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**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING  
ON COOPERATION BETWEEN THE MINISTRY OF  
LAW AND JUSTICE OF THE GOVERNMENT OF  
THE REPUBLIC OF INDIA  
AND THE SUPREME PEOPLE'S PROSECUTION SERVICE OF THE  
PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA**

The Ministry of Law and Justice of the Republic of India and the Supreme People's Prosecution Service of the People's Republic of China, hereinafter referred as "the Parties"

Desiring to strengthen friendly relations between the two countries;

Being convinced about the important role of judicial authorities in the life of society;

Noting that the exchange of knowledge and experience in the judicial and justice fields serves the interests of both States;

Taking into account the international commitments, national legislation and powers of both Parties;

HAVE AGREED as follows:

**Article 1**

The Parties shall promote cooperation in the following fields:

1. Exchange of information on legal matters;
2. Exchange of experience and best practices in the field of justice in the two countries;
3. Mutual support for training public prosecutors and auxiliary judicial personnel;
4. Exchange of information on drafting of laws and implementation of legal provisions;
5. Cooperation in other legal and judicial matters which are of interest to both Parties.

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## **Article 2**

For the purpose of implementing the provisions of the present MoU, the Parties will set up programmes of cooperation on a mutual basis.

## **Article 3**

In order to develop and implement programmes of cooperation, the Parties shall set up expert working groups.

## **Article 4**

The Parties shall subject to their national legislation and rules and regulations create conditions for direct contact and exchange of experience between judicial authorities and justice officials of the two countries.

## **Article 5**

The Parties shall facilitate the organization of seminars and conferences on issues of mutual interest.

## **Article 6**

The Parties shall promote the exchange of experts on issues of mutual interest.

## **Article 7**

Parties shall use their official language along with English translation for the purpose of correspondence.

## **Article 8**

Parties shall bear expenses arising under this MoU for the activities taking place in their territories. In the case of visits of delegations, the financing shall be arranged in the following way:

1. The receiving Party shall cover the expenses regarding the stay and transportation within its territory;

2. The sending Party shall cover the travel expenses to and from the receiving country.

### Article 9

This MoU will come into effect on signature and shall remain in force for an indefinite period. However each Party may denounce the MoU at any time by giving a notice to the other Party of its intention to terminate this MoU.

Denunciation shall take effect three months from the date when the other State has received such notification.

The following representatives being duly authorised thereto by their respective governments have signed this Memorandum of Understanding.

Done at Beijing on Monday, June 23, 2003 in three authentic copies in Hindi, English and Chinese languages, each text being equally authentic. However, in case of divergent interpretation, the English text shall prevail.



For the Ministry of Law & Justice  
of the Government of the  
Republic of India

For the Supreme People's Prosecution  
Service of the Government of the  
People's Republic of China.

