

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

**Minutes of the 275th meeting of the Executive Council held on
October 29, 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.	Shri S. Ramanathan		
4.	Dr. V. Shanmugasundaram		
5.	Prof. S.P. Verma		
6.	Prof. R.V. Dhanapalan		
7.	Dr. S.L. Goel		
8.	Shri B.V. Krishna Kumar		
9.	Prof. S.N. Mishra		
10.	Shri N.S. Periyaswamy		
11.	Dr. A. Eswara Reddi		
12.	Prof. (Mrs.) S. Saroja		
13.	Shri P.R. Shampath		
14.	Prof. N.P. Singh		
15.	Prof. Sunita Singh		
16.	Dr. K.N. Srivastava		
17.	Dr. Har Swarup		
18.	Shri T.N. Dhar		
19.	Shri M.C. Gupta		
20.	Shri K.K. Sethi		
21.	Shri Suryya Ray		
22.	Prof. Joseph K. Alexander		
23.	Prof. J. Guha Roy	}	
24.	Prof. (Mrs.) Rajesh Singh	}	
25.	Dr. Lipi Mukhopadhyay	}	Faculty Representatives
26.	Shri B.S. Baswan	-	Director & Member-Secretary

Shri Ajay Sawhney, Jt. Secretary, DoPT on behalf of the Secretary, Personnel and Shri J.S. Chadha, Asstt. Financial Adviser on behalf of the Secretary, Expenditure 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.

Item No.275.1 Grant of leave of absence to Members.

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

1. Dr. K. Malaisamy

2. Dr. R. Balasubramanian
3. Dr. (Mrs) N. Rajalakshmi
4. Dr. Brij Mohan Sharma
5. Dr. (Mrs.) Aruna Sivakami
6. Shri T.G. Negi
7. Shri Hauzel Haukhum
8. Prof. C. Lalkima
9. Prof. R.C. Sobti
10. Mrs. Sudha Pillai

The Chairman welcomed the members, especially Dr.(Mrs) Lipi Mukhopadhyay who attended the meeting for the first time. The Chairman apprised the Council about a letter from Dr. V. Shanmugasundaram regarding the preparation of a panel of experts from the E.C./retired academics in different disciplines who can give their services to IIPA without any payment of TA/DA. The Chairman indicated that broad panels could be prepared on different topics.

Item No.275.2 (a) Confirmation of the Minutes of the 274th meeting of the Executive Council held on September 11, 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:

Proposal for an additional *corpus* from the Govt. of India for pensions.

The Director mentioned that a meeting is being held with the Actuary in the first week of November, 2009 to understand and review the report submitted by him. Thereafter the matter will be discussed with the DoPT. The report will be made available to the interested members. The JS (Trg.) mentioned that their Integrated Finance Division had sought certain details including the principle for Government's contribution and IIPA's own contribution to the *corpus*.

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

The Council was apprised about the recommendations of the Standing Committee for reminding the West Bengal Regional Branch to held the elections by the end of November, 2009 and to remind the State Government and the Branch to

hand over charge of the files and submit the necessary utilization certificates, respectively.

Shri Suryya Ray informed the House that the matter will be resolved and elections will be held by the end of November, 2009. The Chairman indicated that one Observer will also be deputed by the Headquarters.

As regards constitution of the Dhar Committee, the Chairman said he will be discussing the matter with Shri T.N Dhar.

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

The Chairman informed the House that the draft bill prepared by Shri K.D. Singh has some implications and requires detailed discussion. A detailed note, justifying the proposal and emphasizing IIPA's unique role, would have to be drawn up.

The JS (Trg.) mentioned that he had discussed the matter with Secretary, Personnel. For justifying IIPA's claim to become an Institute of National Importance, a detailed exercise has to undertaken, internally, by the IIPA.

The Chairman mentioned that, as he earlier suggested, copies of similar Acts should be collected (some were) and when a draft is finalized, a special brainstorming meeting of the Executive Council for a day or two can be organized. Thereafter the proposal will be discussed at a Special General Body Meeting convened for this purpose.

Item No.274.10 (ii) Enhancement in the age of superannuation of IIPA's Faculty from 62 to 65 years.

The Council noted the recommendations of the Standing Committee with reference to JS (Trg.)'s letter dated 22.10.2009 and the EC's decision regarding establishment of a suitable mechanism to be followed; a screening process, as deemed fair and proper, is to be finalised. In the cases of faculty members who are shortly to retire, the recommendation on their performance should be sent by the Director to the Chairman, Standing Committee and the Chairman, pending the

establishment of a suitable mechanism. An interim reply may be sent to the DoPT with reference to their letter mentioned by Shri Ajay Sawhney.

