MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN SARDAR VALLABHBHAI PATEL NATIONAL POLICE ACADEMY, HYDERABAD AND

MALDIVES POLICE SERVICE FOR CAPACITY BUILDING & AREAS OF COOPERATION

This Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) is to establish mutual cooperation in the sphere of training management and exchange of trainers and trainees between Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel National Police Academy, Hyderabad, India and Academic Institutions of Maldives Police Service, Maldives hereinafter referred to as the "Parties".

Focusing on great importance of co-operation in sharing knowledge, best practices and experiences related to police training,

Realizing such cooperation will be beneficial for both parties in imparting high standard training in the respective stakeholders,

Considering that both parties hold strong areas and expertise to share and

Taking into consideration implementation of the Indian Government grant project to build a Police Academy namely National College For Police And Law Enforcement (NCPLE) at Addu, Maldives:

The Parties have reached the following understanding:

ARTICLE -1 SCOPE OF APPLICATION

- (a) This MoU is inlended to strengthen and increase cooperation between the parties aiming at an institutional arrangement resulting in sharing knowledge and experience through trainers and trainees exchange programme.
- (b) The Parties intend to cooperate in accordance with their respective domestic laws and international obligations.

ARTICLE - 2 PURPOSE

- (a) This MoU is built upon existing cooperative arrangements for the purpose of enhancing policing capabilities of both parties and is not intended to create any legal relationship between the Parties and is not intended to have any legal binding on either party.
- (b) This MoU will not preclude the Parties from expanding into other mutually acceptable forms of cooperation especially related to training.

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ARTICLE -3 FORMS OF COOPERATION

Cooperation and exchange programmes cover the following areas:

- (a) Exchanging knowledge and information on matters related to police training;
- (b) Assisting each other with high standard and updated training curricula;
- (c) Conducting joint workshops, researches and seminars on new ideas, innovations and expertise for mutual benefit;
- (d) Arranging meetings and conferences intended to foster mutually beneficial exchange of information, expertise and experiences:
- (e) Conducting short visits of delegations in either premises for better assessing of individual needs and extending cooperation accordingly;
- (f) Deputation of officers may be arranged in either party's premises in mutual areas of interest.
- Exchange of police personnel for short and mid-term specialized training courses;
- (h) Organizing programs of mutual participation in organizational capacity and faculty development projects;
- (i) Carrying out training the trainers programs, as required;
- (j) Exchanging of best practices in relation to training programmes;
- (k) Any other areas of cooperation as mutually agreed to by the Parties.

ARTICLE -4 NODAL OFFICER

To facilitate comprehensive and successful implementation of commitments contained in this MoU both parties shall provide the name, designation and contact details of the officer of their organization who will function as the nodal officer with regard to all matters and requests pertaining to this MoU.

ARTICLE -5 CONFIDENTIALITY

Unless otherwise indicated in writing about confidentiality, information provided by one party to the other will be considered as confidential and will not be disclosed to the public, the media or to any third party without prior written consent of the Party that provided the information. This is a continuing obligation and will survive even after termination or expiry of this MoU.

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ARTICLE -6 HOLDING SEMINARS, WORKSHOPS, CONFERENCES AND MEETINGS

The parties may hold seminars, conferences, workshops and meetings in either Party's premises or invite each other in a third party conference if they deem it necessary for mutual interest. Video conferencing online lecture sharing etc., will be conducted as and when felt necessary. One Party may seek collaboration on individual research projects and the other party will give prompt response to such request for mutually beneficial projects/programmes.

ARTICLE - 7 EXPENSES

Each party is to be responsible for its own expenses related to implementation of this MoU unless the Parties otherwise "Mutually agree in writing".

ARTICLE - 8 ASSESSING EFFECTIVENESS OF COOPERATION

To assess the effectiveness of this MoU and to work out ways to further its implementation, the Parties may periodically arrange meetings, conferences and workshops by turn at least once in each calendar year or as and when deemed necessary.

ARTICLE - 9 COMPATIBILITY AND OTHER AGREEMENTS

Assistance and procedures set forth in this MoU shall not preclude either party from providing assistance to or receiving assistance from any other institutions through other applicable agreements or domestic law.

ARTICLE -10 LANGUAGE

Communications shall be made in the English language, Training documents and materials shall be accompanied by English Translation, if not in English language.

ARTICLE -11 SETTLEMENT OF DIFFERENCES

The Parties shall endeavour to settle disputes concerning the interpretation or application of this MoU through direct negotiations and consultations.

ARTICLE - 12 ENTRY INTO FORCE, AMENDMENT AND TERMINATION

- (a) This Memorandum will come into effect on the date of its signing by the Parties.
- (b) This Memorandum will remain in effect for five (5) years and may be

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extended for an additional period of three (3) years upon expiry as mutually agreed to by the Parties.

- (c) This Memorandum may be amended by mutual written consent of the Parties. The amendments will come into effect on a date to be mutually determined by the Parties.
- (d) The MOU may be terminated by either party by giving a written notice of its intention to the other party to terminate at least three (3) months in advance.
- (e) The termination of this MoU shall not affect the completion of projects undertaken by the Parties prior to the termination thereof or the full execution of any cooperative activity that has not been fully executed at the time of termination unless otherwise agreed upon in writing by the Parties.

Signed in Addu City on 26 March, 2022 in 2 (two) originals in English.

For the Maldives Police Service Government of Maldives

For the Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel National Police Academy, Hyderabad

Mohamed Hameed Commissioner of Police Atul Karwal Director

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