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CULTURAL AGREEMENT¹ BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF INDIA

The Government of the Commonwealth of Australia and the Government of the Republic of India, hereinafter referred to as the "Parties",

Conscious of the cultural relations between their countries,

Inspired by a common desire to promote and develop closer cultural relations in the future, and

Desirous of promoting and deepening in every possible way and putting on a sound basis the relations and understanding between their countries,

Have agreed as follows:

Article I. Each Party shall, subject to the laws and regulations in force in its country, accord to the other Party every possible facility so as to assure the better understanding in its country of the other country, especially by means of:

- (a) Books, periodicals, and other publications;
- (b) Lectures, concerts and theatrical performances;
- (c) Art exhibitions, and other action to promote the knowledge and understanding of the art of the other country;
- (d) Other exhibitions;
- (e) Radio and other similar means;
- (f) Scientific, educational or cultural films.

Article II. 1. Both Parties shall encourage the exchange between their countries of professors, scholars, students and the members of scientific and cultural institutions.

2. Each Party shall, to the best of its ability, accord in the scientific, technical and industrial institutions of its country facilities for the training of employees of the other Party, or any other persons nominated by that Party.

Article III. Both Parties shall encourage and facilitate cooperation between their countries in the fields of education, literature, music, theatre, art and science and in other activities of a cultural nature.

Article IV. Each Party shall study measures to provide the nationals of the country of the other Party with scholarships and other facilities in order to enable such nationals to study and undertake research or to acquire technical training in its country.

Article V. Both Parties shall encourage, as far as possible, sports competitions and other contacts between nationals of their countries and collaboration between their youth organisations.

¹ Came into force on 21 October 1971 by signature, in accordance with article IX.

Article VI. Each Party shall, subject to the laws and regulations in force in its country, accord in its country to the nationals of the country of the other Party the facilities of, and access to, museums, libraries and other documentation centres normally open to the public.

Article VII. Each Party shall encourage tourist visits by its nationals to the country of the other Party in order to foster greater understanding and friendship between the two countries.

Article VIII. Representatives of both Parties shall meet at least once every two years, alternately in new Delhi and Canberra, to discuss the implementation of this Agreement.

Article IX. This Agreement shall come into force on signature, and shall remain in force until the expiration of the 180th day after the day on which either Party gives to the other written notice of its desire to terminate the Agreement.

DONE in duplicate at New Delhi this 21st day of October 1971 (corresponding to the 29th day of Asvina of the Saka year 1893) in the English and Hindi languages, both texts being equally authentic, except in the case of doubt when the English text shall prevail.

For the Government
of the Commonwealth of Australia:

[Signed]

KEITH WALLER

Secretary

Department of Foreign Affairs

For the Government
of the Republic of India:

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T. P. SINGH

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