Memorandum of Cooperation

On

Development of Food Value Chain in Andhra Pradesh Between

The Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries of Japan And

The State Government of Andhra Pradesh, India

This Memorandum of Cooperation (MOC) is made on 30th day of July 2016 between the Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries of Japan here in after referred to as (MAFF) and the State Government of Andhra Pradesh, India.

MAFF and the State Government of Andhra Pradesh recognized the importance of development of food value chain in Andhra Pradesh State, in cooperation with private sectors in both Japan and India, and agreed to continue discussion for the facilitation of investment from Japan to Andhra Pradesh which would contribute to the development of food value chain including establishment of food industrial parks and development of cold chain.

Now, therefore, MAFF and State Govt. of Andhra Pradesh wishes to formalize their cooperation as follows:

- 1. MAFF will encourage direct investment by Japanese companies to Andhra Pradesh State in the field of agriculture and food related industry.
- 2. The State Government of Andhra Pradesh will cooperate to improve business environment for Japanese companies, which includes prompt land acquisition, adequate infrastructure development and setting attractive incentives.
- 3. This MOC will remain effective for initial period of five years from the date of signing of MOC and can be further extended by mutual consent in writing.

In witness whereof the parties have entered in to this MOC on that date first above written

On behalf of the Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries, Japan

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