

**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING ON COLLABORATION
BETWEEN
BRITISH INDIAN PSYCHIATRIC ASSOCIATION (BIPA)**



**AND
THE INDIAN PSYCHIATRIC SOCIETY (IPS)**



British Indian Psychiatric Association (hereinafter referred to as “BIPA”) is a charitable incorporated organisation (CIO), charity No. 1169838 in the United Kingdom with a Constitution, with following objectives:

- To protect and promote good health for public benefit among people with mental illness or intellectual disability, but not exclusively from Black and Asian minority ethnic communities by:
 - a) Advancing education in mental health and intellectual disability and undertaking training and promoting research, the useful results of which will be published.
 - b) Working with statutory bodies, healthcare professionals and other organisations to assist in the improvement of mental healthcare provision.

Whereas the Indian Psychiatric Society (hereinafter referred to as “IPS”), a registered society under Indian Societies Act (registration No. 1420/2000) has the following objectives:

- Promote and advance the subject of Psychiatry and allied sciences in all their different branches.
- Promote the improvement of the mental health of the people and mental health education.
- Promote prevention, control, treatment and relief of all Psychiatric disabilities.

- Formulate and advise on the standards of education and training for medical and auxiliary personnel in Psychiatry and to recommend adequate teaching facilities for the purpose.
- Promote research in the field of Psychiatry and mental health.
- Propagate the principles of Psychiatry and current development in Psychiatric thought.
- Deal with any matters relating to mental health concerning the country and to do all other things as are cognate to the subjects of the Indian Psychiatric Society.
- Safeguard the interest of Psychiatrists and fellow professionals in India.
- Promote ethical standards in the practice of Psychiatry in India.

BIPA and IPS wish to co-operate in their respective fields of mutual professional interest.

Now therefore, the parties here to agree to sign a memorandum of understanding (MoU) on professional collaboration, which will permit exchange of experience and the organisation of joint activities, in close collaboration, pursuant to the following fundamental objectives:

1. To establish close collaboration in the field of mental health in U.K. and India. In this regard, IPS will recognise BIPA as Intellectual partner at Annual Conference of Indian Psychiatric Society (ANCIPS) and BIPA will reciprocate this intellectual partnership at BIPA Annual Conference every year till the duration of this memorandum is valid.
2. BIPA and IPS will facilitate a scientific dialogue between the two Organisations at their respective Annual Conferences. As part of MoU there will be BIPA symposium at ANCIPS and IPS symposium (or Guest Lecture by IPS President) at BIPA Annual conference each year. The details of each symposium will be agreed by respective Presidents' in advance of the conferences.

3. Facilitate exchange of scientific ideas, undergraduate and post-graduate teaching and training in psychiatry between BIPA and IPS.
4. Work collaboratively to promote high ethical standards in practice of Psychiatry and Research.
5. Work collaboratively to improve mental health awareness in public in U.K. and India.
6. Work collaboratively to improve understanding and exchange expertise in human rights and mental health legislation in U.K and India.
7. Whilst there will be no financial transaction between the two Organisations both BIPA and IPS will offer complimentary registration for attending annual conference to their respective Presidents. As a matter of cordiality, the two Organisations will offer local hospitality to respective Presidents to include local travel from nearest airport and accommodation close to conference venue for the duration of conference. Neither BIPA nor IPS will pay for International travel for their respective Presidents.
8. BIPA and IPS will offer reciprocal discounted conference registration to BIPA and IPS members at BIPA Annual Conference and ANCIPS. For e.g. at ANCIPS the conference registration rates for BIPA members will be the same as those for IPS members. Similarly, at BIPA Annual Conference, conference registration fees for IPS members will be the same as for BIPA members.

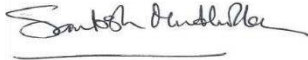
Financial Liability

No financial liability will arise for BIPA or for the IPS under this Agreement.

Terms of memorandum of understanding (MoU)

The MoU will be valid for 3 years term, unless terminated by either party at any time before the end of the term, subject to three months' prior written notice and the settlement of any outstanding obligations. This MoU will be reviewed regularly by the two Organisations and can be renewed at the end of 3 years for a further period of 2 years. This MoU supersedes any previous agreements between the BIPA and IPS.

In witness thereof, both parties sign the following agreement.



Dr Santoshkumar Mudholkar
President, British Indian Psychiatric Association (BIPA)

Date signed: 14th June 2020



Prof Pronob K Dalal
President, Indian Psychiatric Society (IPS)

Date signed: 14th June 2020
