

INDIAN INSTITUTE OF ADVANCED STUDY
RASHTRAPATI NIVAS, SHIMLA - 171005

PROCEEDINGS OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTEENTH MEETING OF THE GOVERNING BODY HELD AT 3.00 P.M. ON WEDNESDAY, 22 OCTOBER 2003, IN COMMITTEE ROOM NO. III (ANNEXE BUILDING), AT INDIA INTERNATIONAL CENTRE, 40, MAX MUELLER MARG, NEW DELHI - 110 003.

Present:

1. Professor G.C. Pande (in Chair)
2. Professor Lakhan Lal Mehrotra
3. Professor M.D. Srinivas
4. Professor K.N. Pathak
5. Professor Kapil Kapoor
6. Dr. R.D. Choudhury
7. Shri P. Sukumar (representative of the Secretary, Department of Secondary & Higher Education, Ministry of Human Resource Development).
8. Shri Sudhakaran (representative of the Financial Advisor, Department of Secondary & Higher Education, Ministry of Human Resource Development).
9. Professor Bhuvan Chandel
8. Shri Padamvir Singh, Non-Member Secretary

The Chairman UGC, Professor Arun Nigavaker, Director-General, CSIR, Professor R.A. Mashelkar, Chairman, ICSSR, Professor V.R. Panchamukhi, Chairman, ICHR, Professor M.G.S. Narayanan, Chairman, ICPR, Dr. Kireet Joshi and Dr. B.K. Joshi could not attend the meeting.

Item No.1: To confirm the minutes of the 113th meeting of the Governing Body held on 4 June 2003.

It was resolved that the minutes be confirmed.

Item No.2: To note and consider the action taken on the minutes of the 113th meeting of the Governing Body held on 4 June 2003.

It was resolved that the report on the action taken be noted along with the following observations: -

- (a) Under Item No.2 (4), wherein Fellowships were offered, some of the Scholars have not responded. It was, therefore, resolved that final reminders may be issued to the scholars. Also a final reminder may be sent to Dr. Harish Narayan Dass, and Dr. Asha Sarangi to reformulate their proposals.

- (b) It was resolved that Heads of Institutions be approached for inviting applications for Fellowships. This may also be advertised on the Website. While inviting such applications, mention of short terms Fellowship may also be made.
- (c) It was suggested that in the future a panel of scholars may also be drawn up who may be offered Fellowship, if the initially selected scholars fail to join within the stipulated time.
- (d) While discussing on Item No. 2(10), it was resolved that an operational note on the important recommendations along with the report of the Peer Review Committee be placed in the next meeting of the Governing Body.

Item No.3: To consider the Director's Report on the academic Activities of the Institute and progress of expenditure upto 30.9.2003.

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: -

- (a) The matter of filling up vacant posts in the Library may be taken up on priority with the Ministry of Human Resource Development.
- (b) Publications under the Dissemination of Knowledge Series be sent to the Scholars by name which should include Ex-Fellows. Such a mailing list of scholars be prepared by the Institute.

Item No.4: To consider and approve the proposal regarding the award of Fellowships to creative writers and scholars from administrative stream.

It was resolved that each year not more than one from each category be selected and that at any time not more than Three Creative Writers/ Administrators should be in position at the Institute.

Item No.5: To consider and approve the proposal regarding institution of annual lecture on the occasion of 'Foundation Day' of the Institute i.e. 20 October every year.

It was resolved that the proposal be approved. Further that the terms and conditions for the Lecture must include, besides TA/DA and free hospitality a token sum of Rs.10,000/- as honorarium for the lecture.

Item No.6: To consider and approve the proposal regarding setting up a Centre for South, South-East and Central Asian Studies at the Institute.

It was resolved that the study of South, South East and Central Asia be initially taken up as a Sub-Project within the over all frame work of the "Project on Study of Indian Civilization".

Item No.7: To report the action taken by the Chairman, Governing Body regarding extension of the term of Fellowships of the Fellows at the Institute.

The report regarding action taken by the Chairman, Governing Body was noted. While discussing the matter of extension of Fellowship to the Fellows, it was felt that the term of the Fellowship should be clearly determined at the time of award of the Fellowship.

Item No.8: To report the action taken by the Chairman, Governing Body regarding award of Fellowship to Professor L.P. Pandey in lieu of Dr. Michael Danino.

The Director reported that one of the awardees Dr. Michael Danino had expressed his unwillingness to accept the Fellowship. Consequently the Director had approached the Chairman for an alternative nomination for the award. Chairman had nominated Professor L.P. Pandey. Governing Body noted the same.

Item No.9: To consider and approve the award of Fellowship to Professor Masatoshi A. Konishi, Head, Department of History, Rikkyo University, Tokyo (Japan), for a period of three months.

It was resolved that the proposal be approved. Professor Masatoshi A. Konishi during his tenure may be asked to prepare a Paper and give a presentation.

Item No.10. To consider and approve the request of Dr. Chandrakala Padia, Fellow-designate regarding extension of time for joining the Institute.

It was resolved that in the case of Dr. Padia, the current offer may be treated as valid till November, 2003, after which she could apply afresh.

Item No.11: To consider and approve the proposal for writing off an amount of Rs.11,844.00 on account of recovery of penal rent pertaining to the residential accommodation allotted to Dr. M. Zuberi and B.N. Saraswati, Ex-Fellows at the Institute.

It was resolved that the proposal be approved.

Item No.12: To report the action taken by the Chairman, Governing Body, to invite Shri T.N. Chaturvedi, Hon'ble Governor of Karnataka to deliver the Radhakrishnan Memorial Lecture for the year 2004.

The action taken by the Chairman was appreciated.

Item No.13: To consider and approve the proposal for inviting Visiting Professor for delivering lectures at the Institute during the year 2004.

(i) It was resolved that the following be added to the panel:-

Dr. M.S. Sri Ram, Department of Theoretical Physics, University of Madras.

Dr. Shri Hari, Dravadiam University, Kuppam, Andhra Pradesh.

Dr. Gautam Patel, Chairman, Sanskrit Academy, Gujarat, Ahmedabad.

(ii) Dr. M. D. Srinivas, requested that his name may be dropped.

(iii) It was also resolved that the Chairman be authorized to take a final decision in the matter of selection of names for being invited as Visiting Professors especially if invitees from the approved list decline or do not turn up.

Item No.14: To consider and approve the proposal for holding two International Seminars/Conferences at the Institute during the year 2004-2005 in collaboration, if possible, with ICPR and CSC

It was resolved that the proposal be approved.

Item No.15: To consider and approve the institution of some short term fellowships to foreign scholars.

It was resolved that such short term Fellowship be awarded under usual terms and conditions.

Item No.16: To consider the possibility of cultural exchange programme.

The idea was approved in principle. It was decided that the possibilities for such exchange programmes may be explored wherein bi-lateral arrangements could be worked out on the basis of suitable MoUs.

Item No.17: To consider and approve the recommendations made by the Finance Committee at its 70th meeting held on 22 October 2003.

The recommendations made by the Finance Committee were approved.

The Meeting ended with a Vote of thanks to the Chair.

Sd/-
(Padamvir Singh)
Non-Member Secretary

Sd/-
(Bhuvan Chandel)
Director

Sd/-
(G.C. Pande)
Chairman