# Statement of Principles between

The National Institution for Transforming India of the Republic of India

and

the National Development and Reform Commission of the People's Republic of China

for Developing Cooperation on Manufacturing and Industrial Capacity

The National Institution for Transforming India of the Republic of India and the National Development and Reform Commission of the People's Republic of China (hereinafter referred to as the "Parties");

IN VIEW OF the in-depth development of the Strategic Cooperative Partnership established between the People's Republic of China and the Republic of India (hereinafter referred to as "the Countries");

BEARING IN MIND the important consensus reached by the leaders of the Countries to develop cooperation on manufacturing and industrial capacity;

RECOGNIZING the great potential for economic cooperation between the Countries and the recurring interests of companies from the Countries to promote cooperation;

NOTING the 'Make in India' and 'Skill India' initiatives of the Government of India for developing manufacturing and industrial capacity in India;

NOTING the "Make in China 2025" and international industrial capacity cooperation initiatives of the Chinese government;

IN ORDER TO make best use of complementary advantages, improve the level of investment and cooperation on manufacturing and industrial capacity between the Countries;

BEARING IN MIND the principles of mutual respect, equality and equal benefit, with friendly discussion, the Parties mutually consent to execute this Statement of Principles under the following understanding:

## Article I

The Parties shall promote cooperation in setting up of manufacturing and industrial capacity by companies and investments by financial institutions from the Republic of India and the People's Republic of China, in accordance with their respective national laws and policies.

## Article II

The Parties shall promote cooperation on setting up of manufacturing and industrial capacity in areas such as:

- 1. Construction and operation of infrastructure, including railways, highways, power stations, power grids, telecommunications, etc.
- 2. Metallurgy and material, including iron and steel, nonferrous metal, glass-making, cement, etc.
- 3. Resource processing.
- 4. Equipment manufacturing.
- 5. Light industry, electronics and textiles.
- 6. Industry cluster.
- 7. Manufacturing of transport vehicles including electric vehicles.
  - 8. Renewable energy such as solar cells and high capacity energy storage batteries.
  - 9. Any other areas agreed by the Parties.

#### Article III

The Parties encourage their companies to carry out projects of cooperation on manufacturing and industrial capacity through various types of instruments, such as investment, Merger and Acquisition (M&A), Build-Operate-Transfer (BOT), Public Private Partnership (PPP), project contracting, equipment export, in compliance with their respective laws and established procedures.

The Parties encourage their financial institutions to provide services such as financing, co-financing, guarantee and long-term insurance for bi-lateral cooperation on manufacturing and industrial capacity.

## Article IV

The Parties create a Steering Committee for Cooperation in areas as specified above between India and China (hereinafter called the "Committee") to execute this Statement of Principles. For the Chinese side, the leading agency will be the National Development and Reform Commission, with the participation of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and etc, and for the Indian side, the leading agency will be the National Institution for Transforming India, with the participation of the Ministry of External Affairs and etc.

The Committee may invite other relevant agencies and entities from the Countries, which the Parties deem appropriate, to participate in related activities.

#### Article V

The Committee will be responsible for the functions listed below, in an expository but not limitative manner:

- 1. Identifying the priority areas for cooperation on manufacturing and industrial capacity between the Countries;
- 2. Coordinating and promoting the priority projects of investment and cooperation on manufacturing and industrial capacity;
- 3. Studying the ways and measures to develop the cooperation on the areas mentioned, including proposal of policies and suggestions on the promotion of cooperation on manufacturing and industrial capacity, such as providing visa facilities for personnel participating in Developing Cooperation On Manufacturing and Industrial Capacity;
- 4. Joint organization of forums, seminars, and project promotion events as well as collaboration on specific subject study;

- 5. Encouraging investment and financing activities for companies and financial institutions for the Countries:
- 6. Supervising the effective implementation of the projects under this Statement of Principles.

## Article VI

The Committee will meet as necessary, alternating venues between China and India, unless the Parties agree on an alternate venue. On the occasion of the meetings, the Committee will review and analyze the progress of the work performed and the results achieved since the last meeting and will set a new agenda.

If agreed by the Parties, meetings may also be held by video-conference.

#### Article VII

The Policy Coordination Working Group of the India-China Strategic Economic Dialogue will be the executive body of the Committee, with two Secretariats in charge of communication and coordination under this Statement of Principles. The secretariat on the Chinese side is located within the Department of International Cooperation of the National Development and Reform Commission, while the Secretariat on the Indian side is located within the National Institution for Transforming India.

### Article VIII

Each Party shall bear the costs of their communicative and cooperative activities while implementing this Statement of Principles, unless otherwise agreed.

## Article IX

Any questions or disputes arising out of the interpretation or implementation of this Statement of Principles shall be resolved amicably by direct consultation of the Parties.

# Article X

This Statement of Principles shall not affect interpretation and implementation of any other agreement between the People's Republic of China and the Republic of India.

#### Article XI

This Statement of Principles will enter into force on the date of its signature and will remain valid for a period of five (5) years. Thereafter, it shall be extended automatically for further successive periods at a time, unless either party decides to terminate it and notice the other party in writing at least three (3) months in advance.

This Statement of Principles may be amended at any time under mutual written consent of the Parties. The amendments shall be in writing, specifying the date of its entry into force.

The termination of this Statement of Principles will not affect investment projects that are currently in progress.

Signed in New Delhi, India, on October 7, in two originals, each in the Chinese, Hindi and English languages, all texts being equally authentic. In case of divergence in interpretation, the English text shall prevail.

Chairman,

National Development and Reform Commission of the

People's Republic of China

Vice Chairman,

National Institution for

And On

Transforming India of the

Republic of India