



**MEMORANDUM OF
UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE
SUPREME COURT OF BHUTAN AND
THE SUPREME COURT OF INDIA IN
THE FIELD OF JUDICIAL
COOPERATION**



The Supreme Court of Bhutan and the Supreme Court of India, hereinafter referred to as the "Contracting Parties"

Informed by similar social, cultural and philosophical values;

Inspired by the special ties of friendship and cooperation between the two countries and their peoples; and desirous of developing, promoting and strengthening cooperation between the judiciaries of the two countries;

Have concluded this Memorandum of Understanding hereinafter referred to as MOU, as follows:

Article 1

The contracting parties hereby agree to develop, promote and strengthen the judicial cooperation.

Article 2

The contracting parties shall promote mutual interaction among judges and officials at various levels of the judiciaries through programmes such as exchange of visits, short and long terms trainings and academic programs.

Article 3

The contracting parties shall encourage mutual exchange of information on latest developments in the field of law and justice.

Article 4

The contracting parties agree to share experiences pertaining to information technology employed in their respective Courts and other institutions recognising its importance to clear backlog, expedite court procedures and provide better service to court users.

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Article 5

The contracting parties shall form a Joint Working Group to work out strategies and modalities for promoting and further strengthening mutual cooperation.

Article 6

The contracting parties may recommend to their respective governments to implement the spirit of this MOU.

Article 7

This MOU shall come into force on the date of signature by both Contracting Parties.

Article 8

This MOU may be modified or amended through mutual consent of the Contracting Parties.

In the case of termination of the present MOU all activities undertaken on its basis shall be fully implemented under the same conditions as they have been started.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the undersigned, duly authorised thereto by their respective Governments, have signed the present MOU.

Done at Thimphu on 9th October 2024 in two originals each in the English Language.

For the Supreme Court of India

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