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**Memorandum of Understanding**  
**between**  
**the Government of the Republic of India**  
**and**  
**the Government of the State of Qatar**  
**on**  
**Cooperation in the fields of Radio and Television**

The Government of the Republic of India represented by **Prasar Bharati, India's Public Service Broadcaster** and the Government of the State of Qatar, represented by the **Qatar Media Corporation**, hereinafter referred to as the "Parties".

In a mutual effort to enhance the mutual bonds of friendship and to increase co-operation in the field of broadcasting between the two countries.

Have reached the following understanding:

**Article 1**

The Parties will work to strengthen their co-operative relationship in the field of Radio and Television, subject to any contractual limitation placed on either Party under any formal or informal agreements between them.

Both Parties will discuss with each other ways in which they could co-operate, so far as is practicable, in each Party's own country in the spirit of partnership as envisioned in this Memorandum.

**Article 2**

Encourage the regular exchange related to Radio and Television programmes and materials available to each Party especially that highlights the national characteristics, cultural and heritage of their

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countries so as to improve the mutual understanding of political, economic, social, and scientific aspects of their countries.

The Parties may delete or shorten such programmes and mutual materials when podcasted without changing its original meaning. The sending Party shall bear the shipping expenses and the receiving Party shall bear the customs clearance fees.

### **Article 3**

Each Party shall undertake to protect the costs and rights of authors and artists, and demands related to the radio and sent television programmes and materials, these programmes and materials should not be exploited commercially, or granted to a third party without the prior approval of the sending Party.

### **Article 4**


Both Parties will inform one another of the significant cultural, economic, political and social events, festivals and competitions taking place in their respective countries at least one month before the scheduled date and encourage mutual participation.

### **Article 5**

Parties would encourage exchange of journalists, experts, technicians, specialists etc in the field of electronic media, radio & Television. Each Party shall bear full expenditure for their officials. However, host Party will provide all the technical and related facilities gratis. Travel/accommodation/medical facilities in emergency cases may also be provided as may be agreed.

### **Article 6**

Both Parties will explore opportunities for co-production related to matters of mutual interest in order to offer high quality programming to their respective viewers/audiences in accordance with a separate written contract for individual cases.





#### **Article 7**

With the aim of exchanging expertise both Parties shall endeavour to strengthen relation between them by exchange of specialists/professionals and utilizing training expertise/ facilities available in addition to the exchange of laws, legislations and regulations related to audio- visual media and electronic media.

Duration and conditions of the personnel exchange will be decided upon separately.

#### **Article 8**

Encourage cooperation and coordination in efforts and attitudes in the regional and international forums, conferences, and meetings related to the radio and television field, in a way that supports mutually adopted media issues.

#### **Article 9**

This Memorandum may be amended or modified at any time by mutual written consent of the Parties, after completion of the legal procedures applicable in each of the contacting countries.

#### **Article 10**

Any dispute arising out the interpretation and implementation or application of any of the provisions of this Memorandum shall be settled amicably through negotiation or consultation between the Parties.

#### **Article 11**

This Memorandum will enter into force on the date of last written notification where one party informs the other party through the diplomatic channels of completion of its legal procedures necessary for it to enter into force.

This Memorandum shall remain in force for a period of three (3) years. Thereafter, it shall be automatically renewed for further successive periods of three (3) years at a time, unless either of the Parties may

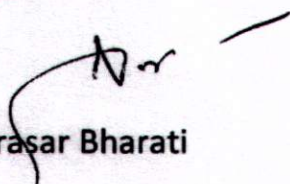


terminate the present Memorandum by giving a written notice of its intention to terminate to the other Party at least six (6) months in advance through the diplomatic channels.

In witness whereof, the undersigned being duly authorized thereto by their respective Governments have signed this Memorandum.

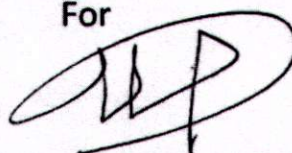
Signed in ~~New Delhi~~ on this day of ~~25 March~~ 2015 in two originals, each in Hindi, Arabic and English languages, all texts being equally authentic. In case of divergence in interpretation, the English text shall prevail.

For



Prasar Bharati

For



The Government of the  
State of Qatar