AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE MINISTRY OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS OF THE REPUBLIC OF INDIA AND THE STATE COMMITTEE FOR SPORT OF TURKMENISTAN ON COOPERATION IN THE FIELD OF SPORTS

The Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports of the Republic of India and the, State Committee for Sport of Turkmenistan hereinafter referred to as the "Parties",

Aspiring to develop and strengthen cooperation in the field of sports on mutually-beneficial and long-term basis, confirming their commitment to goals and principles of the Olympic movement;

Pursuing the objective of improvement of health of both peoples, giving the young generation access to sports and a healthy life-style;

Based on principles of equality, mutual respect and mutual benefit;

Have agreed on the following:

Article 1

The Parties shall strengthen and encourage Turkmen-Indian cooperation in the field of sports in accordance with legislations of States of the Parties.

Article 2

The Parties shall promote establishment of business ties between sports societies and associations, participation in sports events, matches on various sports, holding joint training sessions and also exchange of specialized groups with the aim of visiting exhibitions, fairs, conferences, symposiums, seminars, festivals held on the territories of either of the States of the Parties as well as development of other forms of cooperation.

Article 3

- The Parties shall assist the cooperation in the field of arranging, management and exchange of experiences of large-scale sports, games and sports events.
- The Parties shall assist the development of cooperation in the field of sports medicine, sports psychology, pharmacology and scientific researches in sports medicine.

Article 4

The Parties in accordance with legislations of their States, shall aspire to simplification of border, customs, visa and other formalities related to mutual participation in sports events as well as to creation of conditions for providing security of athletes (sportsmen) of the other Party during their stay on their territories.

Article 5

The Parties shall help each other in training of professional personnel for the sphere of sports, encourage exchange of statistical information, including:

- a) on scientific researches in the field of sports;
- b) reference-information and advertising materials;
- c) on holding seminars for coaches and referees on various sports.

Article 6

The Parties agree to encourage exchange of specialists and research workers in the field of sports.

Article 7

Any difference arising out of the interpretation and implementation or application of any of the provisions of this Agreement shall be resolved amicably through consultations or negotiations between the Parties.

Article 8

On mutual consent of the Parties, amendments can be made to this Agreement, which will be formalized by appropriate protocol that is an integral part of this Agreement.

Article 9

This Agreement comes into force from the date of its signing.

This Agreement shall remain in force for a period of 5(five) years. Thereafter, it shall be automatically renewed for subsequent periods of five years at a time, unless either of the Parties terminates the present Agreement by giving a written notice of its intention to terminate to the other Party at least six (6) months in advance.

Termination of the present Agreement shall not affect the implementation of the projects and/or activities which are already in progress under the Agreement and shall be continued in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Agreement.

IN WITNESS THEREOF, the undersigned being duly authorized thereto by their respective governments, have signed this Agreement.

Done at Ashgabat on «11th July, 2015» in two originals, each in Hindi, Turkmen and English languages, all texts being equally authentic. In case of divergence in interpretation, the English text shall prevail.

For the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports of the Republic of India For the State Committee for Sport of Turkmenistan

(Navtej Sarna)

Secretary (West)

Ministry of External Affairs

(Kakabay Seydov)

Chairman of the State Committee

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