

AGREEMENT BETWEEN  
GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
AND  
GOVERNMENT OF MAURITIUS  
ON  
DRUG TRAFFICKING AND  
RELATED MATTERS

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DURING the discussions held between Government of India and Government of Mauritius, the two sides expressed the resolve and commitment of their respective Governments in combating drug trafficking between India and Mauritius as well as in cases which might take place in either country and have ramifications in the other. The two sides also agreed to intensify their efforts by co-operating with each other to check the menace of Drug Trafficking and Abuse.

2. THE two sides agreed for designation of agencies and officers through whom regular exchange of information may be effected. It is agreed that on matters relating to drug trafficking, nodal agency would be NARCOTICS CONTROL BUREAU in respect of India and PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE in respect of Mauritius. A list of postal addresses, telephones and telex numbers of the nodal agencies and the contact officers is at Appendix-I.

3. THE two sides agreed that the exchange of information will be channelised through the nodal agencies' officers specified above and, after gaining some experience this may be extended to regional and field levels, if considered necessary. The nature of intelligence/information which may be exchanged

between the two countries would be of two types:-

- (A) Operational intelligence which may be communicated through the fastest means of communication, viz., telephone and telex;
- (B) Information of a detailed nature which would be communicated through correspondence in order to build up dossiers in respect of smugglers, suspects, financiers, organisers, etc.

ON the issue of exchange of information on Drug Traffickers operating between the two countries, it is agreed that the normal exchange would take place in the formats as at Appendices-II and III. While the normal mode of exchange of information and operational intelligence on matters relating to drug trafficking would be in the prescribed format, any other information of significance may be exchanged even outside the formation "as and when necessary" basis.

4. WITH regard to the steps to be taken by either side to identify the notorious smugglers/drug traffickers/syndicates and to neutralise their activities, it is agreed that both the countries will endeavour to take firm steps in this regard.

5. THE two sides agreed to exchange information on routes, new methods and means used for drug trafficking and the emerging trends in the field.

6. IN regard to exchange of information in specific cases, it was felt that maximum co-operation should be shown

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by both sides. It was also agreed that in respect of specific cases of importance, priority should be clearly indicated in the communication so that such cases are pursued with the urgency that they deserve.

THIS Protocol has been signed in English and Hindi languages, both texts being equally authentic.

SIGNED in NEW DELHI, On 24TH DAY OF JANUARY,

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