

**Memorandum of Cooperation On Designing of Master Plan
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 the 25th day of February 2018 between the Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries of Japan (MAFF) and the State Government of Andhra Pradesh (GoAP), India, hereinafter referred to collectively as “both sides”, in order to develop a cold chain in Andhra Pradesh, based on the Memorandum of Cooperation signed between both sides on 30th of July, 2016.

Both sides shared the importance of materialization of specified cooperation areas for development of the food related industry, including development of a cold chain in Andhra Pradesh, and reached the recognition for cooperation which aims to design a master plan in the future as follows:

1. MAFF will make efforts to undertake a research which includes implementation of a trial project so as to pursue the possibility of development of a food value chain utilizing Japanese technology in the following areas/products in Andhra Pradesh by June 2018, and prepare a draft of master plan by end of March 2019.
 - (i) Processing and Export of Shrimp and Fish
 - (ii) Export of Fresh Mangoes
 - (iii) Cold Chain Development
 - (iv) Development of Value Added Rice Products
 - (v) Tomato Production and Processed Tomato Products
2. MAFF will endeavor to have the research mentioned above implemented by researchers staying in Andhra Pradesh for a long period.
3. GoAP will actively provide support to MAFF's requests, for example; supplying information (including undisclosed information), in order to implement the research uninterruptedly.
4. GoAP will extend full cooperation for MAFF's research (including a research carried out by a private company which has a contract with MAFF for the same) mentioned in the paragraph 1 above through providing a response to the questionnaire or by supporting the interviews with related persons or companies, providing the support for arranging appointments with concerned stakeholders and lastly through providing an office to the researchers.
5. Both sides will make efforts to have discussion based on the draft of master plan mentioned in the paragraph 1 above so as to design a master plan for development of food value chain which will be utilizing Japanese technology in Andhra Pradesh.
6. Both sides will put in use the agreed master plan and related materials for the sake of investments of Japanese companies to Andhra Pradesh.

This MoC will continue for the period which is from the day of signing until the establishment of the master plan by both sides. However, in case if the research by MAFF is not realized due to some reasons then it will be able to be terminated by notice from MAFF to GoAP in writing.

In witness whereof the both sides 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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