

**"Memorandum of Understanding
between the Government of the Republic of India and the Royal Government of Bhutan
for Providing Technical Assistance to National Environment Commission Secretariat,
Bhutan (2013-2016)"**

Central Pollution Control Board (hereinafter called CPCB) on behalf of Ministry of Environment & Forests, Government of India (hereinafter called MoEF) shall provide following technical support to National Environment Commission Secretariat, Royal Government of Bhutan (hereinafter called NECS):

- (i) Technical assistance for developing strategy and plan for monitoring and management of air and water quality and environmental standards in Bhutan.
- (ii) Institutional linkage with NECS to enhance capabilities in Bhutan on ambient air and water quality monitoring and compliance monitoring of industries.
- (iii) Training on air and water quality monitoring and assessment to the officials and Technicians of NECS including short-term attachment training and refresher courses.
- (iv) Support NECS with training and technical capacity building for vehicular emission tests and monitoring.
- (v) Support and access to use of facilities available at CPCB Head-quarters/ Zonal Laboratories/ State laboratories for analyzing samples from Bhutan.

Under this MoU the following financial arrangements shall be followed:-

- a) Fee and honoraria for Consultants/ Experts/ Lecturers /Trainers being involved in preparation and execution of above mentioned activities shall be borne by CPCB.
- b) Costs for training and teaching materials shall be borne by CPCB.
- c) Costs related to the preparation and implementation of training concepts/courses, hands on training field/ site visits etc. shall be borne by CPCB.
- d) Further costs towards usage and operation of infrastructure, equipment, sampling, analysis, surveys, supporting manpower etc. in India shall be borne by CPCB.
- e) However, costs of International and local travel, accommodation, daily allowance per diems for NECS officials while on tour to India and CPCB officials on tour to Bhutan shall be borne by NECS.

A detailed action plan and time schedule for three years shall be jointly prepared by CPCB and NECS for initiating the activities.

Any Amendments and additions to this MoU shall be made on mutual basis through consultation between the CPCB and NECS.

Any dispute or difference that may arise out of the implementation of this Memorandum of Understanding shall be settled amicably through consultation between the CPCB and NECS.

The present MoU shall come into force from the date of its signature and shall remain in force for a period of three (3) years, that is upto 10th March, 2016.

In witness thereof, the undersigned representatives being duly authorized thereto, have signed this Memorandum of Understanding.

Signed at New Delhi on the 11th March, 2013 in two originals in English language.



(REPRESENTATIVE OF THE NECS)



(AJAY TYAGI)

Chairman

Central Pollution Control Board
(REPRESENTATIVE OF MoEF)

(D. UGENDRA TSHEWANG)

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