
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