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AGREEMENT¹ BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE STATE OF ISRAEL AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF FIJI ON TECHNICAL COOPERATION AND DEVELOPMENT

The Government of the State of Israel and the Government of the Republic of Fiji (hereafter referred to as the "Parties");

In the spirit of the friendly relations already existing between the two countries and their peoples;

Recognizing that these relations constitute the basis of the provisions of the present Agreement; and

Desiring to enhance and consolidate these relations by means of closer cooperation in the field of technical cooperation and development including manpower training in Fiji and in Israel;

Have agreed as follows:

ARTICLE I

The Government of the State of Israel agrees to assist in identifying and prioritising specific fields and subjects of technical cooperation between the two countries that could be of mutual interest and contribute significantly to advancing the agricultural sector in Fiji.

ARTICLE II

The Parties agree that the major thrust of this Agreement is related to agricultural development and diversification and to assist in broadening Fiji's economic base.

Within this framework the emphasis is toward diversification and consolidation of ongoing programmes and activities in the agricultural and other related sectors.

ARTICLE III

The Government of the State of Israel agrees to strengthen its activity to support the dairy industry.

¹ Came into force on 27 June 1996 by notification, in accordance with article XVII.

A technical assistance programme based on this Agreement will be formulated, and this activity will be based on short-term consultancies which will focus on animal husbandry and improved feeding systems, aiming at stream-lining and improving both the efficiency of feed supply and the output of milk and meat production.

ARTICLE IV

The Government of the State of Israel agrees to support training in dairy related projects to improve feeding systems, with emphasis on feed center operations to improve efficient feeding and production methods.

ARTICLE V

The Government of the State of Israel agrees to provide specific technical assistance in the artificial insemination for genetic improvements of dairy cattle. For this purpose, the controlled artificial insemination methods in the dairy industry shall be examined.

ARTICLE VI

The Government of the State of Israel agrees to provide training on irrigation which will focus on appropriate water-plant-soil relation, water management, water schedules and fertilisation. Emphasis will be made in the Sigatoka Valley and the "sugar belt" areas where main emphasis on crop diversification programmes in agriculture will be focussed.

ARTICLE VII

The Government of the State of Israel agrees to participate in regional training activities, involving participants from other Pacific countries to take place in Fiji.

These will involve personnel training in subjects related to producer cooperatives and farm management which will jointly be done by Israel/MASHAV/- CINADCO and the Department of Cooperatives of Fiji. This joint training programme is also planned to involved the International Labour Organization (ILO).