Redressal of Grievances Committee

A point was raised that the meeting of the 'Redressal of Grievances Committee' should have been held prior to the E.C. meeting, so that its recommendations could have been placed before the E.C. The Chairman mentioned that since the Chairman, Standing Committee, Chairman of the Committee was out of station, the meeting could not be held earlier this time. Some members mentioned that a few faculty/staff members have filed cases in Courts and such matters should also be sorted out within the organization. Chairman, Standing Committee mentioned that ^{the} Grievances Committee could look into such cases if it is so decided and mandated.

A suggestion was made that there can be ^{an} alternative system, ^{an} of arbitration procedure to minimize the expenditure on litigation, for which a panel of arbitrators could be prepared. It was also mentioned that the Grievances Committee should meet regularly. The Chairman felt that a climate should be created so that the grievances should not arise and there should be a fixed time frame to sort out these. Thereafter, the matter should go to the Grievances Committee.

Item No.275.3 Revised Budget Estimates for 2009-2010 and Budget Estimates for 2010-2011.

The Executive Council approved the Revised Budget Estimates for 2008-09 and Budget Estimates for 2009-10, as recommended by the Standing Committee.

Item No.275.4 Audit Fees for 2009-2010 to be paid to the Auditors to be appointed at the Annual General Body Meeting to be held on October 30, 2009.

The Executive Council approved the recommendation of the Standing Committee regarding payment of audit fees of Rs.70,000/- against the existing Rs.60,000/- (for all accounts of the Institute) to the Auditors for the year 2009-10 to be appointed at the Annual General Body Meeting to be held on 30 October, 2009.

Item No.275.5 Resolutions received from members for consideration at the Annual General Body Meeting.

The resolutions received from the following members under Rule 24 were considered by the Executive Council as recommended by the Standing Committee, for consideration by the Chairman in the AGM for permission to raise their points:

1. Shri P.L. Banga
2. Dr. Bharat Rai
3. Prof. R.N. Thakur
4. Dr. P. Lakshminarayanan

Besides, as already intimated to Shri Jai Ram Tiwari, he may also be allowed by the Chairman to raise his points since his proposal for amendments were not found fit for convening a Special General Body Meeting as required under the Rule 21 read with Rule 36(1) of the Memorandum of Association & Rules of the Institute.

The Chairman advised the EC members to be ready with their replies with regard to resolutions/observations that may be made by the members.

Item No.275.6 Report of the Committee of Judges for the Award of Prizes in the Annual Essay Prize Competition, 2009.

The Executive Council approved the recommendation made by the Standing Committee for the award of the Annual Essay Prizes for the year 2009:

For English Essays

First Prize of Rs.5,000/- to:	Ms. Kerishma Malik, Delhi for her essay "The Importance of Agriculture in Sustainable Economic Growth in India"
Second Prize of Rs.3,000/- to:	Ms. Namita Gupta, Panchkula (Haryana) for her essay "Domestic Violence in India: Causes, Consequences and Remedies"
Third Prize of Rs.2,000/- to:	Dr. Inderjeet Singh Sodhi, Jaipur for his essay "Globalization and Economic Recession: The Indian Context"

For Hindi Essays

First Prize of Rs.5,000/- to:	Shri Amit Kumar, Ghazlabad for his essay "भारत में संपीठणीय आर्थिक विकास में कृषि"
Second Prize of Rs.3,000/- to:	Ms. Arshi Qureshi, Bhopal for her essay "वैश्वीकरण तथा आर्थिक मंदी : भारतीय संदर्भ"
Third Prize of Rs.2,000/- to:	Shri Sunil Kumar, Sirsa (Haryana) for his essay "भारत में धरैलू हिसा : कारण, परिणाम तथा उपचार"

Item No.275.7 Report of the Experts on Case Studies for Award of Prizes in the Annual Case Study Award Competition, 2009.

The Executive Council, on the recommendation of the Standing Committee, adopted the report of the Experts who evaluated the entries received for Case Study Award Competition 2009 as under:

First Prize of Rs.10,000/-	"Making Education a Reality: An Initiative by MVF" by Shri T. Bharat Ratna
Second Prize of Rs.6,000/-	"Decision Making Study of National Rural Employment Gurantee in Kancheepuram District" by Dr. K. Usha
Third Prize of Rs.4,000/-	"Community led Government Initiative to Scale up Sanitation coverage in Rural Areas of Haryana: An Empirical Study" by Dr. Raj Kumar Siwach

Item No.275.8 A brief report on the important activities of the Institute during September-October, 2009 relating to:

- Training Programmes
- Status of Research & Consultancy Projects
- Seminars/Conferences/Lectures
- Visitors to the Institute

Noted.

