Indian Institute of Advanced Study Rashtrapati Nivas, Shimla-171005

PROCEEDINGS OF THE FIFTY-SECOND MEETING OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE HELD AT 11.00 A.M. ON THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 1995 AT C-499, DEFENCE COLONY, NEW DELHI - 110 024.

PRESENT:

- 1. Professor T.R. Natesan (in the Chair)
- 2. Professor Mrinal Miri
- 3. Shri Durgadas Gupta
- 4. Shri Satpal (Representative of Financial Adviser, Ministry of Human Resource Development).

Professor R.P. Kaushik could not attend the meeting.

Item No.1: To confirm the minutes of the 51st meeting of the Finance Committee held on August 29, 1995.

Minutes of the 51st meeting of the Finance Committee held on August 29, 1995 were confirmed.

Item No.2: To note and consider the action taken on the minutes of the 51st meeting of the Finance Committee held on August 29, 1995.

Action taken on the minutes of the 51st meeting of the Finance Committee held on August 29, 1995 was noted.

Item No.3: To consider and approve the Revised Estimates 1995-96 and Budget Estimates 1996-97.

The Budget was discussed in detail by the Committee and it was suggested that the budget be recast covering the following points:-

- (a) The exact amount demanded from the Government in the Revised Estimates 1995-96 and Budget Estimates 1996-97 should be exclusive of the receipts of the Institute.
- (b) Actual expenditure upto 30.9.1995 along with Budget Estimates 1995-96 should be reflected in the explanatory note.
- (c) The exact amount payable on account of D.A., Bonus and Inerim Relief etc. sanctioned during the year should be worked out and shown in the explanatory note.

- (d) O.T.A. in the Revised Estimates should be restricted to the Budget Estimates for 1995-96 i.e. Rs.0.50 lakh and also in the Budget Estimates for 1996-97 to Rs.0.50 lakh.
- (e) The actual liabilities on account of payment of DCRG/Pension should be worked out in respect of all the retired Officers/Officials.
- (f) (i) In both the Revised Estimates for 1995-96 and Budget Estimates 1996-97, expenditure in meetings of Society, Governing Body and Finance Committee etc., should be restricted to Rs.3.20 lakhs.
 - (ii) Budget Estimates for 1996-97 in respect of TA/DA to Fellows should be restricted to Rs.1.20 lakhs and TA/DA to Officers/Staff to Rs.1.25 lakhs.
- (g) In respect of office expenses, Revised Estimates for 1995-96 should be restricted to Rs.17.00 lakhs and Budget Estimates for 1996-97 to Rs.18.00 lakhs.
- (h) In respect of Delhi Guest House, Revised Estimates for 1995-96 and Budget Estimates for 1996-97 should be restricted to Rs.1.75 lakhs.
- (i) The details of the M.C. taxes with reference to the areas or buildings for which these are being paid should be furnished to the Governing Body with a copy to the Ministry of Human Resource Development.
- (j) Under the head "Library", the amount of Revised Estimates 1995-96 and Budget Estimates 1996-97 should be restricted to Rs.25.00 lakhs.
- (k) Under the sub-head "Photography", the amount in both the Revised Estimates 1995-96 and Budget Estimates 1996-97 should be restricted to Rs.0.02 lakh.
- (1) The demand for funds against sub-head "House Building Advance" should be included under "PLAN". Revised Estimates for 1995-96 and Budget Estimates for 1996-97 against sub-head "Scooter Advance" should be restricted to Rs.0.39 lakhs and Rs.0.40 lakhs respectively.
- (m) Insofar as Plan Estimates are concerned, it was suggested that an Action Plan for Special Repairs to Rashtrapati Nivas be prepared and work expediated. The Action Plan should show details of works to be under taken phase wise, and estimated expenditures. Phasing of expenditure should be dovetailed to the Action Plan.

The Finance Committee also recommended that financial implications/liabilities of the Institute on account of implementation of the recommendation of the Fifth Pay Commission should be cast separately and sent to the Ministry of Human Resource Development for sanction of additional grant.

Item No.4: To consider the proposal for providing security at Rashtrapati Nivas Estate - IIAS, Shimla.

The Finance Committee agreed to the proposal subject to the condition that proper tendering procedure is followed.

Item No.5: To consider and approve the consultancy fee payable to INTACH.

The item was discussed in detail and it was recommended that a detailed statement of INTACH's work so far in respect of preservation and conservation of Rashtrapati Nivas showing also the consultancy fee structure proposed by INTACH for the work should be sent to the Ministry for its consideration. The statement may also give details about INTACH's credentials for this kind of work, and profiles of experts to be engaged by them.

Item No.6: To consider and approve the proposal to authorise the Institute to operate a Fixed Deposit/Saving Bank Account.

The proposal was agreed to and recommended to the Governing Body for approval.

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the Chair.

(Mrinal Miri)

(T.R. Natesan)