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Joint Press Statement

The First Meeting of the India-Peru Joint Committee on Science & Technology was held in Lima from 7 – 8 April, 2014. Dr. Arabinda Mitra, Advisor & Head, International Bilateral Cooperation, Department of Science & Technology of India led the Indian delegation. Dr. Gisella Orjeda, President, National Council of Science, Technology & Technological Innovation (CONCYTEC) was the Co-Chair from the Peruvian side. Other officials and representatives of scientific and research institutions of both sides participated in the discussions.

Both sides identified areas of cooperation in fields like agri biotechnology, human health issues, materials like nano- materials, energy materials and ceramics, environment, bio-diversity, climate change and social inclusion projects. They agreed to cooperate in the research for the development of vaccines for infectious diseases common in both countries, water management and dissemination of basic agricultural technologies to end users in Peru. They also agreed to conduct joint studies of the El Nino effects and monsoons phenomenon and to share information and experiences through regular meetings of experts from both sides for studies in climate change. Enhancing cooperation in the information technology and innovation fields was also agreed to. India and Peru will share knowledge through regular interactions of experts of specialized institutes and will facilitate exchange of researchers to visit each others countries for conducting workshops and collaborative projects in the identified fields.

A Protocol of Cooperation in Science & Technology for 2014-16 was signed by the Co-Chairs in the presence of H.E. Mr. Manpreet Vohra, Ambassador of India to the Republic of Peru and Mr. Juan Carlos Capunay, Director General for Asia and Oceania, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Peru.

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