

PROCEEDINGS

Ninth Meeting of the Finance Committee

Venue: Jamia Millia Islamia  
Campus (Residence of  
Dr. K.G. Saiyidain)

Date: September 22, 1970

Time: 3.00 P.M

PROCEEDINGS

Present:-

1. Dr. K.G. Saiyidain	..	Chairman
2. Prof. M.V. Mathur	..	Member
3. Prof. V.K. Gokak	..	Member
4. Shri R.S. Chitkara	..	Member
5. Shri O.P. Mohla	..	Member
6. Shri H.D. Gulati	..	Secretary

2. The decisions taken in respect of the various items of the

Agenda are as below:-

Item No. 1: To receive and confirm the minutes of the meeting of the Finance Committee held on August 3, 1970.

The minutes were confirmed.

Item No. 2: To consider the Fourth Five Year Plan Schemes of the Institute

<sup>Shri</sup> Mr. O.P. Mohla observed that, as against the total available plan outlay of Rs 17.125 lakhs, the Institute had presented a plan involving Rs 22.56 lakhs. As there was no likelihood of additional funds being available, it was necessary to effect economy in the proposed estimates of cost on various schemes, as far as possible.

The Committee went into <sup>the</sup> details of each plan scheme and made the following recommendations:-

(a) Library: Books and Periodicals etc.

The Committee noted that a provision of about Rs 1.60 lakhs was being made for this item in the annual non-plan budget. In view of this and to bring down the total cost of the Plan Schemes within the available outlay, it was decided to make a small reduction of ~~only~~

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Rs 20,000 in the estimates for 1971-72 and Rs 25,000 each in those for 1972-73 and 1973-74.

(b) Additional Fellows: The Committee observed that the addition of <sup>15</sup> ~~fifteen~~ Fellows, besides six Core Fellows, would raise the total number of Fellows in the Institute from the present 35 to 56 at the end of the Fourth Five Year Plan. Since the Governing Body had earlier decided that the total number of Fellows might reach 50 at the end of the current Plan, <sup>the six core fellows be included in the total of 50 and</sup> it was decided that ~~only~~ nine Fellows might be added in the final year of the Plan.

(c) Permanent Core of Fellows: It was agreed that the expenditure on the scheme should be totally met out of the Plan provision to avoid any accounting difficulties.

The Chairman suggested and the members agreed that it should be clarified in the Scheme that the Core Fellow in Natural Sciences would deal with the <sup>broad themes connected with</sup> ~~general field of sciences~~ such as the philosophy <sup>and</sup> history of Science and the inter-relation of Natural Sciences with other disciplines and would not be selected to undertake research in a particular science, ~~or~~ such.

It was decided ~~that~~, with a view to economising expenditure on administrative and secretarial assistance to Core Fellow <sup>s that</sup> two Fellows should have one Stenographer and one Class IV staff between them.

As regards the Computer, <sup>a couple of</sup> it was decided that ~~one small size~~ <sup>electric machines for the statistics</sup> Computer might be purchased as early as possible and a suitable budget provision <sup>be</sup> made in B.E 1971-72.

(d) Additions and alterations and Original Works: Prof. Mathur was of the view that expenditure on these items should either be provided in the Capital budget of the Ministry of Education or that of the Ministry of Works, Housing and Urban Development. He was informed that the Ministry of Education had already been approached to move the Ministry of Works, Housing and Urban Development to take over the expenditure amounting to Rs 2,35,785.41, incurred in the past on additions/

alteration as well as <sup>an</sup> original works like the retaining wall, etc. It was, however, not certain whether the Ministry of Works, Housing ~~and Urban Development~~ and Urban Development would agree to undertake this liability. If they did, the question of the Institute meeting cost of such items would not arise. Until a final decision was taken, it was considered necessary to make some provision for small additions/alteration, like provision of flush latrines, kitchen sinks, etc.

The Committee, while agreeing to the retention of the proposed provision, made as a measure of caution, recommended that this matter should be specifically sorted out <sup>by the Education Ministry in consultation with the Director</sup> with the Ministry of Works, Housing and Urban Development which was, in fact, the owner of the property.

The Committee was informed by the Director that final payments to the CPWD would <sup>be made hence forward and</sup> be made ~~henceforward~~ after obtaining a regular bill indicating the total cost of the work involved. Care would be taken to see that the ultimate payment is made only on the basis of the bills received.

In view of the above recommendations of the Committee, the total Plan outlay on the various Schemes comes to Rs 18.62 lakhs, as indicated in the <sup>Annexure. Enclosed</sup> ~~enclosed statement~~. This was approved by the Committee.

Item No.3: To consider the R.E. 1970-71 and B.E 1971-72

The Committee suggested that it would be desirable to make a <sup>of Rs 20,000/-</sup> provision for the purchase of <sup>electric machines for use in the</sup> ~~an electric calculating machine in~~ <sup>Statistics Department - in the 1971-72 budget instead of in 1972-73</sup> 1971-72 (the amount involved is Rs 20,000)

Taking the above into account the following ceilings (exclusive of the likely income of Rs 40,000) were approved for the Plan and Non-Plan R.E 1970-71 and B.E 1971-72.

N. Plan/Plan	1970-71		1971-72	
	B.E	R.E	B.E	
1	2	3	4	
Rs. in lakhs				
Non-Plan	15.05	16.05	18.33	
Plan	3.00	2.03	4.78	4.42

Supplementary Agents

Supplementary item 1: Powers of the Director in regard to filling of Leave vacancies.

Professor Mathur observed that there appeared to be some lacuna in the powers conferred on the Director with regard to making promotion<sup>s</sup>/appointments etc. Since the Director was empowered to make appointments to posts the minimum of the scale of which ~~does~~<sup>did</sup> not exceed Rs 350/- & it should also be within his powers to order officiating promotions, provided he was satisfied that the promotees had the necessary qualifications/experience laid down for the post. In fact, the Director should also be empowered to appoint~~ment~~ persons from outside on a temporary basis in case suitably qualified departmental persons were not available. It was also his view that the Director could order promotion<sup>s</sup> against vacancies longer than four months' duration by limiting the period of promotion to four months. In case it was not possible to make a suitable appointment from outside to fill the post, during this ~~four months~~ period, the Director could approach the Governing Body to allow the officiating arrangements to continue. The Committee accepted this view-point. Considering various aspects of the case, the Committee recommended that the Governing Body be requested to confer on the Director the 'Power to sanction temporary appointment<sup>s</sup>/officiating promotions in leave vacancies for periods not exceeding four months in the first instance, and for longer periods with the approval of the Governing Body.'

Supplementary item 2: To consider revision of the scale of Pay of the Public Relations Officer

Shri Mohla and Mr. Chitkara <sup>were of a view</sup> observed that, since the Public Relations Officer had agreed to come <sup>on</sup> to a lower scale of Pay, without any conditions, there was hardly any case for upgradation of the scale of pay. However, <sup>as a claim would not</sup> taking note of the fact that the period of service rendered by the Public Relations Officer in the lower scale would not count towards his increment in his parent scale, the ~~Committee~~ <sup>and the</sup> Committee recommended, as a very special case, that the Public Relations Officer (Shri Ram Lok) be given the personal scale of Rs 350-800).

As regards the deputation allowance, the question did not arise since <sup>he</sup> had not asked for it, nor was there any justification for it considering the fact that he had voluntarily accepted appointment in a lower grade.

3. The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the chair.

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