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**Country/entity** India

Darjeeling

**Region** Asia and Pacific

**Agreement name** Memorandum of Agreement on the Gorkha Territorial Administration

**Date** 18 Jul 2011

Agreement status Multiparty signed/agreed

**Interim** Yes

arrangement

#### India-Adivasi Conflicts (1955 - ) (Northeast India)

Several of seven sister states in Northeast India have had ongoing conflicts with the central Indian government, as well as among themselves following India's independence from the British Empire in 1947. Northeast India, in particular, lags behind the rest of India in infrastructure development. Tensions also exist between the various ethnic groups and Indian nationals migrated from elsewhere.

#### Bodoland:

The Bodo are a predominantly Christian group of about four million people living in the mountainous region of eastern Assam, India. Since 1986, the guerrilla organization – the National Democratic Front of Bodoland (NDFB) – fought for independence of Bodoland. An initial truce was signed in 1989 and negotiations began with the Assam government. However, the NDFB resumed the conflict and new attempts to reach a peace settlement have not been successful. In 2005, a faction of the NDFB entered negotiations and signed a ceasefire agreement after suffering heavy losses. This splintered the NDFB and more radical factions that continue to fight.

#### Darjeeling:

Gorkhas in the state of West Bengal waged a guerrilla war against the central government from 1986-1988. Anti-foreign riots started in 1979 after a steady infiltration of Hindus and Muslims from other parts of Bengal. Tensions continued until the Accord of Darjeeling peace agreement was concluded in 1988. This accord provided for an autonomous Gorkha district around Darjeeling, which would remain part of West Bengal. It was implemented in The Darjeeling Gorkha Hill Council (Amendment) Act of 1994. After 2007, a second wave of enthusiasm for Gorkhaland was revived by the Gorkha Janmukti Morcha, however, this time by non-violent means. Nonetheless, the introduction of Bengali into schools, raised tensions in a Nepali-speaking region and as of 2017 conflict appears to be increasing.

#### Hmar:

Tension in Mizoram were primarily due to political domination by the Assamese over the Mizo. The Mizo National Front was formed in 1961 in the aftermath of a devastating famine in the Mizo Hills in objection to Indian Government response, or lack of. With popular support the MNF staged an uprising in 1966, but was unable to take control. It was only in 1986 that a peace accord was signed granting Mizoram statehood and the MNF became a political party. The same year the Hmar People's Convention was formed as a political party advocating for the rights of the Hmar which were ignored by the 1986 peace accord. The movement aimed to create an autonomous state in the north of Mizoram. A 1994 agreement between the HPC and Indian government resulted in the formation of the Sinlung Hills Development Council. However, a splinter group - the Hmar People's Convention-Democracy - was formed in 1995 demanding a separate administration.

#### Manipur:

The Manipur insurgency is linked to national, ethnic and political identity issues that occupy many of the conflicts in India's northeast that emerged following the independence of India in 1947. Among the largest groups are the United National Liberation Front, the People's Revolutionary Party of Kangleipak, the People's Liberation Army of Manipur, and the Kanleipak Communist Party. The conflict continues as of 2017.

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**Stage** Framework/substantive - comprehensive

**Conflict nature** Government/territory

**Peace process** India-Darjeeling peace process

Parties (Dr. G.D. Gautama) Additional Chief Secretary, Home & Hill Affairs Department,

Government of West Bengal for and on behalf of the Government of West Bengal;

(Shri Rooshan Giri) General Secretary, Gorkha Janmukti Morcha, for and on behalf of the

Gorkha Janmukti Morcha;

(Shri K.K. Pathak) Joint Secretary to the Government of India Ministry of Home Affairs, for

and on behalf of the Government of India;

Third parties -

**Description** An agreement setting up and delineating the powers of the Gorkha Territorial

Administration. Agreement focuses on the political setup, powers, and financing of the

new administration, and sets out its relationship with the various other levels of

government.

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Groups

**Children/youth** Groups→Children/youth→Substantive

Page 5, Annexure 'A': List of Subjects to be transferred to the GTA

(14) Woman and Child Development and Social Welfare;

Page 4,

30) The GTA youth would be considered for recruitment in the Police, Army and Para

Military Forces subject to their suitability for such appointment.

