

**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MOU)
ON SHARING OF STATISTICAL AND CENSUS DATA
BETWEEN
THE GOVERNMENT OF THE DEMOCRATIC SOCIALIST
REPUBLIC OF SRI LANKA
AND
PAKISTAN BUREAU OF STATISTICS (PBS), STATISTICS
DIVISION, GOVERNMENT OF THE ISLAMIC REPUBLIC OF
PAKISTAN**

(hereinafter also referred to individually as "a Party" and collectively as
"the Parties")

Knowing that friendly relations exist between the two countries.

Desiring to cooperate in the matters concerning statistics.

Have reached the following understanding:

ARTICLE 1

The implementation of this MoU shall be subject to the respective national laws of the Parties.

ARTICLE 2

The goal of this MoU is to exchange experiences in the field of statistics in general and statistics of imports & exports, households and economic surveys in particular.

ARTICLE 3

The Parties will facilitate within the limits of their assigned responsibilities and the exchange of:

- i. statistical and census data;
- ii. experiences in the fields of collection of official statistics;
- iii. briefs on the mechanisms of conducting censuses / surveys in both the countries;
- iv. methods of collection / compilation / analysis / estimation and data dissemination of population census and agricultural statistics to benefit each other; and
- v. briefs on their work plan, and research work in the field of official statistics.

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ARTICLE 4

The Parties will collaborate to provide training facilities to each other's officers/officials according to the fellowship programmes in the areas agreed upon between the Parties.

ARTICLE 5

The Parties will invite each other to participate in seminars, conferences, and workshops in the fields of statistics, IT and human development sponsored by the respective Governments.

ARTICLE 6

1. The Parties will designate a focal point immediately after the entry into force of this MoU for coordination with respect to their various activities.
2. Each Party shall bear the costs of travel and the stay of its nominees, when attending regular or emergency meetings with the other Party or participating in any training course or seminar, whereas the costs of trainers will be borne by the inviting Party.

ARTICLE 7

This MoU may be amended or modified at any time through mutual written consent of the Parties.

ARTICLE 8

All disputes and differences concerning with or arising from the interpretation or application of this MoU shall be settled through mutual negotiations between the Parties.

ARTICLE 9

Each Party shall have the right to refuse to disclose information to the other Party in accordance with the rules/regulations restricting information sharing. The receiving Party shall not share with or transfer information, provided under this MoU, to a third Party, without prior written consent of the disclosing Party.

ARTICLE 10

1. This MoU shall enter into force on the date of Signatures and shall remain valid unless terminated.
2. Either Party may terminate this MoU at any time by giving a notice of six months to the other Party of its intention to terminate this MoU.

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3. The projects and programmes undertaken during the validity of this MoU shall continue to be governed by the provisions of this MoU till their completion.
 4. The provisions of Article 9.1 shall continue to remain valid after termination of this MoU unless the disclosing Party agrees otherwise or the Parties enter into an arrangement on the subject.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned being duly authorized thereto by the Parties, have signed this MoU.

Signed in duplicate at Colombo, on this 05th day of January 2016, in English language, both texts being equally authentic.



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**For and on behalf of the
Government of the Democratic
Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka**



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**For and on behalf of the
Government of the Islamic
Republic of Pakistan**