

**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING ON COOPERATION IN
AGRICULTURE AND RELATED FIELDS BETWEEN THE
GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES AND THE
GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF INDIA**

The Government of the Republic of the Philippines represented herein by the Department of Agriculture and the Government of the Republic of India, represented herein by the Ministry of Agriculture, Department of Agriculture and Cooperation, hereinafter referred to as the "Contracting Parties";

Desiring to enhance the existing friendly relations between the two countries through development of cooperation in agriculture and related fields;

Recognizing the advantages to be derived by their respective peoples from the implementation of such cooperation;

Have agreed as follows:

ARTICLE I

The Contracting Parties shall promote technical cooperation in agriculture through collaborative activities and exchanges.

ARTICLE II

Joint activities will be determined by the Contracting Parties and shall be implemented in conformity with the laws and policies of both countries.

Such joint activities may include the areas of rice production and processing, multiple cropping system, dryland farming systems, bio-organic farming, soil and water conservation and management, soil fertility, agricultural machinery, horticulture, agro-forestry, sericulture, dairy, livestock improvement (development of buffalo, sheep and goats, tropicalised vaccine production, animal nutrition and utilisation of animal by-products), sugarcane technology, meat inspection system, post harvest handling and processing of agricultural commodities and fishery products, integrated pest management, cotton growing technology and hybrid cotton breeding, research and development of plantation crops, fruit crops and leguminous crops, plant quarantine, research and development on bio-botanical pesticides, biotechnology, agricultural cooperatives and other fields as may be mutually agreed upon by both the Contracting Parties.

ARTICLE III

Cooperation will be effected by means of, but not limited to, the exchange of materials and information/technology, the exchange of scientists, experts and trainees, the organization of symposia and conferences, the joint publication of studies and papers, conduct of agricultural trade fairs and exhibitions, joint ventures, and other means as may be mutually agreed upon.

ARTICLE IV