Page 6, Annexure 'A': List of Subjects to be transferred to the GTA

(40) Sports and Youth Welfare;

**Disabled persons** No specific mention.

**Elderly/age** No specific mention.

**Migrant workers** No specific mention.

Racial/ethnic/ national group No specific mention.

**Religious groups** No specific mention.

**Indigenous people** Groups→Indigenous people→Rhetorical

Page 1, Untitled Preamble

... Whereas the objective of this Agreement is to establish an autonomous self governing Body to administer the region so that the socio-economic, infrastructural, educational, cultural, and linguistic, development is expedited and the ethnic identity of Gorkhas established, thereby achieving all round development of the people of the region;... Groups→Indigenous people→Substantive Page 2,

8) Regarding Tribal status to Gorkhas except the Scheduled Castes, the GJM or any organisation representing the Gorkhas will make an application to the Backward Classes Welfare Department of the State Government, which is the authority to process such claims. The Department, upon receiving such application supported by necessary documents will conduct a study through the Cultural Research Institute, Kolkata. After examination by the Department, the matter will be referred to the National Commission for Scheduled Tribes. The recommendations already submitted to the National Commission will be followed up by the State Government. The Government of India will consider for granting ST status to all the Gorkhas excepting SC.

#### Page 2-3,

10) There shall be a GTA Sabha for the GTA. There shall be a Chairman and Deputy Chairman to conduct the business of Council. The GTA Sabha shall consist of forty- five elected members and five members to be nominated by the Governor to give representation to members of SC, ST, women, and minority communities. The M.Ps, M.L.As, and Chairpersons of municipality(s) of the region shall be Ex-officio Members to this GTA Sabha. The term of the GTA shall be five years.

#### Other groups

No specific mention.

#### Refugees/displaced No specific mention.

persons

**Social class** 

No specific mention.

#### Gender

### Women, girls and

Page 2-3,

gender

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#### Men and boys

**LGBTI** No specific mention.

**Family** Page 5, Annexure 'A': List of Subjects to be transferred to the GTA

(16) "Health including Public Health and Family welfare" including hospitals,

dispensaries, health centres and sanatoriums, establishing a Nurses Training School;

#### **State definition**

## Nature of state (general)

Page 1, Untitled Preamble

Whereas the Gorkha Janamukti Morcha (GJM) has been demanding for quite sometime

past a separate State of Gorkhaland for the hill areas of Darjeeling district including some areas of Siliguri Terai and Dooars (hereinafter referred to as the Region); and

Whereas both the Government of India and the Government of West Bengal have

repeatedly emphasized the need for keeping the region as an integral part of the State of

West Bengal; and

**State configuration** No specific mention.

**Self determination** No specific mention.

**Referendum** No specific mention.

**State symbols** No specific mention.

Independence/ secession No specific mention.

Accession/ unification No specific mention.

**Border delimitation** No specific mention.

Cross-border provision

#### Governance

### Political

reformed)

institutions (new or (indefinite)

Governance→Political institutions (new or reformed)→New political institutions

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#### Page 3,

11) The Executive Body shall consist of a Chief Executive who will nominate fourteen members out of the elected / nominated members as Executive Member. One of them shall be the Deputy Chief to be nominated by the Chief Executive.

#### Page 3,

12) Every member of the GTA shall before taking seat make and subscribe before the Governor or one of the elected members appointed in that behalf by him an oath or affirmation. The Chief Executive shall be administered an oath or affirmation by the Governor.

#### Page 3,

13) There shall be a Principal Secretary of the GTA, who shall be of the rank of the Principal Secretary/Secretary to the State Government and who shall be selected by the Chief Executive from the panel sent by the State Government and shall be paid from the GTA Fund such salaries and allowances as may be fixed by the State Government. The Principal Secretary once deputed to the GTA shall not be transferred for a period of at least two years without the consent of the GTA.

#### Page 3,

20) The GTA will have the power of creating Group B, C and D posts with the approval of Governor. The recruitment to Group B, C and D posts will be through a Subordinate Service Selection Board to be set up for this purpose.

