CULTURAL AGREEMENT

between

INDIA

and

the

FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY

India

and the Federal Republic of Germany

Desiring to promote in either Country by means of friendly cooperation and cultural exchanges an understanding for the culture, intellectual activities, and ways of life of the people of the other Country,

Have agreed as follows:-

Article 1

- (1) Each Contracting Party shall endeavour to admit and encourage cultural institutions of the other Contracting Party in accordance with applicable regulations and subject to conditions to be agreed upon by both Contracting Parties.
- (2) The Contracting Parties shall endeavour to encourage the foundation and activities of Indo-German societies and other organisations serving the purposes of this Agreement.
- (3) "Cultural institutions" within the meaning of paragraph 1 of this Article are, in particular, schools, scientific and cultural institutes, hospitals, libraries, film and music archives, as well as the Cultural Centres established by either Country.

Article 2

- (1) The Contracting Parties shall endeavour to facilitate and encourage the exchange between their respective countries of university teachers, teachers for all types of schools, scientists, scholars, and other persons active in cultural fields, as well as of students, sportsmen and trainees.
 - (2) The Contracting Parties shall endeavour by invitations

or grants to encourage visits of individuals or groups, for the purpose of developing cultural cooperation.

Article 3

- (1) Each Contracting Party shall endeavour in accordance with applicable regulations to enable students who are nationals of the other Contracting Party to obtain admission to the first Contracting Party's educational institutions.
- (2) Each Contracting Party shall endeavour to agree to what extent and on what conditions academic degrees, university and college certificates obtained in the territory of the other Contracting Party can be recognized as equivalent, for academic purposes, to the corresponding degrees and certificates obtained in its own territory.

Article 4

Each Contracting Party shall endeavour to provide scholarships and to enable its own nationals who satisfy the relevant requirements, to take up or continue studies in the territory of the other Contracting Party, and to enable nationals of the other Contracting Party who satisfy the relevant requirements, to take up or continue studies in its own territory.

Article 5

The Contracting Parties shall endeavour to ensure that textbooks in their institutions as well as official informative publications do not contain any errors or misrepresentations about the country of the other Contracting Party.

Article 6

Each Contracting Party shall endeavour to encourage within the scope of its possibilities, the study of the language of the other Contracting Party.

Article 7

The Contracting Parties shall endeavour to assist each other in propagating in their respective territories a better knowledge of the culture and ways of life prevailing in the

territory of the other Contracting Party, and, in particular, to encourage

- a) the distribution of books, periodicals, publications, and reproductions of works of art,
- b) art and other exhibitions.
- c) concerts and artistic performances,
- d) lectures,
- e) theatrical performances,
- f) radio broadcasts, television transmissions, the showing of films, the production of gramophone records and tape recordings,
- g) sports events,
- h) special events.

Article 8

Each Contracting Party shall endeavour to grant facilities to citizens of the other Contracting Party desirous of visiting their territory within the framework of this Agreement, for their entry and stay in accordance with prevalent regulations.

Article 9

Each Contracting Party shall endeavour, subject to its legislative provisions, to encourage in every way the importation into its own territory from the territory of the other Contracting Party of such articles e.g. pictures and other exhibition objects, books, periodicals, teaching aids, films, film projectors and gramophone records, as are required for the purposes of this Agreement.

Article 10

Each Contracting Party shall endeavour its utmost to solve the financial problems arising in connection with the execution of this Agreement. The honoraria and royalties to be paid to authors or accruing from the rights granted to hold performances are payable in convertible or non-convertible local currency according to official regulations in force in each country.

Article 11

- (1) For the purpose of making suggestions and recommendations as well as advising the Contracting Parties, a Permanent Indo-German Committee shall be set up, consisting of six members.
- (2) The three German members shall be appointed by the German Federal Minister of Foreign Affairs in consultation with other Federal Ministers concerned and the Ministers of Education of the Laender of the Federal Republic of Germany, and the three Indian members shall be appointed by the Government of India.
- (3) The Permanent Committee will meet as required but at least once every year, alternately in the Federal Republic of Germany and in India. The Chairman will be a representative of the country in whose territory the meeting takes place.
 - (4) The objects of the Committee will be:
 - a) to keep under periodical review the working of the Agreement,
 - to advise the Governments concerned on the detailed manner of carrying out the Agreement; and
 - c) generally to advise the Governments concerned as to the manner in which the working of the Agreement may be improved upon.
- (5) The Permanent Committee may invite experts to attend meetings in an advisory capacity.

Article 12

This Agreement shall also apply to Land Berlin, provided that the Government of the Federal Republic of Germany has not made a contrary declaration to the Government of India within three months from the date of entry into force of this Agreement.

Article 13

(1) This Agreement is subject to ratification; the instruments of ratification shall be exchanged at Bonn as soon as possible.

- (2) This Agreement shall enter into force one month after the exchange of the instruments of ratification.
- (3) This Agreement may be terminated in writing at any time after the expiry of a period of five years from its entry into force; it shall expire six months after such notice of termination.

DONE at New Delhi on the Twentyninth Day of Phalguna of the Saka year One thousand eight hundred and ninety corresponding to the Twentieth Day of March, One thousand nine hundred and sixtynine, in six originals, two each in the Hindi, German and English languages, each text being equally authentic. In the event of differences regarding the interpretation of this Agreement, the English text shall prevail.

For India

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