

**INDIAN INSTITUTE OF PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION
INDRAPRASTHA ESTATE, RING ROAD, NEW DELHI**

**Minutes of the 274th meeting of the Executive Council held on
September 11, 2009 at 4.00 p.m. in the Conference Hall of the Institute**

		PRESENT	
1.	Shri T.N. Chaturvedi	-	Chairman
2.	Dr. Yogendra Narain		
3.	Dr. K. Malaisamy		
4.	Shri S. Ramanathan		
5.	Dr. V. Shanmugasundaram		
6.	Prof. S.P. Verma		
7.	Prof. R.V. Dhanapalan		
8.	Dr. S.L. Goel		
9.	Shri B.V. Krishna Kumar		
10.	Prof. S.N. Mishra		
11.	Shri N.S. Periyaswamy		
12.	Dr. (Mrs) N. Rajalakshmi		
13.	Dr. A. Eswara Reddi		
14.	Prof. (Mrs.) S. Saroja		
15.	Dr. Brij Mohan Sharma		
16.	Dr. (Mrs.) Aruna Sivakami		
17.	Dr. K.N. Srivastava		
18.	Dr. Har Swarup		
19.	Shri T.N. Dhar		
20.	Shri M.C. Gupta		
21.	Shri K.K. Sethi		
22.	Shri Suryya Ray		
23.	Prof. Joseph K. Alexander	}	Faculty Representatives
24.	Prof. J. Guha Roy	}	
25.	Prof. (Mrs.) Rajesh Singh	}	
26.	Shri B.S. Baswan	-	Director & Member-Secretary

Shri Ajay Sawhney, Jt. Secretary, DoPT on behalf of the Secretary, Personnel also attended the meeting.

Dr. Naresh Kumar, Registrar, Dr. C. Giri, Dy. Registrar (AS), Dr. B.D. Singh, Dy. Registrar (Admn.), Shri Suresh Chandra, Dy. Registrar (Fin) and Shri R.K. Yadav, Asstt. Registrar were also present.

The Chairman informed the House about the sad demise of Shri T.R. Satish Chandran on 10 September, 2009 at Bangalore. He was a very eminent civil servant and a life member of IIPA, and was also a member of the Alagh Committee on IIPA. The House mourned the passing away of Shri Satish Chandran and observed a minute's silence as a mark of respect to the departed soul. The Chairman mentioned that a condolence message may be sent to the bereaved family on behalf of the Executive Council of the IIPA.

Item No.274.1 Grant of leave of absence to Members.

The following members could not attend the meeting and were granted leave of absence:

1. Dr. R. Balasubramanian
2. Shri P.R. Shampath
3. Prof. N.P. Singh
4. Prof. Sunita Singh
5. Dr. Lipi Mukhopadhyay
6. Shri T.G. Negi
7. Shri Hauzel Haukhum
8. Prof. C. Lalkima
9. Prof. R.C. Sobti
10. Smt. Sushma Nath
11. Dr. Subas Pani

Item No.273.2 (a) Confirmation of the Minutes of the 272nd meeting of the Executive Council held on March 30, 2009.

The minutes, as circulated, were confirmed.

(b) Action taken on the minutes referred to above.

The action taken report on the minutes referred to above was confirmed with the following observations:

Implementation of the Sixth Pay Commission's Recommendations

The Director informed the Council about the sanctioning of 100% financial support by the Govt. of India for implementation of the Sixth Pay Commission's recommendations to the IIPA employees subject to certain conditions. The Council expressed its gratitude to the Ministry of Personnel and Ministry of Finance for the same and asked the Director to monitor progress on meeting these conditions. The Council was informed that the arrears will be sanctioned by the GoI in the first supplementary budget. As regard pensions, a proposal has been sent to the GoI for sanctioning an additional *corpus* of Rs.32 crore.

The Jt. Secretary (Training) mentioned that there was some delay in issue of the sanction as there were lot of consultations with internal finance and the Dept. of Expenditure. The conditions imposed will help IIPA in the long run in strengthening its base and expanding its activities. As regards additional funds for the pension

corpus, the same is being examined and will be forwarded to the Dept. of Expenditure next week. The arrears of pay will be hopefully released at the R.E. stage. The Chairman and the Executive Council thanked the J.S. (Training) for the Department's support.

The Chairman, Standing Committee emphasized that since during the first five years the GoI will provide 100% financial support and thereafter 20% is to be generated by the IIPA, necessary measures may be initiated right now.

