

AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF INDIA
AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE RUSSIAN FEDERATION
ON DEFENCE COOPERATION

PREAMBLE

The Government of the Republic of India and the Government of the Russian Federation, hereinafter referred to as "Parties" and singly as "Party",

Considering the existing friendly relations between their Governments, countries and peoples,

Recalling the Treaty of Friendship and Cooperation between the Republic of India and the Russian Federation,

Reiterating their support for the principle of not affecting adversely each other's security interests,

✓ **Desiring** to promote defence cooperation for mutual benefit,

Recognising that this cooperation should be carried out in an effective and purposeful manner on the basis of equality, reciprocity and mutual benefit,

Have agreed to conclude the present Agreement for bilateral defence cooperation.

ARTICLE 1

Scope of Cooperation

1.1. The Parties hereby agree within the framework of their laws to:-

1.2 Promotion of bilateral defence relations and cooperation in specific areas to be agreed upon, including guaranteed supply of Defence equipment related items/spare parts, product support and comprehensive services needed for maintenance, repair including overhaul, and modernisation.

1.3 Promotion of cooperation in defence science and technology, training, visits, exchange of personnel and joint research and development projects.

1.4 Promotion of cooperation through transfer of technology, assistance in setting up of projects, license production and third country exports.

1.5 Promotion of military to military cooperation through training, visits, exchange of information, exchange of personnel and sharing of experience between the two Armed Forces.

1.6 Rendering of continued assistance in the exploitation and servicing of equipment and weapon systems.

1.7 Undertaking other activities or programmes to be mutually agreed upon.

ARTICLE 2

Management of cooperation

✓ 2.1 Keeping in view the objectives of this Agreement, the two Parties will meet periodically to evolve concrete programmes for mutual benefit.

✓ 2.2 Programmes of cooperation may also be agreed upon by exchange of communications between the two Parties or through diplomatic channels.

✓ 2.3 For the purpose of execution of the mutually agreed programmes of cooperation, the two Parties shall, whenever necessary, enter into specific contracts or agreements, without prejudice to the commitments already existing for the maintenance and repair of military equipment earlier supplied.

✓ 2.4 Prior to the closure of a line of production of interest to the other Party, the Concerned Party shall proceed only after due consultation with the other.

ARTICLE 3

Meetings

✓ 3.1 The two Parties shall meet alternately in India and Russia, whenever required.

✓ 3.2 The agenda and related organisational and administrative matters for the conduct of meetings shall be decided by mutual agreement.

✓ 3.3 The decisions taken in such meetings shall be recorded in the form of agreed minutes.

ARTICLE 4

Security Arrangements

✓ 4.1 Both Parties shall take necessary measures to ensure secrecy of information, obtained in the course of implementation of this Agreement. This information shall not be used by either Party to the detriment of the national interests of the other Party. The Parties shall not divulge such information to any third party without the prior written consent of the other Party.

ARTICLE 5

Final Provisions

✓ 5.1 This Agreement comes into effect on the date of its signing.

5.2 Either Party may make a request at any time to vary, modify or otherwise amend this Agreement. Such variation,


modification or amendment shall come into effect upon the agreement of the other Party.


5.3 This Agreement may be terminated at any time by mutual agreement by giving six months notice.

5.4 Any difference on the interpretation or application of this Agreement shall be amicably resolved through mutual consultations.

5.5 Done in New Delhi on 28th January, 1993 in two originals each, in the Hindi, Russian and English languages, all the texts being equally authentic.

In witness hereof the undersigned being duly authorised by their respective Governments have signed the present Agreement.


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