

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

Minutes of the 289th meeting of the Executive Council held on
April 3, 2013 at 4.00 p.m. in the Conference Hall of the Institute

PRESENT

1. Shri T.N. Chaturvedi - Chairman
2. Prof. R.V. Dhanapalan
3. Shri B.V. Krishna Kumar
4. Prof. S.N. Mishra
5. Prof. S.L. Goel
6. Dr. Parvinder Kaushal
7. Shri M. Krishnan
8. Shri Subodh Kumar
9. Dr. K. Malaisamy
10. Justice E. Padmanabhan
11. Dr. A.V. Narsimha Reddy
12. Shri P.R. Shampath
13. Prof. V. Shanmugasundaram
14. Prof. N.P. Singh
15. Dr. Navanit Sinha
16. Dr. K.N. Srivastava
17. Shri V. Veerabadran
18. Dr. V.N. Vishwanathan
19. Shri Shekhar Dutt
20. Shri Alok Kumar, Jt. Secretary (Trg.) - Representing Secretary, Personnel
21. Dr.(Ms.) Prafulla Kerketta, Jt. Secretary (Fin/Pers), M.H.A. - Representing Secretary,
Expenditure
22. Shri E. Dasarathan, Adviser - Representing Secretary, Planning Commission
23. Shri M.C. Gupta (Chairman, Haryana Regional Branch)
24. Dr. A.K. Bhan (Chairman, Jammu & Kashmir Regional Branch)
25. Shri S. Ramanathan (Chairman, Karnataka Regional Branch)
26. Shri K.K. Sethi (Chairman, Madhya Pradesh Regional Branch)
27. Shri Suryya Ray (Chairman, West Bengal Regional Branch)
28. Prof. Srinibas Pathi (Vice Chairman, Mizoram Regional Branch)
29. Prof. J. Guha Roy (Chairman, Delhi Regional Branch)
30. Prof. Rakesh Gupta
31. Prof. Sushma Yadav
32. Dr. V.N. Alok
33. Dr. T. Chatterjee

} Faculty Representatives

- Director & Member-Secretary

Dr. C. Giri, Registrar, Dr. B.D. Singh, Dy. Registrar (AS) and Shri Amitabh Ranjan, Dy. Registrar (Finance) were also present.

At the outset the Executive Council condoled the sad demise of Shri B.C. Mathur, former Director IIPA, former Hony. Treasurer and former Executive Council Member and observed a minute's silence as a mark of respect to the departed soul.

Welcoming all members, the Chairman introduced Shri Shekhar Dutt, Hon'ble Governor of Chhattisgarh who was nominated as eminent person on the Executive Council and extended warm welcome to him. The Chairman also informed that Prof. Arun K. Grover, Vice Chancellor of Panjab University was also nominated on the Executive Council in the same category who could not attend the meeting due to his other assignments. He also informed the Executive Council that Dr. T. Chatterjee had assumed the charge as Director on 31st March, 2013 (A/N) and introduced him to the members. All new members and the Director Dr. Chatterjee were warmly welcomed. Chairman expressed appreciations with thanks for the services of the outgoing Director Shri U.C. Agarwal. Thereafter the agenda items were taken up.

Item No.289.1 Grant of leave of absence to Members.

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

1. Prof. (Mrs.) N. Rajalakshmi
2. Prof. Brij Mohan Sharma
3. Dr. (Capt) D.V.P. Raja
4. Dr. Sunita Roy
5. Prof. Arun Kumar Grover

Item No.289.2(a) Confirmation of the Minutes of last meetings of the Executive Council:

- (i) **Minutes of the 287th meeting of the Executive Council held on October 11, 2012.**

The minutes as circulated, were confirmed.

- (ii) **Minutes of the 288th meeting of the Executive Council held on October 12, 2012.**

A few members made observations that some portions of the said meeting were not properly recorded and expressed their reservations. However during deliberations, the Chairman mentioned that the minutes will be suitably reviewed by him with regard objected portion since he always requested to avoid needless controversy. On a query whether it was proper that Additional Secretary to Government of India to exercise the franchise in the elections held on 12th October 2012, the Chairman quoting the Business rules of Tamil Nadu State Government and mentioning about similar rules elsewhere, clarified that Secretary means and includes Secretary, Additional Secretary, Joint Secretary and Dy. Secretary and similar position exists elsewhere and in the Government of India.

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

The action taken report was approved.

Item No.289.3 (i) Subjects for (a) Annual Essay Prize Competition 2012, (b) Members' Annual Conference 2012, (c) Special issue of IJPA (July/August 2012) and (d) Special issue of Life Publications (July/Aug. 2012).

