Agreement
on
Scientific Cooperation
between
The Indian National Science Academy
and
The Japan Society for the Promotion of Science

The Indian National Science Academy and the Japan Society for the Promotion of Science (hereinafter referred to as the Organizations) have agreed to conclude the following Agreement:

Article I (Purpose and Fields of Cooperation)

The purpose of this Agreement is to further strengthen cooperation in scientific research between India and Japan. The Organizations will, on the basis of equality and mutual benefit, promote and support scientific cooperation between Indian and Japanese scientists, who are of postdoctoral or higher level and affiliated with universities or research institutes in the respective countries in the fields of natural sciences.

Article II (Forms of Cooperation)

The program shall include the following cooperative activities:

a) Support of joint research projects
b) Support of joint seminars
c) Other cooperative activities as may be mutually agreed upon
Article III (Joint Research Projects)

Joint Research Projects are to be conducted as follows:

(1) The Organizations will support joint research projects implemented on specific subjects with the participation of scientists from each country.

(2) The duration of a joint research project will be up to three years.

(3) The sending Organization will bear the international travel costs of the visiting researchers and the receiving Organization will cover their daily allowances, accommodations, and domestic travel while in the host country. Each Organization will bear a limited amount of research expenses for the participants from its own country.

(4) The Organizations will select joint research projects via consultation based on their respective peer review results of submitted proposals.

(5) The number of joint research projects to be supported each year will be mutually approved in advance by both Organizations.

Article IV (Joint Seminars)

Joint Seminars are to be conducted as follows:

(1) The Organizations will support joint scientific seminars on specific subjects with the participation of scientists from each country once every two years.

(2) Joint scientific seminars are to be meetings held on a small scale. The meeting duration would not exceed one week.

(3) The sending Organization will bear the international travel costs of the visiting researchers and the receiving Organization will cover their daily allowances, accommodations and domestic travel while in the host country. The host Organization will also cover other costs related to holding the seminar.

(4) The Organizations will select joint seminars via consultation based on their respective peer review results of submitted proposals.

(5) The number and fields of joint seminars to be supported will be mutually agreed upon in advance by both the Organizations.
Article V (Observation of the Regulations)

The Organizations will require participating scientists to abide by the laws of the receiving country and regulations of the host institutions.

Article VI (Intellectual Property)

The Organizations will encourage researchers and their institutions to ensure the protection and proper distribution of intellectual property rights resulting from projects funded under this Agreement. Due acknowledgement of support received from the Organizations should be made in any publication resulting from the research.

Article VII (Other Details)

Administrative procedures and implementation details not prescribed in this Agreement will be determined by mutual agreement between both Organizations either through negotiation or via correspondence.

Article VIII (Amendment)

Either Organization may at any time propose amendments or modifications to this Agreement, which will take effect upon approval by the other Organization.

Article IX (Validity, Termination)

This Agreement shall enter into force on the date of its signing and will remain in force for a period of five years, and shall duly supersede the Agreement dated June 28, 1976. This Agreement will continue in force thereafter for successive periods of five years each unless either Organization notifies in writing the other its intention to terminate it, in which case any existing activities will be brought to an orderly conclusion. Notification shall be made at least one year in advance of the termination of the Agreement.
This Agreement is made and signed on October 6, 2011, in duplicate in English, both having equal validity.

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