

Memorandum of Understanding (MOU)

Between



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and



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As organizations with common goals of supporting the creation and dissemination of knowledge in the atmospheric and related sciences, the Indian Meteorological Society (IMS) and the Royal Meteorological Society (RMetS) agree to the following guidelines for mutually beneficial interaction.

1. Collaboration and information exchange

To the mutual benefit of both societies, IMS and RMetS agree to promote collaboration and information exchange in the following ways:

- Links to the other society in each society's website.
- Publicising/promoting this reciprocal agreement and its mutual benefits to the membership (at least twice yearly) via a range of communication methods.
- Links to other society's events pages in each society's website.
- Reporting of activities of the partner society from time to time to keep the broader membership aware of these activities.
- Collaboration or cooperation on reports or white papers on substantive issues such as climate change or science education.
- Collaboration on topics associated with advancing the enterprise associated with each society, to include email exchanges, joint meetings, or other mechanisms as agreed to.

2. Endorsement of Statements

The RMetS and IMS each release official statements on scientific and policy issues from time to time. RMetS and IMS will work together to encourage endorsements of these statements between the two organizations. Where RMetS statements are endorsed by IMS, RMetS will provide such statements to be freely displayed on the IMS website and published in the *Bulletin of the Indian Meteorological Society (BIMS)*, and where appropriate, be distributed through media and other outlets (with appropriate RMetS recognition). Where IMS statements are endorsed by RMetS, IMS will provide such statements to be freely displayed on the RMetS website and published in *Weather* and where appropriate, distributed through media and other outlets (with appropriate IMS recognition).

3. Meeting cooperation

Each society will seek opportunities to engage with each other's meetings through remote participation and sharing of presentation files and audio/video recording of events, where appropriate.

All members of the partner society will be eligible for a reduced registration fee at the host society's meeting (which may be higher than the member fee that is available for those members of the partner society who are affiliate members of the host society).

In some cases, the partner society may agree to organize a session at the host society's meeting.

In some cases, the two societies may choose to organize a joint symposium. In those situations, a separate MOU specific to the meeting will be prepared to cover financial obligations as well as the responsibilities of each society.



4. Reciprocal membership

a. IMS membership

Members of RMetS who reside in the United Kingdom may join IMS by apply for Life/Annual Member status directly with IMS, and IMS will handle all aspects of the application and annual renewal process and can get a subscription to the digital version of the *Bulletin of the Indian Meteorological Society* the VayuMandal, member rates on all journals, books, and other products of the IMS, and member registration rate for all IMS meetings. The dues rate for Life/Annual Members will be set at 75% of the respective normal IMS member rate. It is subject to inflationary increases over time at the discretion of the IMS. Members of RMetS will be asked to provide their RMetS membership number (or other appropriate identification) that can be confirmed with RMetS at the discretion of IMS.

b. RMetS membership

Members of IMS may join RMetS as a Member and with benefits provided to Members as outlined on the RMetS website, including, but not limited to a subscription to the digital version of *Weather*, member rates on all journals, books, and other products of the RMetS, and member registration rate for all RMetS events. The dues rate for Members will be set at 25% off the normal RMetS membership rate. IMS members will apply for Member status directly with RMetS, and RMetS will handle all aspects of the application and annual renewal process. Members of IMS will be asked to provide their IMS membership number (or other appropriate identification) that can be confirmed with IMS at the discretion of RMetS.

6. Member publications

RMetS will be provided a complimentary institutional subscription to the *Bulletin of the Indian Meteorological Society* the VayuMandal. IMS will be provided a complimentary institutional subscription to *Weather*.

7. Financial obligations

Neither society will have any financial obligation to the other. For any joint program or activity that carries with it requirement for financial considerations the two societies will execute a separate MOU for that activity.

8. Term of agreement

This agreement expires five years after the date it is executed, but can be renewed for additional five-year terms through a letter signed by appropriate representatives of IMS and RMetS stating the intention to extend the agreement. The agreement can be terminated by either party in writing at any time upon thirty (30) days notice.



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