

**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE
GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF INDIA AND THE
GOVERNMENT OF THE KINGDOM OF DENMARK
ON COOPERATION IN AREAS OF
ENVIRONMENT**

The Government of the Republic of India and the Government of the Kingdom of Denmark (hereinafter referred to as “the Parties”);

Recognizing the global nature of many environmental issues and the urgency of finding cost effective and lasting solutions that are coherent with the need for economic growth and the fight against poverty;

Noting that environmental degradation is among the major global challenges;

Considering the strategic role of clean technology in addressing current global challenges and development needs;

Wishing to promote mutually beneficial cooperation in the field of sustainable development;

Bearing in mind that this Memorandum of Understanding is intended to provide a general framework for cooperation and to express the cooperative intent of the Parties,

Have reached the following understanding :

Article 1

The objective of this Memorandum of Understanding is to promote a mutually beneficial partnership between the Parties in the field of environmental sustainability.

Article 2

Within the field of environmental sustainability the following areas have been identified as high priority areas for cooperation between the Parties under the framework of this Memorandum of Understanding:

- a. Water pollution control;
- b. Air pollution control;
- c. Waste Management;
- d. Biodiversity conservation including;
 - (i) Bio-safety
 - (ii) Survey of Bio-resources
 - (iii) Wetland management
- e. Harmful chemicals management;
- f. Clean technologies including :
 - (i) clean water and air technologies;
 - (ii) waste handling technologies;
 - (iii) environmental monitoring technologies;
 - (iv) technologies to support substitution of harmful chemicals in processes and products.

Article 3

1. Cooperation between the Parties under this Memorandum of Understanding may be conducted in the form of:
 - a) exchange of information and documentation;
 - b) exchange visits by experts, scholars and delegations;
 - c) jointly organized seminars, workshops and meetings involving experts, scientists, private companies and other relevant agencies;
 - d) collaborative projects;
 - e) other forms of cooperation as mutually agreed upon.
2. Subject to national legislation and international agreements in force in both countries, the Parties shall adopt appropriate measures to protect the intellectual property rights arising under the implementation of this Memorandum of Understanding.

