

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

BETWEEN

**THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC
OF INDIA**

AND

**THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC
OF MOZAMBIQUE**

ON

**COOPERATION IN THE FIELD OF
RURAL DEVELOPMENT**

The Government of the Republic of India and the Government of the Republic of Mozambique (herein referred to as the parties);

Desirous of further developing and strengthening friendly relations between the two countries;

Wishing to encourage and strengthen technical cooperation between the countries for the development of the rural sector;

Building on initiatives already underway to forge institutional links between the relevant counterparts;

Have reached the following understanding:

ARTICLE 1

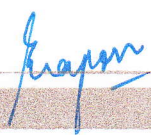
The parties agree, in accordance with their respective national legislations to encourage, develop and strengthen technical cooperation between the two countries in the field of rural development,

The implementing agency on behalf of the government of the Republic of India shall be the ministry of Rural Development (MRD-GOI) and on behalf of the government of the Republic of Mozambique, the implementing agency shall be the Ministry of State Administration, National Directorate for Rural Development (MAE-DNPDR).

In order to support the multi-dimensional approach for accelerating rural development in Mozambique, both implementing agencies will act as the nodal points to coordinate and facilitate appropriate technical cooperation, including the access to Indian expertise and resources through other Ministries, public sector agencies and institutions that can assist in fulfilling the objectives of this MOU.

ARTICLE II

The areas of collaborations may include but not be limited to local economic development and food security; rural and micro finance; rural markets; machinery and equipment; development of planned settlements; development and maintenance of rural access and connectivity; rural water supply & sanitation and minor irrigation; the use of new and renewable sources of energy; development of rural housing; establishment of sub-national administrative institutions; generation of wage and self-employment opportunities for the rural



poor; development of rural infrastructure using wage employment programmes and sector-specific human resource development.

ARTICLE III

The cooperation between the parties will be implemented through:

- I. Technical assistance through consultancies, feasibility studies, exchange study visits and fellowships by sector specialists;
- II. Transfer of appropriate technology, equipments and materials;
- III. Sector- specific in - country training (Mozambique) and training in India through established institutions and customized schemes and medium- term courses;
- IV. Institutional linkages and collaboration, to establish training facilities in Mozambique.

ARTICLE IV

This Memorandum of Understanding will be implemented through biennial work plans that will be developed jointly by both parties. The basis for the development of the work plans would be, but not limited to the needs identified by the MAE-DNPDR. These work plans may be initiated by either party but will require approval of both parties for implementation.

ARTICLE V

Research reports under the Memorandum of Understanding shall be published upon the agreement between the parties. The publications may be joint separate as determined by the parties in each specific case, except in the case of annual reports.

The parties agree to jointly publish annual reports on the progress of the cooperative programme.

ARTICLE VI

The expenditure towards the exchange of sector – specialists and technicians on study visits, training and consultancies will be borne jointly by the Ministry of Rural Development, Government of India and the Ministry of State Administration, National Directorate for Rural Development (MAE-DNPDR) - Government of

Mozambique respectively. International air - passages will be met by the sending side, while local hospitality will be provided for by the receiving side.

ARTICLES VII

The parties to this Memorandum of Understanding may, by mutual consent, add, modify, amend or delete any provisions for this memorandum of understanding.

ARTICLE VIII

Any dispute regarding the interpretation or application of this MoU will be resolved amicably by consultation between the parties

ARTICLE IX

The memorandum of understanding shall be effective from the date of its signing by the parties and shall remain in force until either party serves notice on the other of its intention to terminate it. In this event, the Memorandum of Understanding shall stand terminated at the end of one calendar month from the data of issue of such notice. But the termination of the Memorandum of Understanding shall not affect the validity or duration of specific collaborative programmes already being undertaken there under, unless decided otherwise by the parties by mutual consent.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned being duly authorized thereto by their respective Governments have signed this Memorandum of Understanding.

At Maputo, MOZAMBIQUE this 23rd day of April 2014 in three originals each, in English, Portuguese and Hindi, all texts being equally authentic. In case of any divergence in interpretation, the English text shall prevail.

FOR THE GOVERNMENT OF
THE REPUBLIC OF INDIA


(Pavan Kapoor)

High Commissioner of India

FOR THE GOVERNMENT OF THE
REPUBLIC OF MOZAMBIQUE


(Carmelita Rita Namashulua)
Minister of State Administration

