

## Memorandum of Understanding


Observer Research Foundation (ORF) 20, Rouse Avenue, New Delhi - 110 002, India and Bangladesh Enterprise Institute (BEI), House 3A, Road 50 Gulshan - 2, Dhaka 1212, Bangladesh agree to establish this general agreement to foster their bilateral cooperation in research and formulation of policy recommendations etc. on issues of interest to both countries. This cooperation between the parties will be based on the following parameters:

1. Both the parties shall, on the basis of consultation, cooperate with each other in research projects and exchange programme of common interest. Subjects for joint research subjects will be identified with mutual concurrence of the parties.
2. It is understood that all projects will result in a document, such as a book, monograph, policy brief etc.
3. Books and Papers etc. emanating from joint programmes will be published jointly. Material approved for publication by the two parties will be submitted, before publication, for peer review to ensure its high quality. Questions pertaining to the sharing of costs of preparation and publication of books and papers etc and their dissemination will be determined by mutual agreement between the two parties on a case by case basis.
4. Each project will be led by Coordinators to be nominated by the respective parties.
5. Modalities including financial arrangements will be decided on a project-to-project basis through mutual agreement between the parties.
6. To strengthen the institutional relationship, ORF and BEI agree
  - a) to promote a scholar exchange programme on a mutually agreed schedule
  - and
  - b) each party shall invite on reciprocal basis, participants from the other party to international conferences, round tables and dialogues hosted by it on topics relevant to both the countries.
7. ORF will meet the Indian segment of the cost of such exchange programme. Basically, these expenses will relate to organizing meetings/conferences, boarding and lodging of participants and their local transport. ORF will also meet the travel costs of an Indian team going to Bangladesh. Similarly, BEI will do the same for the Bangladesh segment on reciprocal basis.
8. ORF and BEI shall regularly exchange their publications.



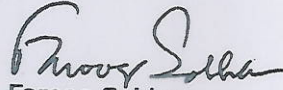
9. This MOU takes effect from the date of signing, and its duration shall be for a period of 3 years from the effective date.
10. Any clause or article of the MOU may be modified or amended by mutual agreement of ORF and BEI.
11. During its tenancy, the MOU may be extended or terminated by a prior notice of not less than three months by either party.

For and on behalf of the  
observer Research Foundation

  
Baljit Kapoor  
Honorary Secretary



For and on behalf of the  
Bangladesh Enterprise Institute

  
Farooq Sobhan  
President

New Delhi  
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