

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

BETWEEN THE

**MINISTRY OF NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY OF THE REPUBLIC OF
INDIA**

AND

THE MINISTRY OF ECONOMY OF THE PORTUGUESE REPUBLIC

ON

RENEWABLE ENERGY

The Ministry of New and Renewable Energy of the Republic of India and the Ministry of Economy of the Portuguese Republic hereinafter referred to as “the Signatories”;

CONSIDERING the Agreement between the Portuguese Republic and the Republic of India on Economic and Industrial Cooperation, signed in Lisbon on March 31, 2000;

DESIRING to further develop the friendly relations and strengthen the bilateral co-operation between the countries and to serve the bilateral interests of the countries in the field of renewable energy based on the principle of equality and mutual benefits;

NOTING the significant potential offered by the implementation of joint initiatives and projects in the stated domain.

HAVE decided to sign a Memorandum of Understanding on Renewable Energy, hereinafter referred to as “**MoU**”

CLAUSE 1

Scope

The MoU aims to promote the establishment of the basis for a cooperative institutional relationship and to encourage programmes and activities between the Signatories in the field of renewable energy.

CLAUSE 2

Forms of Co-operation

1. The co-operation under this MoU, within the Signatories scope of powers and duties, as well as in accordance with national laws and pertaining treaties to which the Signatories’ States are Parties to, may include the following:

- 1.1. Promotion of information and contacts between institutions, namely in development of projects and innovative technologies in the field of renewable energies;
- 1.2. Promotion of the development of exchange and experts training programmes in the area of renewable energy and technical visits of both countries experts;
- 1.3. Organization of activities, such as, workshops, joint seminars, conferences and business forums in the energy domain;
- 1.4. Other forms of cooperation mutually agreed upon by the parties, falling within the scope of this MoU.

CLAUSE 3

Working Group

1. In order to co-ordinate the above mentioned activities and decide upon project proposals related to renewable energy domain. The Signatories will establish a "Working Group", composed of one representative appointed by each Signatory.
2. The Signatories designate as their representatives in the Working Group:
 - 2.1. For the India Signatory: The Joint Secretary, International Relations, Ministry of New and Renewable Energy, Government of India; and
 - 2.2. For the Portuguese Signatory: DGEG – Directorate General for Energy and Geology on behalf of the Ministry of Economy, Government of Portugal.
3. The Working Group may designate other members, including representatives from research centres, universities or other organisations when necessary.

CLAUSE 4

Responsibilities of the Working Group

1. The Working Group will be responsible for:
 - 1.1. Identifying areas of mutual interest and co-operation for development of renewable energy;
 - 1.2. Monitoring and evaluating co-operation activities; and
 - 1.3. Any other activity as may be agreed upon in writing by the Signatories.

2. The Working Group will make efforts to develop an Action Plan and convene the first Working Group meeting, at their earliest convenience.
3. The Working Group will, to the extent possible, conduct the work through electronic communication, but meet annually alternatively in India and Portugal or whenever considered necessary.

CLAUSE 5

Confidentiality of Information

1. The Signatories will freely use any information exchanged in conformity with the provisions of this MoU except in the cases where the Signatories or authorized persons providing such information have previously made known the restrictions and reservations concerning its use and dissemination.
2. The Signatories will endeavour to adopt all appropriate measures in accordance with their respective national laws and regulations to respect the restrictions and reservation and to protect intellectual property rights including commercial and industrial secrets transferred between authorized persons within the jurisdiction of the State of either Signatory.

CLAUSE 6

Financing

The implementation of the above foreseen activities may depend upon availability of required funds from each Signatory's budget, and the expenses will be supported by the incurring Signatory, except if otherwise agreed.

CLAUSE 7

Changes

This MoU may be changed at any time by mutual written agreement of the Signatories.

CLAUSE 8

Interpretation

Any differences arising out the interpretation or application of this MoU will be settled amicably through consultation or negotiations and mutual consent between the Signatories.

CLAUSE 9

Entry into Effect

1. This MoU shall come into effect on the date of its signatures by the authorised representatives of the Signatories.
2. This MoU will remain valid for a period of five (5) years and be automatically renewed for a consecutive period of another five (5) years.
3. This MoU shall cease to have effect three (3) months after either Signatory makes intention of terminating the MoU known to the other Signatory in writing through diplomatic channels. In such case, activities in course will be pursued according to their planning, unless otherwise agreed by the Signatory.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned being duly authorized thereto by the respective Governments, have signed this **MoU**.

New Delhi 6th January

Signed in (...) on (...) of 2017, in two originals, in Hindi, Portuguese and English languages, all texts being equally authentic. In case of any divergence of interpretation, the English text will prevail

FOR AND BEHALF OF THE
MINISTRY OF NEW AND
RENEWABLE ENERGY OF THE
REPUBLIC OF INDIA



(Mr. Rajeev Kapoor)
Secretary, MNRE

FOR AND BEHALF OF THE
MINISTRY OF ECONOMY OF THE
PORTUGUESE REPUBLIC



(Mr. Joao da Camara)
Portuguese Ambassador

भारत गणराज्य के नवीन और नवीकरणीय ऊर्जा मंत्रालय
तथा
पुर्तगाल गणराज्य के आर्थिक मामलों के मंत्रालय
के बीच
अक्षय ऊर्जा पर समझौता ज्ञापन

भारत गणराज्य का नवीन और नवीकरणीय ऊर्जा मंत्रालय तथा पुर्तगाल गणराज्य के आर्थिक मामलों का मंत्रालय, जिन्हें इसके पश्चात् "हस्ताक्षरकर्ता कहा गया है;"

पुर्तगाल गणराज्य और भारत गणराज्य के बीच दिनांक 31 मार्च, 2000 को लिस्बन में हस्ताक्षरित आर्थिक एवं औद्योगिक सहयोग करार पर विचार करते हुए;

दोनों देशों के बीच मैत्रिक संबंधों को और विकसित करने तथा द्विपक्षीय सहयोग को सुदृढ़ बनाने और समानता एवं परस्पर हितों के सिद्धांत के आधार पर अक्षय ऊर्जा के क्षेत्र में दोनों देशों के द्विपक्षीय हितों की पूर्ति करने की इच्छा से;

उल्लिखित क्षेत्र में संयुक्त पहलों और परियोजनाओं के कार्यान्वयन से प्राप्त होने वाली महत्वपूर्ण क्षमता को ध्यान में रखते हुए

अक्षय ऊर्जा पर समझौता ज्ञापन पर हस्ताक्षर करने का निर्णय लिया है जिसे इसके पश्चात् "एमओयू" कहा जाएगा।

अनुच्छेद-1

दायरा

इस समझौता ज्ञापन का उद्देश्य एक सहयोगात्मक संस्थागत संबंध के लिए आधार तैयार किए जाने को बढ़ावा देना और हस्ताक्षरकर्ताओं के बीच अक्षय ऊर्जा के क्षेत्र में कार्यक्रमों एवं कार्यकलापों को प्रोत्साहित करना है।

अनुच्छेद-2

सहयोग के तरीके

1. इस समझौता ज्ञापन के अंतर्गत हस्ताक्षरकर्ताओं के अधिकारों एवं कर्तव्यों के दायरे के अंतर्गत तथा राष्ट्रीय कानूनों और संबंधित संधियों, पक्षकार जिसके हस्ताक्षरकर्ता हैं, के अनुसार सहयोग कार्य किए जाएंगे जिसमें निम्नलिखित शामिल हो सकते हैं:

