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**AGREEMENT
BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF INDIA
AND
THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF SLOVENIA
ON SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNOLOGICAL COOPERATION**

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

Being aware of the importance of the use of high technologies as well as research, development and scientific achievements as decisive factors for economic development, progress and prosperity of mankind;

Striving to support the cooperation between the two countries in science and technology on the basis of mutual exchange and application of scientific and technological knowledge and experience;

Convinced that international cooperation in science and technology will strengthen the bonds of friendship and understanding between the two countries;

Have Agreed as follows:

Article 1

The Contracting Parties shall develop and support scientific and technological cooperation through direct contacts between participating organizations of the two countries which may include: academies of sciences, research institutes, universities, scientific societies, enterprises and other research and development organizations.

Article 2

According to this agreement, scientific and technological cooperation shall be promoted through:

- a) *Scientific and technological research and development in areas jointly agreed upon;*
- b) *Exchange of scientists, specialists, researchers, university teachers and technicians;*
- c) *Exchange of science and technology information and documentation in the context of cooperative activities;*
- d) *Exchange or sharing of equipment, instruments, accessories of materials necessary for the implementation of this Agreement;*

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- e) *Joint scientific conferences, symposia, workshops and other meetings; and*
 - f) *Other forms of scientific and technological cooperation which can mutually be agreed upon by the two Contracting Parties.*

Besides, the Contracting parties shall encourage to the maximum possible extent, exchange of technologies between enterprises, including technical collaboration arrangements.

Article 3

Cooperation under this Agreement shall be subject to the applicable national laws and regulations of both countries.

Article 4

Cooperative activities under this Agreement will take place under implementing memoranda of understanding or other arrangements concluded between corporate bodies of two sides Contracting parties or directly by the Contracting parties

Article 5

For the purpose of examining and deciding on the issues related to the use of the results, technologies, products etc, realised during the joint work carried out under this Agreement, a Joint Working Group shall be constituted (with equal participation of both the Contracting Parties).

Article 6

Scientists, technical experts and institutions from other countries or international organizations may be invited, upon consent of both Contracting Parties, to participate at their own expense, unless otherwise agreed, in activities being carried out under this Agreement.

Article 7

The provisions of this Agreement may be modified or amended by mutual consent of both the Contracting Parties.

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Article 8

For the purpose of the implementation of this Agreement the Government of the Republic of India designates the Department of Science and Technology of the Republic of India and Government of the Republic of Slovenia designates the Ministry of Science and Technology of the Republic of Slovenia.

Article 9

This Agreement shall enter into force upon the exchange of notes confirming that the Contracting Parties have completed their respective internal requirements necessary for the entry into force.

This Agreement shall remain in force for a period of five years and may be extended for subsequent periods of five years at a time, unless either of the Contracting Parties gives a notice in writing six months in advance of its intention to terminate the Agreement before the date of its expiry.

Done at New Delhi on this thirty first day of January 1995 in two originals each in Hindi, Slovene and English languages. All the texts being equally authentic. In case of doubt the English text shall prevail.

Behaturvedi
For the Government of the
Republic of India

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For the Government of the
Republic of Slovenia