

**2013 PROTOCOL TO AMEND THE MEMORANDUM OF  
UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENTS OF THE  
MEMBER STATES OF ASSOCIATION OF THE SOUTHEAST ASIAN  
NATIONS AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF INDIA  
ON STRENGTHENING TOURISM COOPERATION**

*Signed in Vientiane, Lao PDR on 21 January 2013*

The Governments of Brunei Darussalam, the Kingdom of Cambodia, the Republic of Indonesia, the Lao People's Democratic Republic, Malaysia, the Republic of the Union of Myanmar, the Republic of the Philippines, the Republic of Singapore, the Kingdom of Thailand, and the Socialist Republic of Vietnam, as Member States of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (hereinafter referred to as "ASEAN") and the Government of the Republic of India (hereinafter referred to as "India") (hereinafter referred to singularly as "ASEAN" or "India" and collectively as "the Parties");

**RECALLING** the Memorandum of Understanding between the Governments of the Member States of Association of Southeast Asian Nations and the Government of the Republic of India on Strengthening Tourism Cooperation, signed on 12 January 2012 in Manado, Indonesia (hereinafter referred to as the "MOU");

**CONSIDERING** Article VIII of the MOU that provides for any amendments thereto to be mutually agreed upon in writing by the Parties;

**HAVE AGREED** as follows:

**ARTICLE 1  
AMENDMENT TO INSERT NEW ARTICLE X INTO THE MOU**

The MOU shall be amended by inserting a new Article X immediately after the existing Article IX on the MOU as follows:

**"ARTICLE X  
OTHER RIGHTS AND INTEREST**

Notwithstanding anything contained in this Memorandum of Understanding, where the implementation of this Memorandum of Understanding affects any ASEAN Member State's or India's rights and interests with respect to its national security, national and public interest or public order, protection of intellectual property rights, confidentiality and secrecy of documents, information and data, the ASEAN Member State concerned or India may undertake appropriate steps or consultations to ensure that its rights and interests are protected and safeguarded."

**ARTICLE 2  
AMENDMENT OF ARTICLE X OF THE MOU**

Article X of the MOU shall be amended by re-numbering the title of Article XI while maintaining existing provision.

**ARTICLE 3  
ENTRY INTO FORCE**

1. This Protocol shall enter into force on the date of signature of this Protocol and shall remain in effect until the date of expiration or termination of the MOU.
2. The Protocol shall be deposited with the ASEAN Secretary General and the Ministry of Tourism, India.

**ARTICLE 4  
NATURE OF THIS PROTOCOL**

1. Save herein and subject to the foregoing provisions and amendment made therein, all the provisions of the MOU shall remain intact and shall be at all material times be in full force, enforceable and effect as between the Parties. The Parties hereby agree that this Protocol shall be supplemental thereto and be read as an integral part of the MOU.
2. The MOU and this Protocol shall contain the entire understanding between the Parties made thereto with respect to the subject matter hereof and shall supersede all prior agreements, understandings, inducements, representations or conditions, express or implied, oral or written.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, the undersigned, being duly authorised thereto by their respective Governments, have signed this Protocol.

**DONE** at Vientiane, Lao PDR on this Twenty First Day of January in the Year Two Thousand Thirteen, in two original texts in the English language.

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I GUSTI PUTU LAKSAGUNA  
Inspector General of Ministry of Tourism and Creative Economy

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Vice Minister of Ministry of Culture, Sports  
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