

AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF INDIA AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNION OF MYANMAR ON BORDER TRADE BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES

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The Government of the Republic of India and the Government of the Union of Myanmar, being desirous of promoting trade relations between India and Myanmar, and through friendly consultations, , have agreed to the formal establishment of border trade on the basis of equality and mutual benefit and have reached the following agreement.

ARTICLE I

The border trade shall be conducted through the following designated customs posts and in accordance with the laws, regulations and procedures in force in either country:

- (a) Moreh in India and Tamu in Myanmar
- (b) Champai in India and Hri in Myanmar
- (c) Other places that may be notified by mutual agreement between the two countries.

Adequate provisions will be made to enable buyers of either country to inspect and take delivery of goods at the customs posts in the country of the seller.

The goods to be traded on the border under this agreement shall be as permitted by both government.

ARTICLE II

Exchange of locally produced commodities as indicated in Annexure I, by people living along both sides of the Indo-Myanmar Border will continue as per the prevailing customary practice including the barter mechanism.

ARTICLE III

Trade under the Agreement may be conducted in freely convertible currencies or in currencies mutually agreed upon by the two countries, including through counter trade agreements.

#### ARTICLE IV

This Agreement shall be reviewed periodically by both sides to ensure a successful implementation of its objectives and provisions. In case of differences relating to and arising out of this Agreement, the same shall be amicably settled in the spirit of mutual cooperation and friendship.

#### ARTICLE V

Amendment(s) and/or supplement(s) to this Agreement shall be made by Exchange of Letter between the two sides.

#### ARTICLE VI

The Agreement shall come into force with effect from a date mutually agreed upon by the two sides and shall remain in force for two years from that date. It shall be automatically extended for a period of two years at a time unless either side gives notice in writing of its intention to terminate this Agreement three months in advance of the date of expiry.

Done in New Delhi on the 21<sup>st</sup> day of January, 1994 on three originals, in the Hindi, Myanmar and English Languages. The three texts shall be equally authentic, but in case of any divergence of interpretation, the English text shall prevail.

On behalf of the  
Government of the  
Republic of India

On behalf of the  
Government of the  
Union of Myanmar

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## ANNEXURE-I

### COMMODITIES IDENTIFIED FOR EXCHANGE BY RESIDENTS LIVING ALONG THE BORDER BETWEEN INDIA AND MYANMAR.

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1. Mustard/Rape seed
2. Pulses and Beans
3. Fresh Vegetables
4. Fruits
5. Garlic
6. Onion
7. Chillies
8. Spices (Excluding Nut Meg, Mace, Cassia and Cloves)
9. Bamboo
10. Minor forest products excluding teak
11. Betel nuts and leaves
12. Food items for local consumption
13. Any other commodities as may be mutually agreed

### ADDITIONAL COMMODITIES APPROVED

1. Tobacco
2. Tomato
3. Reed Broom
4. Sesame
5. Resin
6. Coriander Seeds
7. Soyabean
8. Roasted Sunflower Seeds
9. Katha
10. Ginger

List of items permitted for imports under the Border Trade Agreement with Myanmar as on 1.04.2007.

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<u>S.No.</u>	<u>Description of goods</u>
1.	Rice
2.	Pulses and Beans
3.	Chana
4.	Mustard and Rape seed
5.	Ground Nut
6.	Fresh Vegetables and Fruits
7.	Garlic and Onion
8.	Reed Broom
9.	Sesame Seeds
10.	Betel-Nuts
11.	Turmeric
12.	Dried Ginger
13.	Coriander
14.	Dried Chilly (including in powder form)
15.	Wood in the rough, whether or not stripped of bark, timber, wood roughly squared, wood sawn or chipped lengthwise, sliced of a thickness exceeding 25mm
16.	Bamboo
17.	Tomato
18.	Sunflower seeds
19.	Resin
20.	Catechu
21.	Betel leaves