

**Memorandum of Understanding**  
**Between**  
**The Government of the Republic of India**  
**And**  
**The Government of the State of Qatar**  
**On cooperation in Tourism**

The Government of the Republic of India and the Government of the State of Qatar (hereinafter referred to as the "Parties").

Desiring to strengthen the friendly relations and mutual understanding between the two countries and to support and develop the means of co-operation in the field of tourism based on the exchange of mutual interest for their respective countries.

Realizing that tourism is a mainstay of the economy and one of the means of strengthening and understanding between the Parties.

Have reached the following understanding.

**ARTICLE - "1"**

**Arrangement for Co-operative Atmosphere**

The Parties shall create favourable conditions for long-term co-operation in the field of tourism for the mutual benefits of the two countries.

**ARTICLE - "2"**

**Fields of Co-operation**

The Parties shall cooperate in the fields of planning and developing of tourism, in accordance with the laws, regulations, rules, procedure and

established policies prevailing in their respective countries, the areas of cooperation will focus on development of tourism in the following areas:

**A. Planning and development :**

The Parties shall exchange the expertise, publications, information, data and statistics between the two countries.

**B. Marketing and promotion:**

The Parties shall co-operate in this field through the exchange of programmes, propaganda and advertising materials, publications, films, promotion and marketing of their tourism products via media, invitation of nationals and residents of each of the countries for leisure, trips and youth camps in the other country as well as the invitation of representatives of media, and tourism specialized experts to exchange tourism trips between the Parties.

**C. Co-operation between tourism private sectors:**

The Parties shall support strong co-operation between tourist sectors, tour operators, travel agents and other tourism private sector's firms and bureaus in the two countries.

**D. Tourism investment:**

The Parties shall encourage the public and the private sectors to invest in tourism. Special importance shall be directed towards the development and implementation of the tourism initiatives that benefit the Parties.

**ARTICLE - "3"**

**Financial costs**

Financial costs resulting from the implementation of this MOU shall be covered in accordance with the legal rules prevailing in the two countries.

#### **ARTICLE - "4"**

##### **Joint committee**

The Parties shall set up a Joint Committee to implement the measures that will realize the objectives set out in this MOU. The said committee shall hold its meetings whenever necessity so requires. Details shall be agreed upon through diplomatic channels.

#### **ARTICLE - "5"**

##### **Co-ordination**

The Parties shall co-ordinate their stance at the international level, particularly, at the meetings, conference and forums of the international specialized tourism organizations.

#### **ARTICLE - "6"**

##### **Relationship with the other agreements**

The MOU shall have no effect on other agreements and Memorandums between the Parties and also those entered into or shall be entered into by any of the Parties with a third party.

#### **ARTICLE - "7"**

##### **Settlement of disputes**

Any dispute or difference arising out of the interpretation and implementation of this MOU shall be settled amicably by direct consultations or negotiation between the Parties through diplomatic channels.

## **ARTICLE – “8”**

### **Amendment of the MOU**

This MOU may be amended whilst it is in force by mutual written consent of the two Parties through the exchange of written notes between the Parties. Such amendment shall come into force in accordance with the same procedures adopted in the formation of this MOU. Any amendment shall be implemented without prejudice to the rights and the obligations arising out or stated in this MoU prior to the addition of such amendment.

## **ARTICLE – “9”**

### **Entering into force**

This Memorandum will enter into force on the date of receipt of the last written notification by which the Parties have notified each other, through diplomatic channels that their respective internal legal requirements for the entry into force of this Memorandum have been completed, and it shall be valid for a period of five (5) years. Thereafter, it shall automatically be renewed for further periods of five (5) years at a time, unless either Party terminate this present Memorandum by giving a written notice of its intention to terminate it to the other Party at least six (6) months in advance.

Termination of this Memorandum shall not affect the implementation of any ongoing programme and / or activity undertaken within the framework of this Memorandum.

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

Done at Doha on the 05 June of 2016 in two originals, each in English, Arabic and Hindi languages, all texts being equally authentic. In the event of a divergence in interpretation, the English text shall prevail.



**For the Government of  
The Republic of India**



**For the Government of  
The State of Qatar**