MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE BUREAU OF INDIAN STANDARDS AND THE JORDAN STANDARDS AND METROLOGY ORGANIZATION

For

Co-operation in the fields of Standardization and Conformity Assessment

The Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS), New Delhi, India and Jordan Standards and Metrology Organization, Jordan hereinafter referred to collectively as "the Parties";

Desiring, in a spirit of co-operation and mutual interest, to enhance and strengthen technical co-operation in the fields of standardization, and conformity assessment with the aim of exchanging necessary information and expertise between the Parties.

HAVE reached the following understanding:

ARTICLE 1 Objective

The objectives of this Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) is to facilitate closer cooperation and provide a mechanism by which Parties can work together towards the common aim of strengthening standardization, and conformity assessment activities and facilitate sharing of expertise and mutual trade.

ARTICLE 2 Areas of Cooperation

The Parties shall, within their competence and in accordance with their respective relevant laws and regulations, encourage and promote cooperation in the areas of:

2.1 Standardization

- (1) The Parties shall exchange information and normative documents in the fields of standardization. These will include organizational structure for standardization, rules and procedures for standards formulation, standards work programmes for standards formulation, National Standards upon request, comments on international standards at various stages of development, etc.
- (2) The Parties shall exchange scientific and technical information on issues / areas of standardization mutually agreed upon.

2.2 Conformity Assessment

2.2.1 Certification

- (1) The Parties shall study each other's organizational structure, and the rules and procedures for third party product certification, to the extent as may be appropriate with the aim of entering Bilateral Cooperation Arrangement for utilizing each others inspection services.
- (2) The Parties shall exchange in-house manuals for product certification, to the extent as may be appropriate.
- (3) The Parties shall exchange technical information on certification activities upon their consensual agreement for the development of their activities.

2.2.2 Testing

(1) The Parties shall exchange information in relation to testing facilities available in their laboratories and/or network.

2.3 Technical Information

The Parties shall exchange information relating to compilation, storage, retrieval, application and dissemination of scientific and technical information on standardization, and conformity assessment.

2.4 Training

The Parties shall provide training for the other Party's personnel in the field of standardization, and conformity assessment on reciprocal basis and other areas of mutual interest, as may be appropriate.

ARTICLE 3 Financing

The Parties shall bear the costs related to any activity arising from or as a result of this MoU on terms to be mutually agreed between the Parties.

ARTICLE 4 Amendment

This MoU may be amended or supplemented at any time by written agreement between the Parties.

ARTICLE 5 Language

Parties agree to use English as the working language for giving effect to the provisions of this MoU.

ARTICLE 6 Dispute Settlement

Any dispute, disagreement or claim arising out of the interpretation or implementation of this MoU shall be settled amicably by consultations and negotiation between the Parties.

ARTICLE 7 Implementation

Implementation of this MoU would be achieved by regular exchange of delegations and monitoring of Annual Cooperation Programs drawn through separate mutual agreements between the Parties.

ARTICLE 8 Final Provision

- (1) This MoU shall be in force for three years from the date of its signature by the Parties. Thereafter, it will be automatically renewed for subsequent periods of three years.
- (2) This MoU may be terminated at any time by either Party by giving at least four months' prior notice to the other Party in writing.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, THE UNDERSIGNED BEING DULY AUTHORISED BY THEIR RESPECTIVE ORGANISATIONS HAVE SIGNED THE PRESENT MoU.

Done in duplicate in Jordan this 11th day of October two-thousand and fifteen, in English and all texts being equally authentic.

For Bureau of Indian Standards

(Anil Wadhwa)

Secretary(East)

Ministry of External Affairs

For The Jordan Standards and Metrology Organization

Mohammad Taisir Bani Yassen)

Secretary General

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