The Executive Council approved the recommendations of the Standing Committee for the topics of (a) Annual Essay Prize Competition 2012, (b) Members' Annual Conference 2012, (c) Special issue of the IJPA and (d) Special issue of Life Publications can be decided by the Director in consultation with Chairman, Standing Committee and Chairman, IJPA.

(ii) Appointment of Judges for the Annual Essay Competition, 2012.

The Executive Council decided that as was done in previous years, the names of judges may be finalized by the Director in consultation with the Chairman, Standing Committee and Chairman, IJPA.

Item No.289.4 Dates for the Annual General Body Meeting and Members' Annual Conference.

The Executive Council approved the recommendation of the Standing Committee, that the Annual General Body Meeting may be convened either on 18 or on 25 October, 2012, subject to the convenience and approval of the President of the Institute. The Members' annual Conference may be held on the subsequent day.

Item No.289.5 Draft Agenda for the Annual General Body Meeting.

The Executive Council approved the Draft Agenda of the Annual General Body Meeting as per the agenda notes in accordance with Rule 19 of the Memorandum of Association & Rules of IJPA.

Item No.289.6 A brief report on the important activities of the Institute during October, 2012 – March, 2013 relating to:

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

Noted. However, it was mentioned that as far as possible efforts may be made to present briefly the research highlights/summary of the selected one or two research projects completed by the faculty in the Executive Council meeting.

Item No. 389.7 Recommendations of the Searching Committee for admission of new members.

The Executive Council took note of the recommendations of the Searching Committee and approved the same.

Item No. 389.8 Items to Report:

(i) **Appointment of Director, IIPA.**

Noted.

(ii) **Summary of APTPA Review Committee Report (April 2012).**

Noted. The Chairman announced that henceforth APTPA programme will be of 44 weeks instead of earlier 40 weeks. The Chairman also assured the representatives from DoPT, Shri Alek Kumar, Jr. Secretary (Trg.) that he had personally gone through the special audit report for 18th APTPA and necessary measures will be taken by the IIPA to remove the objections and encourage austerity measures. He also mentioned that the idea of two APTPA Directors was conceived so to maintain linkage between two programmes so that the one experienced Programme Director will be there alongside one new Programme Director to guide the programme successfully.

A member raised the issue that 44 weeks programme might be inconvenient as the interim period between two programmes would not be sufficient. To that, the Chairman responded that the programme was done for 44 weeks on the suggestion of the faculty itself and in consultation with DoPT, so time constraints if any and the question of burden on faculty had been factored in consideration by a joint meeting of the faculty, Director and representatives of the sponsoring Ministry.

The Chairman also welcomed Prof. Srinibas Pathi, Vice-Chairman of Museum Regional Branch and thanked him for attending the E.C. meeting and he expressed he would strengthen regional branch.

(iii) **Foreign visits of Faculty.**

Noted.

(iv) **Appointment of Electrical Supervisor.**

Noted.

(3) Revision of charges for hiring of lecture halls, conference hall and other infrastructure facilities.

Noted.

(4) Prof. V.K. Sharma designated as Senior Professor w.e.f. 01.01.2012 and after superannuation appointed as Consultant in IIPA.

Noted.

(5) Extension of date of retirement of Prof. Anil C. Bhatnagar.

Noted.

(6) Awarding of IIPA Caterer and Hostel Mess contract to M/s Food Palace w.e.f. 1.3.2013.

Noted. The Chairman, IIPA mentioned that there were various complaints against the mess contractor, IRCTC as the then Chairman, Standing Committee (IRCTC) mentioned to him about the bad quality of food. And hence with the approval of the Standing Committee a new mess contractor was appointed and has provided satisfactory services so far. However, it was suggested that strict monitoring of the services provided by the Caterer may have to be made to maintain the quality.

(7) Two additional increments to Mr. Anilash Ranjan D. Registrar, IIPA.

Noted.

(8) Grant of permission to Dr. (Mrs.) Charita Malhotra, Associate Professor to act as National ICT Consultant under AIB sponsored SAGE Research and Training Network Project under sub-contract of Carls Inc. of Canada for an immediate duration of 8 months until December, 2014.

Noted.

(9) Receipt of information from the DoT regarding approval of 20 Crores in the Fund of which Rs.2 crore is for implementation of revised pension scheme.

Noted.

(10) Appointment of Vigil Power Committee for looking into Grievance Complaints.

Noted.

Item No.289.9 Any other business with permission of the Chairman.

- (i) Consideration of the Minutes of Lok Prashasan Editorial Board meeting held on 24.2013.

Noted. The Chairman, Lok Prashasan Editorial Board informed that the Lok Prashasan Editorial Board had recommended four topics for special issue of Lok Prashasan. Out of the four topics, one was *...* It was also informed that if this topic is chosen for special issue, the funds for publication will be made available from Dr. Ambedkar Foundation.

