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CSIR, India signs Agreement with MIDI, Ethiopia

The Council of Scientific Research and Industrial Research, a premier Government of India institution in the forefront of pursuing R&D in India and the Metal Industries Development Institute, Ethiopia entered into an agreement today to implement a twinning programme.

The agreement was signed at Addis Ababa in the gracious presence of H.E. Dr. Alemu Sime, State Minister of Industry, Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia, H.E. Mr. Teshome Lemma, State Minister of Education, Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia, H.E. Dr. Girish Sahani, Director General, CSIR, Government of India and H.E. Mr. Anurag Srivastava, Ambassador of India to Ethiopia, Djibouti and African Union.

The agreement provides for training and capacity building of science and technology manpower in order to transform the metal and engineering sector in Ethiopia.

This twinning arrangement between CSIR and MIDI is another milestone in bilateral cooperation in the science and technology sector between India and Ethiopia. This partnership that has been implemented both bilaterally as well as under the framework of the India-Africa Forum Summit, provides for training opportunities, scholarships in the best Indian scientific and technological institutions, joint research as well as transfer of skills and knowledge through telemedicine and tele-education.

CSIR with its 38 research laboratories and about 10,000 science and technology personnel has taken up international partnership with Africa as one of its major agenda in pursuance of high level commitment to enhance partnership in science and technology sectors between India and Africa.

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