



ESTABLISHMENT OF A SISTER STATE PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT

Between

THE STATE OF TELANGANA, REPUBLIC OF INDIA

And

THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY, UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

State of Telangana of the Republic of India and the State of New Jersey of the United States of America (hereinafter referred to as "Parties");

In order to strengthen the partnership and good relationship between the peoples of the State of New Jersey and the State of Telangana for the mutual benefit of their citizens, the Parties have mutually agreed to the following:

The Parties, subject to the provisions of this Agreement, decide to develop strong, deep and long term cooperation between them, primarily in the following areas, in order to:

- Further develop the mutual understanding of shared issues and concerns of the Governments and peoples of New Jersey and Telangana, as they relate to economic, cultural, and educational development;
- Enhance mechanisms for further dialogue through which the Governments and peoples of New Jersey and Telangana may exchange views, and arrange to undertake such joint actions as may be of mutual benefit;
- Support mutually beneficial educational and business opportunities, including the potential coordination of efforts to encourage mutual visits of academic, scientific, and business delegations;
- Identify opportunities for joint industrial research and development collaborations between New Jersey and Telangana, including the establishment of mechanisms to promote scientific and technological cooperation between the two States;
- Facilitate favorable conditions for cooperation in areas of economic development, IT, Pharma & Life Sciences, Biotech, Fintech, Media, Data Centres, clean energy, higher education, tourism, culture, and healthcare, to include the establishment of direct contacts between peoples, enterprises, and organizations;
- Support mutually beneficial trade and investment partnership opportunities, including the identification and development of joint cooperative initiatives and efforts in areas such as research, industry, commerce, tourism, and other related fields;

- Promote and participate in initiatives which further cultural exchanges in music, the performing and visual arts, sports, health, and related areas; and
- Maintain open lines of communication to encourage continued discussions and develop programs and activities of mutual interest to New Jersey's and Telangana's respective people.

The cooperation described in this Sister State Partnership Agreement shall be subject to the applicable laws, decrees, and regulations of both the United States of America, the State of New Jersey and the State of Telangana, and the Republic of India, and will be implemented within the limits of the States' respective financial, material, capabilities and within their competence.

This Sister State Partnership Agreement shall not create legal relationship between the State of Telangana and the State of New Jersey.

This Agreement may be amended by the mutual written agreement between the Parties.

This Agreement will take effect on the date of its signature and shall remain in force until December, 2022. Either Party may terminate the said Agreement through advance notice of three months.

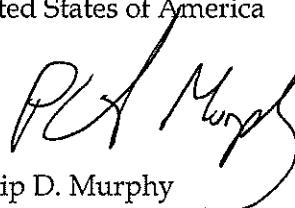
This Sister State Partnership Agreement is signed in the City of Hyderabad, State of Telangana, Republic of India on 18th September, 2019, as witnessed by officials of the New Jersey State Government and the Telangana State Government.

For the State Government of Telangana
Republic of India



State of Telangana
Republic of India

For the State Government of New Jersey
United States of America



Philip D. Murphy
Governor
State of New Jersey
United States of America

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