

**AGREEMENT  
BETWEEN  
THE GOVERNMENT OF THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA  
AND  
THE GOVERNMENT OF NEPAL  
ON  
THE CONSTRUCTION, MANAGEMENT AND MAINTENANCE OF  
BOUNDARY RIVER BRIDGE  
OVER  
THE DONGLIN TSANGPO (CHINA)- LUNDI (NEPAL) RIVER  
(THE RESUO RIVER BRIDGE)**

The Government of the People's Republic of China and the Government of Nepal (hereinafter referred to as the Parties),

Desiring to further promote the long-standing all-round partnership between the two countries;

Aiming at facilitating the travel of people and economic and trade activities between the two countries,

Decided on the joint construction, management and maintenance of the Boundary River Bridge over the Donglin Tsangpo (China) – Lundi (Nepal) River,

Agreed as follows:

**Article 1**

The following definitions are used in this Agreement:

“Boundary River Bridge (the Resuo Bridge)” refers to the main bridge, the bridge approaches and other auxiliary works.

“Main bridge” refers to the boundary river bridge to be built across the main channel of the Donglin Tsangpo (the Lundi River) by the Parties.

“Restricted construction area” refers to the space closed off around the bridge construction site within the territory of each Party, including those on the Donglin Tsangpo (the Lundi River) waters.

“Construction staff” refers to those people involved in the construction activities of the Boundary River Bridge (Resuo Bridge) in the restricted construction area.

## **Article 2**

The Boundary River Bridge (Resuo Bridge) starts from Resuo Village of Jilong Town, Jilong County, Rikaze Region of the Tibet Autonomous Region, and connects the ending point of the *Shaffrubisi – Lasuwagadi* Highway.

The total length of the newly constructed Boundary River Bridge (Resuo Bridge) project is 618 meters. The main bridge is about 103 meters long and 9 meters wide, with a designed speed of 60 kilometers per hour. The bridge approach is about 515 meters long (among which, about 283 meters are in the Chinese territory, 232 meters in the Nepalese territory), with a 10-meter-wide road bed.

## **Article 3**

The competent authorities of the Parties responsible for the implementation of the construction of the Boundary River Bridge (Resuo Bridge) are:

For Chinese side: The Ministry of Transport of the People’s Republic of China;

For Nepalese side: Ministry of Physical Planning and Works of Nepal.

The executive bodies responsible for the management and maintenance of the Boundary River Bridge (Resuo Bridge) are:

For the Chinese side: Department of Transport of Tibet Autonomous Region;

For the Nepalese side: Department of Roads, Ministry of Physical Planning and Works.

## **Article 4**

The construction of the Boundary River Bridge (Resuo Bridge) shall not change the boundary river flows or the river banks, and shall not damage the ecological environment of the area.

Chinese side will be responsible for the construction of the Boundary River Bridge (Resuo Bridge). The construction works will be supervised by the

competent authorities of the Parties.

Upon the completion of the construction of the Boundary River Bridge (Resuo Bridge), each Party will possess its own property right with the bisector of the main span, which is vertical to the axis of the bridge, as the dividing line. Each Party shall carry out the maintenance and management of the part of the Boundary River Bridge (Resuo Bridge) under its own property right. The above mentioned dividing line shall not change the boundary line between the two countries.

The Parties shall exempt the import and export tariffs over the transport vehicles, cargos and articles needed by the construction of the part of the bridge on the Nepalese side.

#### **Article 5**

The Chinese side will be responsible for the master design of the Boundary River Bridge (Resuo Bridge). The design shall be subject to the examination and approval of the Parties.

Taking into account the difference between the construction standards and technical specifications of the two countries, the Parties agreed to coordinate during the period of survey and design.

The approach and the auxiliary works of the Boundary River Bridge (Resuo Bridge) shall be completed simultaneously with the main bridge.

Each Party shall be responsible for the construction of the planned infrastructure and the border inspection and control facilities at the port on its own territory, which should be completed simultaneously with the bridge in general.

#### **Article 6**

Each Party shall close off the necessary area within its territory as the restricted construction area. The establishment of the restricted construction area shall be subject to the approval of the immigration, customs, inspection and quarantine authorities.

The restriction signs shall be placed around the restricted construction area.

The working hours in the restricted construction area shall be determined by the local administration in consultation with the immigration, customs, inspection and quarantine authorities.

