

**MINUTES OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRTEENTH MEETING OF THE
GOVERNING BODY HELD AT 4.30 P.M. ON JUNE 4, 2003 AT
INDIAN INSTITUTE OF ADVANCED STUDY, SHIMLA.**

Present

1. Professor G.C.Pande, Chairman (in Chair)
2. Dr. L. L.Mehrotra
3. Professor M.D.Srinivas
4. Dr. Kireet Joshi
5. Professor Kapil Kapoor
6. Professor K.N. Pathak
7. Professor B.K.Joshi
8. Shri V.K.Pipersenia (Financial Adviser, Ministry of Human Resource Development)
9. Shri. S.N.Burman (representative of Bureau Head, Union Ministry of Human Resource Development)
10. Professor Bhuvan Chandel
11. Shri Padamvir Singh, Non-member Secretary

The Chairman, UGC, Professor Arun Nigavekar; Director General, CSIR, Professor R.A.Mashelkar; Chairman, ICSSR, Professor V.R.Panchamukhi; Chairman, ICHR, Professor M.G.S.Narayanan; and Director, National Museum, Dr. R.D.Choudhry could not attend the meeting.

Item No.1: To confirm the minutes of the 112th meeting of the Governing Body held on 28 April 2003.

It was resolved that the minutes be confirmed.

Item No.2: To note and consider the action taken on the minutes of the 112th meeting of the Governing Body held on 28 April 2003.

It was resolved that the report of the action taken be noted.

Item No.3: To consider the Director's Report on the academic activities of the Institute and the progress of expenditure from 29.4.2003 to 25.5.2003.

It was resolved that the Director's Report be accepted with appreciation. During the discussion of the activities reported upon, the following decisions were taken:

It was resolved that the Advisory Committee for South-East Asian Studies constituted on 21st July 2002 be reconstituted under the advice of Dr. L.L.Mehrotra. Additionally Dr. Mehrotra be authorized to take the initiative in implementing the programmes of the Project India and the World with special reference to South-East Asia.

Item No.4: To consider and approve the award of Fellowship for the year 2003.

The following recommendations of the Selection Committee were approved and it was resolved to award Fellowships to:

S.No.	Name	Research Project	Duration
1.	Dr.(Mrs.) Neelima Vashista	Tradition and Modernity in Indian Art during the 20 th Century	One year
2.	Dr. Laxmi Narayan	Indian Diaspora: A Brief History	One year
3.	Dr.Pranay K. Kundu	Indianness and Renindranath Tagore: A Study.	One year
4.	Dr. Krishan Kumar Sharma	A Cultural Study of the Kausikasutra of Atharvaveda	One year
5.	Dr. Narendra G. Mehta	Human Behaviour : at Cross-Roads of Biology and Civil Society	One year
6.	Dr. Michael Danino*	Yoga, Evolution and Mutation of Human Species	One year

* In this case it was decided that the Project Proposal of Dr. Michael Danino may be procured and submitted for the approval of the Chairman.

In the case of the following recommendations of the Selection Committee, it was resolved that the concerned scholars be asked to reformulate their proposals:

1. Dr. Harish Naraindas
2. Dr. Asha Sarangi

Item No.5: To consider and approve the extension of Fellowships of the Fellows of the Institute.

It was observed that all cases of extension will be referred to the Chairman for his consideration and decision as before.

Item No. 6: To consider an Action Plan for the year 2003-2004 and 2004-2005 in respect of the project "Study of Indian Civilization".

On the basis of discussions on the subject and on the background paper presented, the following decisions were taken:

1. It was resolved that Standard Texts on Indian Civilization be prepared on the following themes:
 - a. History
 - b. Philosophy
 - c. Art
 - d. Literature

Each of the texts should be of about 500 pages and about 6 scholars should be requested to contribute to each of the volumes. For work done on these texts, remuneration may be made at Rs. 100 per page.

2. It was resolved that a scheme be proposed for undertaking work on contemporary issues from a long term perspective in the light of theory and history.

Supplementary Items

Item No. 7: To consider the proposal to authorize the Director to approve all cases of translation, standard texts, original monographs etc under the project 'Study of Indian Civilization'.

It was resolved that the proposal be approved subject to the general directions of the Governing Body and the guidance of the Chairman.

Item No. 8: To consider the revised proposal to pay TA/DA to participants in Seminars and Conferences and enhanced sitting fee to non-official members as per UGC norms.

It was resolved that the proposal be approved.

Item No. 9: To consider the request made by Dr. T.S.Rukmani, Fellow, for staggering her fellowship.

It was resolved not to accept the staggering of fellowships. Dr. T.S. Rukmani be informed accordingly.

Item No.10: To consider the recommendations made by the Peer Review Committee constituted by the Governing Body

The early submission of such a report was greeted with high appreciation. It was further resolved that the comments if any on the report be obtained from the members of the Governing Body and that a copy of the same be sent to MHRD, Government of India.

Item No.11: To consider the Contingency Plan as required by Ministry of Human Resource Development

The Contingency Plan prepared by CPWD was placed for the consideration of the Governing Body. It was resolved that the Contingency Plan be modified to take into account the following:

1. The plan should include the dislocation costs; and
2. Considering the future development and expansion of the institute the proposed area should be increased to at least 100 acres.

It was also resolved that the Chairman be authorized to take such decisions in the matter that he may deem fit and proper.

Item No.12: To consider the letter of Ministry of Human Resource Development regarding the revision of terms and conditions for the award of National Fellowships at the Institute including the enhancement of Fellowship grant.

It was resolved that the proposal be adopted and the revised rates may be approved from the date of revision.

Item No.13: To consider the legal opinions obtained, consequent upon the Supreme court decision of 21st April 2003.

It was resolved that considering the legal opinions obtained by the institute, the Chairman be authorized to take such necessary action as he may deem fit and proper. It was also resolved that the Chairman be authorized to constitute a delegation of the Governing Body to approach the Government of India.

Under any other item with the permission of the Chairman, the following two items were taken up for consideration :

Item No.14: To consider a letter from Professor Kireet Joshi regarding residential requirement for National Fellows.

The members considered the letter received from Professor Kireet Joshi and resolved that under very exceptional circumstances the residential requirement for a National Fellow of the Institute may be relaxed by the Chairman.

Item No. 15: To consider and approve the award of National Fellowship.

The Chairman, after consulting the Search Committee for the award of National Fellowships proposed that National Fellowship of the Institute be offered to Professor D.P. Chattopadhyaya. The proposal was accepted unanimously with applause.

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


(Padamvir Singh)
Non-member Secretary


(Bhuvan Chandel)
Director

Countersigned


(G.C. Pande)
Chairman