

CULTURAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF
THE REPUBLIC OF INDIA AND THE GOVERNMENT OF
THE KINGDOM OF CAMBODIA

The Government of the Republic of India and the Royal Government of Cambodia (hereinafter referred to as the 'Contracting Parties');

INSPIRED BY a common desire to establish and develop closer cultural relations, and

DESIROUS OF promoting and developing in every possible manner the relations and understanding between India and Cambodia in the realms of Art, Culture, Education (including academic activity in the fields of Science and Technology), Sports, Public Health and Mass Media of Information and Education;

HAVE AGREED to conclude the following Agreement:

ARTICLE. I

The Contracting Parties shall facilitate and encourage cooperation in the fields of Culture, Education, Art, Sports, Public Health and Mass Media of Information and Education in order to contribute towards a better knowledge of their respective cultures and activities in these fields.

ARTICLE. II

The Contracting Parties shall encourage and facilitate:

- (a) reciprocal visits of professors and experts for delivering lectures, study tours and for conducting special courses;
- (b) reciprocal visits representatives of educational, literary, scientific, technical, artistic, sports and journalists' associations and organisations and participation in congresses, conferences, symposia and seminars;
- (c) exchange of materials in the fields of culture, science, education, translation and exchange of books, periodicals and other educational, scientific, technical, cultural, sports publications and wherever possible, exchange of art specimens; and
- (d) reciprocal facilities in regard to visits by archaeologists of the one country to the other to enable them to gain experience of excavation as well as preservation and display of archaeological finds, and for training purposes, and also in regard to exchange of specimens or casts.

ARTICLE.III

Each Contracting Party shall endeavour to provide facilities and scholarships to students and scientific personnel of the other country seeking to study in its recognised institutions of higher education and research.

ARTICLE.IV

Each Contracting Party undertakes to examine the conditions under which the diplomas, certificates and university degrees awarded in the other country can be recognised for purposes of study in its own educational and other institutions.

ARTICLE.V

Each Contracting Party shall endeavour to present different facets of the life and culture of the other Party through the media of radio, television and press. With this end in view, the two parties shall exchange suitable materials and programmes.

ARTICLE.VI

The Contracting Parties shall facilitate and promote:

- (a) exchange of artists and dance and music ensembles;
- (b) exchange of art and other exhibitions;
- (c) exchange of films, documentaries, radio and television programme recordings on discs and tapes; and
- (d) exchange of experts in the field of cinematography and participation in each others international film festivals.

ARTICLE.VII

The Contracting Parties shall encourage visits of sports teams between the two countries and shall facilitate, subject to the national laws and regulations in force, their stay and movements in their respective territories.

ARTICLE.VIII

The Contracting Parties shall, to the extent possible, ensure that text-books prescribed for their educational institutions, particularly those relating to History and Geography do not contain any error or misrepresentation of facts about each other's country.

ARTICLE.IX

Each Contracting Party shall welcome the establishment in its territory, of cultural institutes or friendship associations devoted to educational and cultural pursuits by the other Contracting Party, or the Contracting Parties jointly. Such institutes and associations shall be established in accordance with the laws, regulations and general policy of the host country; it being understood that prior clearance of the host Government would be obtained before any such institute or association is established under this Article.

ARTICLE.X

For the fulfilment of the objectives of the present Agreement, a programme shall be signed by the Contracting Parties.

ARTICLE.XI

The present Agreement shall come into force on the date of its signature. It shall remain in force for a period of five years and shall be renewed automatically thereafter for further periods of five years each until either Contracting Party gives to the other a six months prior notice of its intention to terminate the present Agreement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the duly authorised representatives of the Contracting Parties have affixed their seals thereto.

DONE at New Delhi on this January 31, 1996 corresponding to the Magha 11, 1917(Saka) in six originals, two each in Hindi, Khmer and English languages, all the texts being equally authentic except that, in case of doubt, the English text shall prevail.

For the Government of
the Republic of India



For the Royal
Government of Cambodia



