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**AGREEMENT FOR MUTUAL CO-OPERATION**  
**BETWEEN**  
**THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF INDIA**  
**AND**  
**THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF AFGHANISTAN**  
**FOR REDUCING DEMAND AND PREVENTING**  
**ILLCIT USE AND TRAFFICKING IN**  
**NARCOTIC DRUGS AND PSYCHOTROPIC**  
**SUBSTANCES AND RELATED MATTERS**

The Government of the Republic of India and the Government of the Republic of Afghanistan (hereinafter referred to as the Contracting Parties):-

- Considering that the Single Convention on Narcotic Drugs of 1961, as amended by the 1972 Protocol and the Convention on Psychotropic Substances of 1971 form the basis for national and international drug control;
- Affirming their commitment to the Declaration adopted by the International Conference on Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking as an expression of the political will of the nations to combat the drug menace;
- Sharing deep concern over the illicit cultivation, production, processing and trafficking in illicit drugs;
- Reaffirming their joint determination to combat the drug menace;
- Taking into due consideration their constitutional, legal and administrative systems and respect for the national sovereignty of their respective states;

Have agreed as follows:

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ARTICLE I

The sanctioning parties agree to undertake joint efforts and execute specific programmes for combating illicit traffic, reducing demand for illicit use of drugs and co-operate in improving treatment, rehabilitation facilities etc, for drug addicts. The co-operation, which will be carried out according to this agreement may inter-alia include the following initiatives:-

- i) Training of drug enforcement officers of both countries.
- ii) Training of technical personnel in the field of testing of drugs.
- iii) Training of personnel in counselling, de-addiction, treatment and rehabilitation.
- iv) Acquisition of informational and educational material for drug abuse prevention.

ARTICLE II

The Contracting Parties agree to use their best efforts, consistent with their national laws and narcotics control situations, to take appropriate action, where applicable, to cooperate in measures:-

- (a) for exchange of information of operational, technical and general nature between the nodal enforcement agencies of India and of the Republic of Afghanistan;
- (b) to assist one another in operational matters including employment such investigative techniques as may be necessary;
- (c) to identify and destroy illegal drug processing sites and laboratories and to identify and eradicate illicit cultivation of cannabis and opium poppy wherever found;
- (d) to regulate and monitor the production, importation, exportation, storage, distribution and sale of precursor chemical products and solvents which may be used in illicit manufacturing and production of drugs;
- (e) to produce demand through prevention, treatment and public awareness activities.

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ARTICLE III

In furtherance of the objectives of this Agreement subject to their national laws, the Contracting Parties agree to :-

- (a) exchange literature on existing laws, rules, procedures, etc. concerning drug abuse control and on amendments which may take place in the existing laws in future;
- (b) combat drug trafficking, prevent money laundering and cooperate in tracing, identification, freezing, seizure and forfeiture of properties derived from or used in illicit traffic.

ARTICLE IV

For the purposes of this Agreement, drugs are understood to be the substances that are enumerated and described in the Single Convention on Narcotics Drugs, 1961, as amended by the Protocol of 1972 and Convention on Psychotropic Substances of 1971 and any other drug or substance which, on the basis of its deleterious effect or abusive potentiality, may be notified as a controlled substance under the laws of the contracting Parties.

This Agreement will enter into force upon signature and will remain in force until terminated by either party by giving at least three months notice in writing.

Done at New Deli on this the 29<sup>th</sup> day of August 1990 in two originals each in the Hindi, Dari and English languages, all texts being equally authentic. In case of doubt, however, the English text shall prevail.

-signed-  
(PROF. MADHU DANDAVATE)  
MINISTER OF FINANCE  
REPUBLIC OF INDIA

-signed-  
(ABDUL WAKIL)  
MINISTER FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS  
REPUBLIC OF AFGHANISTAN

