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THE MINUTES OF THE ONE HUNDREDTH ONE (101TH) MEETING OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE OF THE INDIAN INSTITUTE OF ADVANCED STUDY, SHIMLA HELD ON THE 15th DECEMBER 2014, MONDAY, AT 11.45 A.M. AT THE CAMP OFFFICE OF THE INSTITUTE AT C-499, CHAKRAVARTHI VITHI, DEFENCE COLONY, NEW DELHI-110 024

Present:

1. Professor Madhavan K. Palat In Chair

2. Shri Yogendra Tripathi, IAS Joint Secretary & Financial Adviser,

MHRD

3. Professor Bijoy Boruah Member

4. Professor B. S. Chimini Member

5. Professor Chetan Singh Director, IIAS

Shri Suneel Verma, IRS, Secretary, IIAS also attended the meeting.

At the outset, the Chairman welcomed the Members and thanked them for their continued support and guidance.

Thereafter, the formal Agenda was taken up for discussion.

Item No. 1: To confirm the minutes of the 100th Meeting of the Finance Committee held on 23rd September 2014.

The minutes of the 100th Meeting of the Finance Committee were confirmed.

Item No.2: To consider the action taken report on the minutes of the 100th Meeting of the Finance Committee held on 23rd September 2014.

It was resolved to confirm the Minutes under this item.

Item No.3: To consider and approve the expenditure up to 30th November 2014 of the 2nd and 3rd quarters of (2014-15) under Non-Plan and Plan.

The Committee deliberated and after detailed discussions it was resolved to approve the expenditure incurred by the Institute in the 2nd quarter and upto 30th November 2014 in the 3rd quarter of 2014-2015 under Non-plan and Plan.

Item No.4: To consider and approve to increase the rates of Dearness Allowance (D A) for Fellows during fieldwork.

The Director briefed the members about the DA paid to Fellows during Study Tour and informed them that no contingency was given to Fellows as the Fellowship is residential and all facilities are provided to the Fellows. The books are directly procured for them by Institute Library.

After detailed discussion, it was resolved to recommend the increase of Daily Allowance (DA) (Not Dearness Allowance as mistakenly mentioned in the Agenda) @ up to Rs.800/- per day from the current financial year, subject to expenditure having been incurred and certified by the Fellow concerned. The rates would be revised after two years.

Item No.5: To consider and approve the grant of lump sum transportation charges to the Fellows for carrying personal belongings.

After detailed discussion, it was resolved to recommend approval of a lump sum transportation charges @ up to Rs.5000/- (Rupees five thousand) each way to all Fellows (i.e. Indian as well as the foreigners) on production of original bills from the next calendar year. The rates would be revised after two years.

Item No.6: To consider and approve the subscription of South Asia Archive (SAA) for the use of scholars.

The Director was asked to examine alternative South Asia archival sources available from reputed academic institutions, and place the matter before the Committee.

Item No.7: Any other item(s) with the permission of the Chair

Item No.1: To report and request for ex-post approval towards the expenditure incurred because of the visit of the Chairperson to Bonn, Germany from 27-31 October 2014.

The Finance Committee noted the contents of the item.

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

Sd/-(Chetan Singh) 15/12/2014 Sd/-(Madhavan K. Palat) 15/12/2014