

**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE
GOVERNMENT OF THE KINGDOM OF BAHRAIN AND THE
GOVERNMENT OF THE ISLAMIC REPUBLIC OF PAKISTAN
ON COOPERATION IN YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS**

The Government of the Kingdom of Bahrain and the Government of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan (hereinafter referred to individually as a "Participant" and collectively as the "Participants ",)

Desiring to further promote, strengthen and expand existing friendly relations and cooperation between the two countries in the fields of Youth Affairs and Sports,

Seeking to encourage and develop their cordial bilateral relationship through exchange of programs aimed at sportsmen related personnel and youth mutual interests and benefits,

HAVE REACHED THE FOLLOWING UNDERSTANDING:

Paragraph 1

GENERAL

OBJECTIVES

This Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) will provide the necessary framework for promoting bilateral cooperation in the field of youth affairs and sports based on mutual benefit in the manner described herein.

Paragraph 2

APPLICABLE LAW

This MOU does not create any legally binding rights, obligations or responsibilities on the Participants. The implementation of this MOU must be in accordance with the national laws of each Participant.

Paragraph 3

RELATION WITH OTHER

AGREEMENTS

Cooperation under this MOU will not affect the rights and obligations of the Participant arising from international agreements.

Paragraph 4

COOPERATION IN SPORTS

In order to fulfill the previously mentioned objectives, the Participant will work towards strengthening their bilateral cooperation in sports, through:

- a. Exchange of youth/junior sports teams in various disciplines not limited to Badminton, Basketball, Cricket, Football, Shooting, Squash, Swimming, Tennis, Table Tennis and Volleyball;
- b. Exchange of experts, coaches, academicians and officials in order to share experience and expertise and interaction through meetings and conferences
- c. Research and studies cooperation in the fields of technology, infrastructure, doping and other areas related to sports;
- d. Arranging friendly competitions between sports clubs or national teams in all sports disciplines for training;
- e. Sharing of literature and other material, information, documentation and films for development of sports;
- f. Exchange of invitations to participate and attend international sporting events held in each country; and
- g. Other areas deemed necessary in the field of sports and agreed upon for mutual benefit within the framework of this MoU.

Paragraph 5

COOPERATION IN YOUTH AFFAIRS

In order to fulfill the previously mentioned objectives, the Participant will work towards strengthening their bilateral cooperation in the field of youth affairs, through:

- a) participation in the seminars, exhibitions and conferences, held in the two countries, on regional and international matters of youth and to promote understanding of the culture and civilization of the two countries
- b) exchange of experts, academicians and officials in order to share both academic and practical experiences and expertise through meetings and conferences and symposia in the field of youth affairs;
- c) sharing of literature and other material, information, documentation and films about youth, youth policies, and youth development programs and youth organizations;

- d) Exchange of youth delegations comprising 10 to 20 youth and representatives of youth organizations for a period of 5 to 7 days to get familiarization with youth organizations and youth development programs. The period may be shortened or expanded as the Participant may agree in writing; and
- e) Other areas deemed necessary in the field of youth affairs and agreed upon for mutual benefit within the framework of this MoU.

Paragraph 6

FINANCING

The exchange of sports delegations, teams, coaches, officials and youth groups shall be carried out in accordance with an annual schedule that shall be agreed upon by the Parties. The host Participant shall pay for accommodation, subsistence, internal surface transport during the stay of the visiting delegations/teams in the territory of the host Participant and medical care in case of emergency. The visiting Participant shall pay for air tickets, including internal travel as per the program agreed by the Participants. In the case of travel in furtherance of the interests of only one of the Participants, such Participant shall pay all relevant costs.

This MoU will constitute a general framework for collaboration between the Participants, hence signing the same will not entail any financial obligations.

Paragraph 7

IMPLEMENTATION

The Participants will agree on the implementation and development of schedules within the framework of this MoU through meetings, mail and other means. Each Participant will be responsible for coordinating the implementation of the parts of the schedule concerning such Participant. The Participant will sign the schedules in the last quarter of the year prior to its implementation.

The Participant will form a Joint Committee comprising officials of the two countries, which will convene a meeting whenever required to prepare the program for cooperation within the framework of this MoU.

Paragraph 8

AMENDMENT

This MoU may be amended or modified at any time through mutual written consent of the Participants. Such amendment will come into effect on the date determined by both Participants.

Paragraph 9

DISPUTE RESOLUTION

Any disputes that may arise out of or from the interpretation or application of the provisions of the MoU will be settled amicably through consultations or negotiation between the Participants.

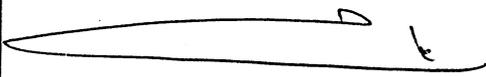
Paragraph 10

ENTRY INTO FORCE, VALIDITY AND TERMINATION

This MoU will enter into force from the date of Signature by the Participants. This MoU will remain valid for a period of five (5) years. Thereafter, it will be renewed automatically for successive periods of one year, unless either of the Participants notifies the other Participant through diplomatic channels in writing about its intention to terminate it three months prior to its expiration date.

The termination of this MoU will not affect the implementation of ongoing activities and programs which have been decided by the Participants prior to the date of termination of this MoU.

Done at Manama, Bahrain on 16 December 2019 in two originals, each in the Arabic and English languages, both texts being equally authentic. In case of any divergence in interpretation between the texts, the English text shall prevail.



**For the Government of the
Kingdom of Bahrain**



**For the Government of The
Islamic Republic of Pakistan**