#### Page 3,

21) The State Public Service Commission shall be consulted for the recruitment of Group 'A' officers.

#### Page 3,

22) The State Government will set-up a separate School Service Commission, College Service Commission; open an office of the Regional Pension and Provident Directorate; and set up an office for Registration of land, building etc., marriage, society etc. in the GTA area, subject to extant rules and regulations.

#### Page 4,

27) Since the formation of new authority will take some time and since the developmental works in the hills, which have already suffered badly, cannot be allowed to suffer further, there will be a Board of Administrators in DGHC which would be fully empowered to exercise all the powers and functions of the Chief Executive Councilor under the DGHC Act, 1988 and to decide on the much needed developmental works in the hills. The Board of Administrators will comprise MLA, Darjeeling; MLA, Kurseong; MLA, Kalimpong; District Magistrate, Darjeeling and Administrator, DGHC in keeping with the proving on the sub-section (1) of Section 17 of the DGHC Act as amended vide Kolkata Gazette Notification of 22nd March, 2005.

#### **Elections**

Page 1,

1) An autonomous Body, which shall be called the Gorkhaland Territorial Administration (GTA), will be formed through direct election. A Bill for this purpose will be introduced in the West Bengal Legislative Assembly;

#### Page 4,

26) A three-tier Panchayat will be constituted by elections in the GTA region, subject to the provisions of Part IX of the Constitution of India. Notwithstanding anything contained in the West Bengal Panchayat Act 1973, or the West Bengal Municipal Act, 1993, the GTA shall exercise general powers of supervision over the Panchayats and the Municipalities.

### Electoral commission

No specific mention.

Political parties reform

No specific mention.

**Civil society** 

No specific mention.

## Traditional/ religious leaders

No specific mention.

### Public administration

Page 2,

9) In regard to regularization of all ad-hoc, casual, daily wage workers of DGHC, regularization by way of outright absorption is not feasible due to the current legal position as enunciated by the Hon'ble Supreme Court. However, those employees who have put in 10 years of continuous service would be guided by the Finance Department's order of 23rd April, 2010. Those outside this ambit would be extended an enhancement in wages. This would be equivalent to 75% of the remuneration admissible under the order of the Finance Department subject to a minimum of 5,000/- per month for those who have not completed 10 years of continuous service. As and when they complete 10 years of continuous service, they will be eligible for the full benefit in terms of the order of 23rd April, 2010. The employees will, however, have the liberty to apply for normal recruitment to any other posts of State Government. It was also agreed that the State Government will make necessary financial provisions for bearing the additional non-plan expenditure for this purpose.

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#### Constitution

### **Power sharing**

Political power sharing

### Territorial power sharing

Power sharing→Territorial power sharing→Autonomous regions Page 1, Untitled Preamble

... Whereas after several rounds of tripartite meetings at the ministerial and at the official levels, the GJM, while not dropping their demand for a separate State of Gorkhaland, has agreed to the setting up of an autonomous Body (hereinafter referred to as the new Body) empowered with administrative, financial and executive powers in regard to various subjects to be transferred to the said Body for the development of the region and restoration of peace and normalcy there at; and

#### Page 1, Untitled Preamble

... Whereas the objective of this Agreement is to establish an autonomous self governing Body to administer the region so that the socio-economic, infrastructural, educational, cultural, and linguistic, development is expedited and the ethnic identity of Gorkhas established, thereby achieving all round development of the people of the region; and

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1) An autonomous Body, which shall be called the Gorkhaland Territorial Administration (GTA), will be formed through direct election. A Bill for this purpose will be introduced in the West Bengal Legislative Assembly;

#### Page 1,

2) While under the provisions of the Constitution transfer of legislative powers to the new Body is not possible, the power to frame rules / regulations under the State Acts to control, regulate and administer the departments / offices and subjects transferred to the new Body will be conferred upon the new Body;

#### Page 1,

3) The administrative, executive and financial powers in respect of the subjects transferred will be vested in such a way that the new Body may function in an autonomous and effective way;

#### Page 1

4) The subjects alongwith all Departments / Offices to be transferred to the new Body is appended as Annexure – 'A'.