The immigration, customs, inspection and quarantine authorities of the Parties shall supervise and administrate on the restricted construction area within its territory and the people, cargos, articles and transport vehicles that enter and/or exit the restricted construction area in accordance with their respective domestic laws.

#### **Article 7**

The relevant authorities of each Party shall simplify the procedures for the construction staff entering and/or exiting the restricted construction area within its territory. The construction staff shall carry a valid pass identified by the respective laws of each country and the relevant agreements reached by the Parties, and be allowed to enter and/or exit according to the name list.

The formats of the name list of the construction staff and the list of the cargos, articles and transport vehicles shall be determined by the local administration in consultation with the immigration, customs, inspection and quarantine authorities, and be printed in both Chinese and English languages. It shall be filled by the implementing bodies and exchanged after examination and approval by immigration, customs, inspection and quarantine authorities.

The construction staff, equipment and transport vehicles shall wear or carry the identification signs determined by the relevant authorities of the Parties.

#### **Article 8**

Before starting the construction works, or where necessary, the immigration, customs, inspection and quarantine authorities shall hold meetings under the coordination of the local administration of both Parties, to work out issues relevant to the entry and exit of the restricted construction areas, inform each other of the number of staff, names of the team leaders, their entry and exit time and the necessary cargos, articles and transport vehicles.

After the working hour in the restricted construction area, the team leaders shall be responsible for the evacuation of all the construction staff of their own teams.

During the construction, when the relevant people, cargos, articles and transport vehicles need to enter the restricted construction area, a 24-hour notice in advance shall be sent to the immigration, customs, inspection and quarantine authorities of the other party. In case of emergency, a 120-minute notice in advance shall be sent to the immigration, customs, inspection and quarantine authorities of the other party.

#### **Article 9**

In order to expedite the construction process, the relevant Nepalese authorities shall provide facilitations to the Chinese equipment, materials and transport vehicles needed by the construction when they enter and/or exit the restricted construction area.

#### **Article 10**

One Party shall ensure the safety of the construction staff of the other Party and that the properties and documents relevant to the construction will not be damaged.

The construction staff shall follow the domestic laws of the host country.

#### **Article 11**

Upon the entry into force of this Agreement, the relevant authorities of the Parties shall, in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement, hold consultations on the specific issues relating to the construction, management and maintenance of the Boundary River Bridge (the Resuo Bridge), and work out the relevant documents when necessary.

#### **Article 12**

Any disputes arising during the process of the construction, management and maintenance of the Boundary River Bridge (the Resuo Bridge) shall be settled through consultations between the relevant authorities of the Parties.

### Article 13

This Agreement may be amended or supplemented in form of protocols to this Agreement with consensus of the Parties.

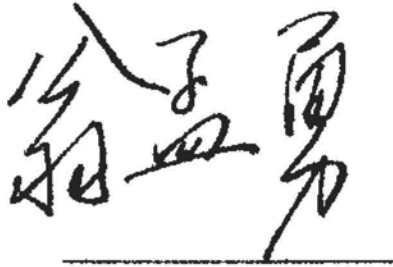
### Article 14

This Agreement shall enter into force on the date of its signature.

This Agreement shall be valid until one Party requests the other Party to terminate it with a written notice 6 months in advance. Article 6 to Article 10 shall be invalid on the date on which the main bridge and the approaches are completed and open to traffic.

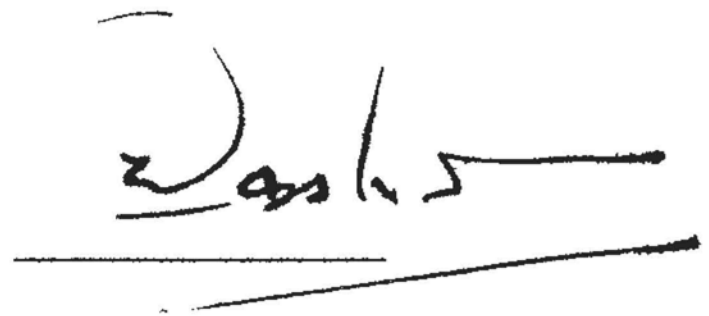
Signed on 17 August 2011 in Beijing, in duplicate in the languages of Chinese and English. Both texts are equally authentic.

For  
The Government of  
The People's Republic of China



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For  
The Government of Nepal



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