A member enquired that when Government initially sanctioned a *corpus* of Rs.5.50 crore in 1998 to meet all the future liabilities, how is it that the additional requirement has grown to Rs.32.33 crore. The Chairman mentioned that the Actuary's report and the necessary details be put up in file. The members be informed of the position in the next meeting of E.C. by the Director.

Item No.268.16 (iii) Non-handing over charge to the new office bearers of the West Bengal Regional Branch.

The Council noted the tour report of the Chairman, Standing Committee and the Director regarding discussions held with the State Government officials and Branch members at Kolkata, as well as the recommendation of the Standing Committee that irrespective of whether an amicable settlement between both the groups is reached or not the elections of the West Bengal Regional Branch should be held by the end of November, 2009.

Shri Suryya Ray expressed his concern regarding the methodology being adopted and mentioned that the matter should be dealt with as per the byelaws of the West Bengal Regional Branch. He was requested to communicate his views in writing, which would be further examined in IIPA.

The Chairman mentioned that we are looking into two aspects - the standing and status of the IIPA, and the dignity of the Regional Branch and its office bearers elected by the members. The Chairman mentioned that we were doing all that is possible in an amicable manner without giving up our position. He further mentioned that to look into various matters of the Branches including the harmonization of byelaws of the Regional Branches with that of the IIPA as

suggested by the Standing Committee, the committee under the Chairmanship of Shri T.N. Dhar will be constituted shortly.

Item No.268.16 (ix) Declaring IIPA an Institute of National Importance

The Chairman mentioned that the Director had informed him that, after consulting the Hon. Treasurer and the Chairman, Standing Committee, he discussed the matter with the Law Secretary, who had suggested the name of Shri K.D. Singh, former Secretary, Dept. of Legislative Affairs, to help prepare a draft bill for getting declaring IIPA an Institute of National Importance. The Council will be apprised of the progress from time to time of the status of the bill and members kept informed. The Chairman reminded the members of the assurance given to the General Body while he managed to get authorization from the General Body that we may proceed to see and to have either of the two possibilities viz. deemed university status or institute of national importance can be realized. The Chairman added that the spirit of the mandate of the founders has to be kept in view while drafting the bill.

Item No.273.5 Recommendations of the Screening Committee regarding admission of new members.

It was mentioned that the form prescribed may be rationalized in consultation with the Chairman, Screening Committee and the Chairman, Standing Committee.

Item No.273.6 (iv) Recovery of investment with the U.P. State Coop. Spinning Mills Federation Ltd.

The Director informed the house that he had met the concerned Principal Secretary at Lucknow recently and the latter indicated that an out of court settlement could be considered. Shri T.N. Dhar mentioned that he is also following up the matter and met the Chief Secretary, Govt. of Uttar Pradesh in this regard.

Pending payment – Projects

The Director mentioned that Prof. Anil C. Ittyerah is pursuing the matter with the sponsoring Ministry for release of the necessary grant for the project and will be submitting a status note.

Item No.274.3 Draft Annual Report for 2008-2009.

The Chairman thanked the committee members for their contribution in editing the Report. The Chairman, Standing Committee apprised the Council about the recommendations of the Standing Committee for approval of the Report which has been edited by a committee of four members of the Executive Council itself who have gone through the Report thoroughly and added that, if any member has any suggestion, he may send it to the Director within two weeks.

Some suggestions were made about incorporating certain aspects in the Report viz. SWOT analysis, thrust/priority areas viz. training, research or consultancy, and the need for revisiting IIPA's mandate as the Institute is over five decades old. After detailed discussion, it was mentioned that every area is important; initially IIPA was a unique training Institute in the area of Public Administration in the country, but research and consultancy assumed importance later which help raise resources and provide practical and empirical inputs in training. As regards conducting a review of the Institute, there have been number of committees which have gone into the affairs of the IIPA like the Alagh Committee, Nath Committee, ACORD etc.

A suggestion was also made for the documentation of IIPA's activities/affairs since its inception and placing the same at one place like the library and the services of the visiting faculties could be availed without any expenditure including TA/DA. The Chairman indicated such services are being availed of as and when required.

The Executive Council recommended adoption of the Annual Report 2008-09 by the General Body, as recommended by the Standing Committee. Any suggestions for modification may be sent within 15 days.

Item No.274.4 Balance-sheet and Audited Statement of Accounts for 2008-2009 together with the Report of the Chartered Accountants.