#### Page 4,

23) The Governor of West Bengal shall obtain a report on the functioning of the GTA and cause that report to be laid on the table of the West Bengal Legislative Assembly annually.

#### Page 4,

25) The GTA, once established, will separately take up the issues relating to grant of incentives, subsidies, waiver of taxes and tariff and other benefits as appropriate to the region's backwardness, with the Central and State Governments.

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26) A three-tier Panchayat will be constituted by elections in the GTA region, subject to the provisions of Part IX of the Constitution of India. Notwithstanding anything contained in the West Bengal Panchayat Act 1973, or the West Bengal Municipal Act, 1993, the GTA shall exercise general powers of supervision over the Panchayats and the Municipalities.

#### Page 5, Annexure 'A': List of Subjects to be transferred to the GTA

(1) Agriculture, including agricultural reducation and research protecting against pest and prevention of plants diseases; Horticulture, Floriculture and Food processing;

(2) Animal Husbandry and Votorinary, that is to say prospryation, protection and

### Economic power sharing

Power sharing→Economic power sharing→Sharing of resources Page 3.

14) The Government of India and the Government of West Bengal will provide all possible assistance to the GTA for the overall development of the region. The Government of India will provide financial assistance of Rs. 200 crore (Rupees Two Hundred Crore) per annum for 3 years for projects to develop the socio-economic infrastructure in GTA over and above the normal plan assistance to the State of West Bengal. A list of projects which may be considered to be taken up by the GTA is at Annexure 'B1'. List of projects to be separately taken up by the GTA with the State/Central Government is at 'B2'.

#### Page 3,

15) The Government of India/ State Government will provide one time financial assistance required for development of administrative infrastructure viz., GTA Sabha House, Secretariat Complex and the residential quarters for the elected members of GTA and the senior officers.

#### Page 3,

16) The allocation sanctioned in the budget of GTA and all funds sanctioned by the State or the Union Government which remain unspent at the close of the financial year shall be taken into account for the purpose of providing additional resources in the Budget of the following year or years and the fund requirements will be met on a yearly basis.

#### Page 3,

17) The Government of West Bengal shall provide formula based plan fund with 60 per cent weightage on population and the balance weightage on area backwardness, hill areas and border areas in two equal installments every year for executing development works.

#### Page 3,

18) The Government of West Bengal shall provide Non-plan grant including provisions for bearing the additional Non-plan expenditure for existing employees payable in two installments in respect of the offices / departments transferred to GTA.

#### Page 3,

19) The fund received from the Government of India shall not be diverted and the State Government shall release the fund in time.

# Military power sharing

Power sharing→Military power sharing→Proportionality Page 4,

30) The GTA youth would be considered for recruitment in the Police, Army and Para Military Forces subject to their suitability for such appointment.

#### **Human rights and equality**

**Human rights/RoL** No specific mention.

general

Bill of rights/similar No specific mention.

**Treaty** 

No specific mention.

incorporation

Civil and political

No specific mention.

rights

**Socio-economic** 

No specific mention.

rights

#### **Rights related issues**

Citizenship No specific mention.

**Democracy** No specific mention.

**Detention** procedures No specific mention.

**Media** and communication Rights related issues→Media and communication→Other

Page 6, Annexure 'A': List of Subjects to be transferred to the GTA

(24) Theatre, dramatic performances and cinemas (subject to the provisions of the Entry

60 of List I of the Seventh Schedule); Sports; entertainment and amusements; (33) Publicity and Public Relations including Regulation of Media – both Print and

Electronic media;

Mobility/access No specific mention.

**Protection** 

Rights related issues→Protection measures→Other

measures Page 5, Annexure 'A': List of Subjects to be transferred to the GTA

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prevention of plants diseases; Horticulture, Floriculture and Food processing; (2) Animal Husbandry and Veterinary, that is to say preservation, protection and improvement of stock and prevention of animal diseases, veterinary training and

practices, cattle pounds; Dairy development;

(9) Irrigation, drainage and embankments, floods and landslide protection;

Other No specific mention.

