

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING
BETWEEN
THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF INDIA
AND
THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF THE UNION OF
MYANMAR
ON BORDER COOPERATION.

THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF INDIA AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF THE UNION OF MYANMAR, hereinafter referred to as "the Parties".

Recognising that peace, tranquility, security and stability along the International Border is crucial for overall development and prosperity;

Reaffirming the shared commitment to fight the scourge of terrorism and insurgent activity in all its forms and manifestations and combat smuggling of arms, drugs, wildlife and wildlife articles, other contraband and human-trafficking;

Recalling the existing bilateral mechanisms between the two Armed Forces, the Drug Control Agencies and the Wildlife Crime Control Bureau, on aspects relating to border security;

Realising the need for opening and maintaining channels of communications for real time exchange of information, nominating Nodal Officers for exchange of information, and where necessary and as agreed, carrying out coordinated patrols on respective sides of the land as well as maritime border;

Desiring to strengthen the existing bilateral border cooperation between the two Armed Forces for ensuring peace and tranquility on both sides of the land and maritime border;

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Recognising the need for both parties to pay respect to and abide by the international boundary and the need for real time coordination in case of illegal border crossing;

HAVE AGREED to the following:-

**ARTICLE 1
REGULAR MEETINGS**

Hold regular meetings between the two Armed Forces as per details in Annexure-I to this Memorandum and between Drug Control Agencies and Wildlife Crime Control Bureau.

**ARTICLE 2
DESIGNATION OF NODAL OFFICERS**

Nominate Nodal Points for Security Cooperation and Wildlife Crime Control as per details provided in Annexure-II to this Memorandum, as a single point of contact for sharing of information, raising queries and coordinating all activities relating to Border Cooperation. The nodal points shall be established and made functional within 90 days of the signing of this MoU.

**ARTICLE 3
CHANNELS OF COMMUNICATION**

Maintain channels of communication, as per details in Annexure-III to this Memorandum, between the respective Armed Forces for timely sharing of information on real time basis for the conduct of effective anti-insurgency operations.

**ARTICLE 4
CONDUCT OF COORDINATED PATROLS**

1. Conduct of coordinated patrols on respective sides of the International Border and the Maritime Boundary between the respective Armed Forces.
2. Share information pertaining to conduct of anti-insurgency operations in the border areas, apprehension of arms smugglers and drug traffickers.

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and seizures of wildlife and wildlife articles. The nodal points designated by both sides should carry out the sharing of such information and the information shared between the parties shall only be used by authorized personnel for the purpose for which it was shared.

3. The modalities of patrol activity along the international border may be decided at the meetings of the Regional Border Committee referred to at Annexure-I of this MoU and the coordination of patrolling activity shall be carried out through the nodal points designated by both sides.

4. The modalities of coordinated patrol activity along the Maritime Boundary shall be decided between the nodal points, which shall be designated by the Ministries of Defence of both countries.

ARTICLE 5 SECURITY

The Territories of either country, including maritime and airspace, would not be allowed to be used for activities inimical to the other, including for training, sanctuary, illegal border crossing and other operations by terrorist and insurgent organisations/ inimical organisations/ inimical forces and their operatives.

ARTICLE 6 BORDER MANAGEMENT

Adhering to para 7.9 of the agreed minutes of the 5th meeting between the Heads of the Survey Departments of both countries approved by the authorities concerned of both parties, no construction of any structure shall be made within 10 metres on each side of the International Boundary Line (IBL). If any construction within the 10 metres "no construction zone" on either side of the IBL is discovered, action would be taken to carry out complete removal after joint consultations and immediate joint inspection.

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ARTICLE 7
PREVENTION OF ILLEGAL ACTIVITIES
ACROSS THE BORDER

Both parties shall take necessary measures to prevent their citizens from carrying out illegal activities on the other party's soil, including illegal cutting, cultivation, grazing, hunting and fishing. The parties shall notify and deal with such incidents after mutual consultations and in accordance with the relevant laws and regulations of the concerned country.

ARTICLE 8
CROSS BORDER CRIMES

In cases of cross-border crimes, including smuggling, drug-trafficking, human-trafficking and weapons and explosives smuggling, the parties shall conduct investigation as soon as possible and consult each other under the aegis of respective law enforcement agencies for a resolution in accordance with the relevant laws and regulations of the two countries.

ARTICLE 9
ADVANCE NOTICE FOR ACTIVITIES
ALONG THE BORDER AREA

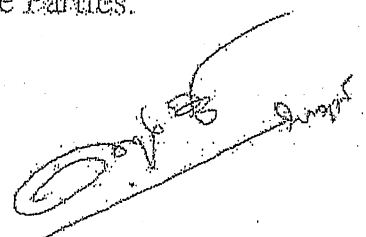
Advance notice shall be given 72 hours ahead to the other Party for engineering demolition and mining, and where feasible, military training exercises planned to be carried out within 2 kms from the IBL between the two countries.

ARTICLE 10
HOSPITALITY

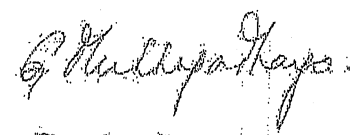
Each Party shall be responsible for the travel expenses of its delegation to and from the host country. The expenses for the accommodation, meals, domestic transport and meeting related activities shall be borne by the host Party.

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Done at 8th on May, 2014 by the following representatives authorized by the respective Parties.



For the Government of the Republic
Of the Union of Myanmar
Major General Kyaw Nyunt
Deputy Minister of Defence



For the Government of
the Republic of India
Mr. Gautam Mukhopadhaya
the Ambassador of India



ANNEXURE-I

Regular Meetings

(i) Regional Border Committee Meeting (RBC); General Officer Commanding 3 Corps (GOC 3 Corps-India) and Commander of the North West Command (Myanmar) will chair six monthly talks which will include representatives from the Home Affairs, Foreign Affairs, Border Guarding Forces, to be hosted alternatively in India and Myanmar.

(ii) Monthly field level meeting between the respective Post Commanders at the following 6 (six) places:

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| (a) | Nampong (Arunachal Pradesh) | - | Pangsau (Sagaing) |
| (b) | Longwa, Mon District (Nagaland) | - | Yankyone (Sagaing) |
| (c) | Moreh (Manipur) | - | Tamu (Sagaing) |
| (d) | Behiang (Manipur) | - | Chikka (Chin) |
| (e) | Zokhwatar (Mizoram) | - | Reid (Chin) |
| (f) | BP-21 (Mizoram) | - | BP-21 (Chin) |

The post level meeting will be conducted once every month or as required by the field commanders. The battalion commanders on both sides will attend these meetings as much as possible at least once a quarter. Post level meetings at additional locations may be decided upon at the RBC meetings.

(iii) Sectoral Level Meeting (SLM) at the level of the Joint Secretary/ Director General, Ministry of Home Affairs would be held once every six month alternatively in India and Myanmar.

(iv) National Level Meeting (NLM) at the level of Home Secretary/ Deputy Minister for Home Affairs would be held once every year alternatively in India and Myanmar.

(v) Meetings between Drug Control Agencies of both the countries will be held once a year at Director General level and twice a year at Deputy Director General level to be hosted alternatively in India and Myanmar.

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ANNEXURE-II

Nodal Points for Security Cooperation**From India:-**

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Nodal Points for Wildlife Crime Control**From India:-**

Designation: Additional Director,

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From Myanmar:-

Designation: Deputy Director

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Ministry of Environmental Conservation and Forestry

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Intelligence Agencies

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From Myanmar:-

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