

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN

THE MINISTRY OF WOMEN EMPOWERMENT AND CHILD PROTECTION OF THE REPUBLIC OF INDONESIA

AND

THE MINISTRY OF SOCIAL AND FAMILY DEVELOPMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF SINGAPORE ON WOMEN EMPOWERMENT, CHILD PROTECTION AND FAMILY DEVELOPMENT

The Ministry of Women Empowerment and Child Protection of the Republic of Indonesia and the Ministry of Social and Family Development of the Republic of Singapore, hereinafter referred to individually as the "Party" and collectively as "the Parties";

Recognising their desire to strengthen the existing friendly relations between the two countries;

Desiring to develop and promote cooperation in the field of women empowerment, child protection and family development on the basis of equality, mutual respect and mutual benefit;

Taking into account the outcome of the virtual bilateral meeting between the Minister for Women Empowerment and Child Protection of the Republic of Indonesia and the Minister for Social and Family Development of the Republic of Singapore on 24 June 2021;

Pursuant to the prevailing laws and regulations in their respective countries;

Have reached the following understanding:

ARTICLE I OBJECTIVE OF COOPERATION

The Parties will endeavour to take all necessary measures to promote and develop cooperation in the field of women empowerment, child protection and family development within the framework of this Memorandum of Understanding (hereinafter referred to as the "MoU").

ARTICLE II AREAS OF COOPERATION

The Parties will undertake cooperative activities in the areas of cooperation on women empowerment, child protection and family development through the following forms:

- a. sharing of best practices and exchanges of information, work attachments, participation in events and training programmes to be hosted and conducted by the Parties; and
- b. other forms of collaborative projects and cooperation mutually agreed by the Parties.

ARTICLE III IMPLEMENTATION

In order to implement the programmes or activities under this MoU, both Parties agree:

- a. to conclude separate arrangement within the terms of this MoU, which shall cover areas of cooperation as provided in Article II; and
- b. such arrangements shall describe the details of, inter alia, the programmes or projects schedule, personnel involved, financial arrangements, responsibilities undertaken by the Parties, and other necessary matters that are not covered by this MoU.

ARTICLE IV JOINT WORKING GROUP

- 1. The Parties may establish a Joint Working Group composed of representatives designated by the Parties in such manner as may be agreed to plan, prepare and recommend programmes or projects as well as monitor and evaluate the progress of cooperation under this MoU.
- 2. The Joint Working Group will meet annually or otherwise as agreed, alternately in Indonesia or Singapore, virtually or in person. If the meeting could not be held under certain circumstances, documents should be exchanged in lieu of such a meeting.

ARTICLE V CONFIDENTIALITY

- 1. The Parties shall observe the confidentiality of documents, information and other data received for or resulted from the implementation of cooperative activities under this MoU that is marked as "confidential".
- 2. If either Party wishes to disclose any confidential document, information or data as referred to paragraph 1 of this Article to a third party, the said Party shall ensure that prior written consent is obtained from the other Party, before any disclosure can be made.
- 3. The Parties agree to continue to comply with the provisions of this Article notwithstanding the termination of this MoU and related separate arrangement as mentioned in Article III of this MoU.

ARTICLE VI LIMITATION OF PERSONNEL ACTIVITIES

The Parties shall ensure that their personnel involved in activities related to this MoU:

- a. shall comply with the laws and regulations of the host country;
- b. shall respect the political independence, sovereignty and territorial integrity of the host country;
- c. shall not interfere with the internal affairs of the host country; and
- d. shall avoid any activities inconsistent with the objective of the MoU as stated in Article I.

ARTICLE VII SETTLEMENT OF DIFFERENCES

Any differences arising out of the interpretation or implementation of this MoU shall be settled amicably through consultation or negotiation between the Parties without reference to any third parties.

ARTICLE VIII AMENDMENT

This MoU can be amended at any time by mutual written consent of the Parties. Any amendment shall enter into force on the date as determined by the Parties and shall constitute an integral part of this MoU.

ARTICLE IX EFFECT

This MoU is not entered into as a binding legal agreement, but is only a definite expression and record of the purpose and intention of the Parties to which each honourably pledges themselves with the fullest confidence, based upon their relationship with each other, that it will be carried through by each of them with mutual respect and friendly cooperation.

ARTICLE X ENTRY INTO FORCE, DURATION AND TERMINATION

- 1. This MoU shall come into effect on the date of signature and shall remain in effect for a period of two (2) years.
- 2. This MoU shall thereafter be extended automatically for further successive periods of two (2) years each, unless terminated by either Party by giving notice in writing of its intention to the other Party not less than six (6) months prior to the intended date of termination.
- 3. The termination of this MoU shall not affect the completion of any ongoing activities under this MoU.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned, being duly authorised thereto by their respective governments, have signed this MoU.

Signed in duplicate in Singapore on 8 November 2022 each in Indonesian and English languages, both texts being equally authentic. In case of any divergence in the interpretation between texts, the English text will prevail.

For the Ministry of
Women Empowerment and Child Protection
of the Republic Indonesia

For the Ministry of Social and Family Development of the Republic of Singapore

signed.

signed.

I Gusti Ayu Bintang Darmawati

Masagos Zulkifli bin Masagos Mohamad



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Ditandatangani secara **elektronik** oleh Kepala Biro Hukum dan Humas

Margareth Robin K