The Chairman, Standing Committee apprised the Council about the financial position of the Institute and the increase in revenue earnings through various sources. The Director apprised the house about renovation works in the main building and hostel, and raising road levels. The need was expressed for the

continuous flow of Plan Funds and for IIPA to raise more resources. The JS (Trg.) was requested to consider an increase in the maintenance grant as the same has been reduced as compared to last year and, since IIPA will be recruiting new faculty, office/residential space for them would have to be created. The Director mentioned that efforts would be made to break even this year.

A member mentioned that we should request a one time grant for the infrastructural development of the Institute, rather than annual developmental grants.

The JS (Trg.) mentioned that it might be possible to get an additional plan grant for the IIPA once the funds are properly utilized: renewal of training programmes, recruitment of faculty and faculty development should be also accorded priority. The Director mentioned that the work is being done through CPWD as deposit works. The JS (Trg.) further mentioned that there are plenty of academic projects which IIPA can undertake. The IIPA has done very good work for the Mizoram Government and needs more faculty for taking up programmes for other State Governments, particularly in the North-East. The Chairman mentioned that, even before the joining of new faculty, we should be able to take up additional programmes by redeployment and leveraging guest faculty.

With these observations, the Executive Council recommended the Balance-sheet and Audited Statement of Accounts for 2008-09 together with the Report of the Chartered Accountants, for adoption by the General Body.

Item No.274.5 Report of the Sub-Committee constituted by the Chairman, Standing Committee for revision of the Hostel tariff and other tariffs.

The Council approved the recommendation of the Standing Committee with regard to the tariff/allotment of six newly created deluxe rooms with immediate effect, and the rest of the recommendations of the committee w.e.f. 1.1.2010.

Item No.274.6 Removal of members in arrears for more than two years (2007 & 2008) from the roll of membership of the Institute under Rule 35(1).

The Council approved the recommendation of the Standing Committee, that a further one month's notice may again be given to the defaulting members to deposit the necessary subscription, failing which their membership will stand terminated.

Item No.274.7 Draft office remarks on suggestions/observations made by members in the AGM held on 26 September, 2008.

The Executive Council accepted the office remarks on the suggestions/observations made by the members in the AGM held on September 26, 2008, duly vetted by the Editing Group, as recommended by the Standing Committee.

Item No.274.8 A brief report on the important activities of the Institute during July–August, 2009 relating to:

- (a) Training Programmes,
- (b) The Status of Research & Consultancy Projects,
- (c) Conferences/Seminars,
- (d) Visitors to the Institute.

The Executive Council noted the recommendations of the Standing Committee and suggested that, in the next Standing Committee meeting, the Director may arrange a brief presentation of 5-10 minutes each by 2-3 faculty members about their research/consultancy projects completed, before the Standing Committee.

Item No.274.9 Items to Report:

- (i) **Approval of probation period/absorption of Prof. K.K. Pandey and Dr. Usha Mujoo Munshi, Librarian.**

Noted.

- (ii) **Visits abroad of Faculty.**

Noted.

- (iii) **Air Travel on official account – both domestic and international.**

Noted.

- (iv) **Proposal for formation of an IIPA Regional Branch for Jharkhand State and Election thereto.**

Noted.

Item No.274.10 Any other business with the permission of the Chairman.

- (i) **Implementation of the Sixth Pay Commission's recommendations and sanction of funds by the GoI to meet the additional financial implications of that and of the revised UGC pay scales.**

The item was taken under the action taken report.

- (ii) **Enhancement in the age of superannuation of IIPA's Faculty from 62 to 65 years.**

The Executive Council approved the recommendation of the Standing Committee for enhancement in the age of superannuation of IIPA's faculty from 62 to 65 years to bring it in conformity with the revised policy of the University Grants Commission. A suggestion was made that there should be a screening process, and the Chairman indicated that he will look into it as to how the excellence and the need to avoid any delay in considering such cases can be ensured. Some members stressed the need for keeping record of work by the faculty yearwise to facilitate matters. Thus IIPA can build its archives also.

It was also decided that the qualifications of the Faculty members, in future recruitments, shall be invariably the same as prescribed for corresponding posts in the UGC to avoid confusion.

A suggestion was made that since, as per the GoI direction, members are required to travel through Air India/Indian Airlines which sometimes is costlier. As such, the schedule of the meetings of the Committees to be held at the time of the AGM in October, 2009 may be fixed and intimated to the members at an early date facilitate booking tickets at a cheaper rate. The Chairman mentioned that this will be done within a week.

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

T. N. Chaturvedi
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CHAIRMAN

B. S. Baswan
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DIRECTOR &
MEMBER-SECRETARY