#### **Rights institutions**

**NHRI** No specific mention.

Regional or international

No specific mention.

international human rights institutions

#### **Justice sector reform**

**Criminal justice and** No specific mention. **emergency law** 

**State of emergency** No specific mention. **provisions** 

**Judiciary and** 

No specific mention.

courts

**Prisons and** 

No specific mention.

detention

**Traditional Laws** No specific mention.

#### **Socio-economic reconstruction**

# Development or socio-economic reconstruction

Socio-economic reconstruction  $\rightarrow$  Development or socio-economic reconstruction  $\rightarrow$  Socio-economic development

Page 3,

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Page 7-8, Annexure 'B1': LIST OF PROJECTS TO BE UNDERTAKEN BY THE GTA TO DEVELOP THE PHYSICAL AND SOCIAL INFRASTRUCTURE IN THE GTA AREA IN ORDER TO ACCELERATE THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE REGION

- 1. Comprehensive water supply system in the new body area;
- 2. Multi-super specialty Medical College and Hospital;
- 3. Establishment of Hospitality and Tourism Management Institute;
- 4. Establishment of a College of Nursing;
- 5. Establishment of a Gorkha House at New Delhi;
- 6. Establishment of an Institute for Research and Development of the Nepali Language;
- 7. Establishment of a Cultural Institute to preserve, promote and develop culture, tradition, heritage of the people of the region;
- 8. Establishment of Research and Development Institute for Tea and Cinchona;
- 9. Research and Development Institute for Horticulture, Floriculture;
- 10. Balasan Drinking Water Project to be taken up by the Union Government and be declared as a National Project;
- 11. Sidrabong Hydro Project has been declared a National Heritage but neglected. Funds for its maintenance and upkeep;
- 12. Food processing, agro-processing complex and cold storage;
- 13. Creation and development of the IT industry in this region;
- 14. A new bridge connecting Dooars to be constructed over the Teesta River as the only Coronation Bridge has become very old and it may collapse any time;
- 15. Mini and Micro Hydro Projects in GTA;
- 16. Establishment of Eight Multi disciplinary College different areas of the Region;
- 17. Establishment of Veterinary Hospitals;
- 18. High School/Higher Secondary School for every twenty-five villages;
- 19. Processing plants for Cinchona at Mungpoo;
- 20. Establishment of Polytechnics for all subdivisions;
- 21. 2 ITIs / Vocational Institutes in each subdivision;
- 22. Construction of Multi storied Car Parking at Darjeeling, Kurseong and Kalimpong;
- 23. Construction of Circular Road connecting Darjeeling Town-Lebong-Pandam-Jorebunglow-Darjeeling Town;
- 24. Construction of Rope way at Kalimpong( Delo Relly), at Darjeeling (Tukvar-Singla) and (Batasia-Roack Garden), at Mirik ( Mirik Kurseong), at Kurseong (Giddeypahar-Rohini);
- 25. Special Fund for the construction of Super-speciality Hospitals in every Sub-Division;
- 26. Creation of an Industrial zone in an area of at least 1000 acres in the plain areas of the proposed GTA and to be accorded status of special economic zone;
- 27. Institute of Capacity Building & Livelihood School.

**National economic** No specific mention.

plan

Natural resources

Page 2,

7) In regard to transfer of all forests including reserved forest, it was agreed that the State Government will make a reference to the Central Government on the issue of reserved forest as the power delegated to the State Government under the Central statute cannot be delegated to any other authority straightaway. However, all offices catering to the unreserved forests under the jurisdiction of GTA would also be transferred to GTA.

Page 5, Annexure 'A': List of Subjects to be transferred to the GTA

(8) Fisheries:

(11) Management of any forest, not being Reserved Forest; [Explanation – 'Reserved Forest' shall mean a reserved forest as constituted under Indian Forest Act 1927 (16 of 1927)];

**International funds** No specific mention.

#### **Business**

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- (1) Agriculture, including agricultural education and research protecting against pest and prevention of plants diseases; Horticulture, Floriculture and Food processing;
- (2) Animal Husbandry and Veterinary, that is to say preservation, protection and improvement of stock and prevention of animal diseases, veterinary training and practices, cattle pounds; Dairy development;
- (12) Cottage & Small Scale Industries including sericulture, handloom and textiles; handicrafts and Khadi and Village industries;

Page 6, Annexure 'A': List of Subjects to be transferred to the GTA

(36) Sericulture;

(37) Small, cottage and rural industry subject to the provisions of Entries 7 and 52 of List I of the Seventh Schedule;

**Taxation** 

Socio-economic reconstruction→Taxation→Power to tax

Page 4,

25) The GTA, once established, will separately take up the issues relating to grant of incentives, subsidies, waiver of taxes and tariff and other benefits as appropriate to the region's backwardness, with the Central and State Governments.

