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The Government of India and the government of Islamic Republic of Afghanistan in 2007 decided and agreed to establish a foundation in order to better promote mutual understanding and cooperation between the people of India and Afghanistan by a wider sharing of Knowledge and professional talents through academic and technical exchanges and contact, and signed an MOU on 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2007 followed by a General By-laws in 2008.

Considering the long and deep relations between two Countries of Afghanistan and India, further expansion and strengthening of cultural and relations between two countries nations, are the basic themes of creating the Foundation.

The foundation is known as the India – Afghanistan Foundation, it is constituted with the objective of fostering educational, cultural, scientific and technical cooperation between Afghanistan and India.

According to MOU of the Foundation the Thrust areas for the activities to be carried out by the Foundation are:

1. Education and Culture;
2. Agricultural Research;
3. Science and Technology;
4. Health;
5. Technical training;
6. Development Studies;
7. Women Studies;
8. Area studies;

Affairs of the Foundation are managed and directed by a board of Directors. Number of the Directors is ten. The Ambassador of Islamic Republic of Afghanistan to India and Ambassador of India to IRA are the Co-Chairpersons of the Board. Joint Secretary (PAI), Ministry of External Affairs of GOI and Director General of the First Political Department of Ministry of Foreign Affairs, GOA are members of Board. Government of India and Government of Islamic Republic of Afghanistan each nominate three other members of the Board. The term of the office of these six members is two years.

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The Board of Directors meets together at least twice in a calendar year to approve proposals regarding programs, activities and budget.

This foundation is nonprofit making institution. It is financed through revenues from a Trust Fund. This Trust Fund is set up principally through grants made available by the Government of Afghanistan and the Government of India, hence its finances are totally exempted from taxes.

According to the related By-Laws, this Foundation, does not involve in helping any kind of political activities.

Adoption of proposals put forward by the related persons and organizations and their execution are carried out according to the By-Laws and rules of Foundation.