Item No.275.9 Items to Report:

- Probation period.

Noted.

- Visits abroad of the Faculty and Librarian.

While noting the above item relating to the visit of Dr.(Mrs) Usha Mujoo Munshi, Librarian to France, the Chairman mentioned that although he had

permitted her twice for similar visits, one immediately after her joining last year and another one this year, he had made certain observations about faculty not being away for long periods soon after they join.

Item No.275.10 Any other business with permission of the Chairman.

(i) Honouring of Members for their distinguished services to the IIPA and for the cause of Public Administration.

The Executive Council approved the names announced by the Chairman, as per the recommendations of the committee. The following members are to be honoured for their distinguished services, during the AGM to be held on 30 October, 2009:

1. Shri T.R. Satish Chandran (Posthumously)
2. Prof. (Mrs.) S. Saroja
3. Prof. O.P. Dwivedi
4. Prof. Mohit Bhattacharya
5. Prof. D.P. Singh
6. Shri N.K Panda
7. Shri Jatin Hazarika
8. Prof. Kuldeep Mathur

(ii) Proposal for formation of IIPA Jharkhand Regional Branch at Ranchi.

The Executive Council approved the following recommendations made by the Standing Committee:

- (a) Formation of the IIPA Jharkhand Regional Branch at Ranchi and
- (b) The Ranchi Local Branch functioning at Ranchi shall cease to exist and its receipts/liabilities shall be transferable to the newly created Regional Branch of the Institute for Jharkhand State.

(iii) Library stock verification: writing off of missing books.

The Executive Council approved the recommendations of the Standing Committee for the writing off the loss of 457 books over a period of 6 years amounting to Rs.2,96,129.52 under the permissible limits as per GFR. It agreed with the recommendation of the Committee that the Library should undertake the periodical verification of books regularly and there should be accountability for the loss of valuable books, which need to be kept in covered shelves, duly locked.

The Chairman added that he had gone through the entire list of the books being written off and found that there was a pattern of acquiring three copies of particular books, which have been lost including some very costly reference books like, the 'Economic History of India', by Dharma Kumar published by the Cambridge Press etc. Efforts should be made to locate and replace such books. He also mentioned that 3-4 copies of important issues of the IJPA should be kept in the Library as well in the Publication Section.

The JS (Trg.) mentioned that the digitization of books is now cost effective by using scanners, which can be done internally, and these can be made available on the website, for reference purposes.

(iv) Shri T.N. Chaturvedi Award for the best article in the IJPA.

The Executive Council approved the recommendations of the Standing Committee for the Second T.N. Chaturvedi Award for the best article in the IJPA, as recommended by the Editorial Board for selection of the following article:

Capacity Building for Rajasthan's Panchayat Representatives and Functionaries: What the Training Effort should Cover by Dr. Rakesh Hooja, IAS, published in the July-Sept. 2008 issue of the Journal.

In view of its high academic quality, the committee decided to specially commend one more article: *Public Private Partnership and e-Governance: An Indian Experience* by Prof. Y. Pardhasaradhi and Prof. Ravinder Kaur of Osmania University.

(v) Recommendations of the Screening Committee meeting held on 28 October, 2009.

The Chairman, Screening Committee informed the Council that the Chairman, Standing Committee, on his invitation, attended the Screening Committee to discuss the issue of simplification of the membership application form, as advised by the Executive Council. The revised form has been circulated to all the members, and any suggestion will be welcomed.

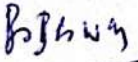
The Executive Council approved the recommendations made by the Screening Committee for the admission of new members.

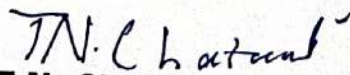
(vi) **Special resolution submitted by seven E.C. members for constitution of a sub-committee to monitor the implementation of the project proposal titled, "Action Research on the Contribution of Values in Rural Development".**

The Chairman mentioned that it will be discussed later on, as the proposal has come at a very short notice.

Dr. Lipi Mukhopadhyay thanked the Chairman and the Council for her welcome to the Council and informed the House about the sad demise of her husband Shri Durgadas Mukhopadhyay who was also a Life member of the IIPA. It was also brought to the notice of the Executive Council that some other members of the IIPA had also expired. The Chairman and the Council expressed their heartfelt condolences and observed a minute's silence as mark of respect to the departed souls who passed away. The Condolence resolutions should be sent to Dr.(Mrs.) Lipi Mukhopadhyay and others.

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


(B.S. BASWAN)
DIRECTOR &
MEMBER-SECRETARY


(T.N. CHATURVEDI)
CHAIRMAN