**Banks** 

#### Land, property and environment

Land reform/rights Land, property and environment→Land reform/rights→Land reform and management Page 5, Annexure 'A': List of Subjects to be transferred to the GTA (13) Cinchona plantation and settlement of land in possession of the plantation inhabitants: management of lease of cinchona lands etc. under it.

Page 6, Annexure 'A': List of Subjects to be transferred to the GTA

(21) Land & Land Revenue including allotment, occupation or use, setting apart of land other than land with reserved forest for the purposes of agriculture or grazing or for residential or other non-agricultural purposes to promote interest of the people;

#### Pastoralist/ nomadism rights

No specific mention.

#### **Cultural heritage**

Land, property and environment→Cultural heritage→Tangible Page 8, Annexure 'B1': LIST OF PROJECTS TO BE UNDERTAKEN BY THE GTA TO DEVELOP THE PHYSICAL AND SOCIAL INFRASTRUCTURE IN THE GTA AREA IN ORDER TO ACCELERATE THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE REGION

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#### **Environment**

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Page 6, Annexure 'A': List of Subjects to be transferred to the GTA (39) Soil conservation;

#### Water or riparian rights or access

Page 6, Annexure 'A': List of Subjects to be transferred to the GTA (19) Water Resources Investigation and Minor Irrigation;

Page 7, Annexure 'B1': LIST OF PROJECTS TO BE UNDERTAKEN BY THE GTA TO DEVELOP THE PHYSICAL AND SOCIAL INFRASTRUCTURE IN THE GTA AREA IN ORDER TO ACCELERATE THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE REGION

1. Comprehensive water supply system in the new body area;

#### **Security sector**

Security **Guarantees**  No specific mention.

Ceasefire

No specific mention.

**Police** 

Page 4,

30) The GTA youth would be considered for recruitment in the Police, Army and Para

Military Forces subject to their suitability for such appointment.

**Armed forces** 

Page 4,

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Military Forces subject to their suitability for such appointment.

**DDR** 

No specific mention.

Intelligence services

No specific mention.

Parastatal/rebel

Page 4,

and opposition group forces

30) The GTA youth would be considered for recruitment in the Police, Army and Para

Military Forces subject to their suitability for such appointment.

Withdrawal of foreign forces

No specific mention.

Corruption

No specific mention.

Crime/organised

crime

No specific mention.

**Drugs** 

No specific mention.

**Terrorism** 

No specific mention.

#### **Transitional justice**

**Transitional justice** No specific mention.

general

Amnesty/pardon

Transitional justice→Amnesty/pardon→Amnesty/pardon proper

Page 4,

29) A review will be done by the State Government of all the cases registered under various laws against persons involved in the GJM agitation. Steps will be taken in the light of the review, not to proceed with prosecution in all cases except those charged with murder. Release of persons in custody will follow the withdrawal of cases.

**Courts** No specific mention.

**Mechanism** No specific mention.

**Prisoner release** Page 4,

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**Vetting** No specific mention.

**Victims** No specific mention.

**Missing persons** No specific mention.

**Reparations** No specific mention.

**Reconciliation** No specific mention.

#### Implementation

**UN signatory** No specific mention.

**Other international** No specific mention. **signatory** 

Referendum for agreement

No specific mention.

International mission/force/

No specific mention.

similar

**Enforcement** Page 4,

mechanism 31) The implementation of the provision of the Memorandum of Agreement shall be

periodically reviewed by a committee representing the Government of India,

Government of West Bengal and GJM.

**Related cases** No specific mention.

**Source** http://online.wsj.com/public/resources/documents/GorkhalandAgreement.pdf