- (ii) Recommendations of the Finance & Economy Committee meeting held on 14.2013.

The Executive Council noted the recommendations of the Standing Committee and various suggestions made by the Finance & Economy Committee as circulated and appreciated the suggestions made by the members.

While discussing these suggestions, members of the Executive Council emphasized on necessity to bridge the likely deficit in the financial year 2012-13 by earmarking a percentage of research/training fees received by IIPA for meeting administrative expenses as well as infrastructure development. In this regard, a suggestion was made by a member that in the year of Diamond Jubilee the Institute should make an appeal for contribution to the tune of Rs.1 crore from each of the State Governments. The Chairman, Karnataka Regional Branch assured that he would get Rs.1 crore from Karnataka Government to IIPA and the Chairman thanked him for the initiative. The Chairman requested the Branches to send their best publications for consideration for inclusion in the volume to be published by IIPA on the occasion Diamond Jubilee celebrations. He also made the special mention of Orissa Regional Branch which has published a good journal.

The Chairman also appreciatively informed that Dr. V. Shanmugasundaram has arranged to get a contribution of Rs.1 lakh for organizing the seminar or lecture in memory of Dr. Sir A.L. Mudaliar either at Delhi or Chennai. The office will work out the details and estimates regarding this.

Shri Alok Kumar, Jr. Secretary (Tg.) mentioned that apart from the plan grant and infrastructure grant, the DoPT also sponsored the APPPA programme. He also stated that normally, for the sponsorship of similar programmes of the DoPT, a course fee is paid

depending on the number of participants. APPPA programme is pretty old, whatever cost is incurred is reimbursed by the Government. He recognised that there was a cash flow problem for IIPA.

The Chairman explained in detail about the fact that by and large IIPA mainly served the needs of the Government. This was the principal objective of the then Prime Minister Pt. Jawaharlal Nehru in setting up the Institute. He also recognised that the needs of Government were changing and stress was now more on the social sector which was itself a very wide area. He also emphasised that by PPP model, IIPA could earn some amount and he did not foresee any problem from Government. One member suggested that a project grant might be worked out and the Government requested for an APPPA block in the campus. As the old building setup in the Yamuna bed had seepage problem and needed thorough restructuring, he expressed the Government would appreciate the urgency of our problem.

(iii) **Consideration of the Minutes of Editorial Board (IIPA) meeting held on 2.4.2013.**

Noted.

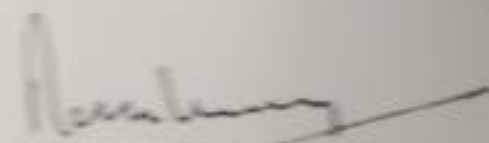
(iv) The Hon'ble Governor of Chhattisgarh Shri Shekhar Dutt nominated as eminent member on the E.C., thanked the Council for the warm welcome extended to him. He recalled his old association with IIPA when he made extensive use of the Library before entering into civil services and his experience with IIPA has been very satisfying and rewarding. He felt that IIPA is only one Institute of its kind in the country. While referring to the objectives set out in the Memorandum of Association of IIPA, he felt that there is lot of scope which IIPA can further explore to expand its activities. He stressed the need for IIPA to review its activities in such a manner as to help youth entering into administration. IIPA could help all those who either are in Administrative Services or in State municipal services to make them better professionals. He stressed that the first four objectives of the MoA dealt with all the matters pertaining to above and the rest are all about the finances/house keeping etc. He told that being the Chancellor of some Universities, he was aware of the fact that Universities needed grants/funds for smooth functioning. IIPA being a premier training/research Institute also needed grants which might be provided to it to fulfill its objectives more effectively.


The Chairman stressed that our faculty was of very high caliber and many a time over the years nominated to various Committees/Commissions. But for sponsoring training programmes etc. there has been a lukewarm response from the State Governments in recent

year. He again stressed that social sector was a new area where much could be done, but it is left to Govt how much they could support and motivate concerned Ministries to make use of our services. He also observed and requested the Government representatives that as compared to other similar organisations the IPAs should not be discriminated against in respect of cost of sponsored programmes by some sponsoring Ministries.

Before the meeting ended the Chairman announced that he had given necessary thought in regard to the portion in the minutes of 200th E.C. meeting dated 12.10.2012 at page no.10 & 11 and it stands deleted from the record.

Chairman expressed his thanks to members for their cooperation. The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the Chair.


(T. CHATTERJEE)
DIRECTOR &
MEMBER-SECRETARY


(T.N. CHATURVEDI)
CHAIRMAN