



**(a) Annual Essay Prize Competition 2018**

During discussion on Annual Essay Prize Competition 2018, Shri S.S. Kshatriya, Chairman, Maharashtra Regional Branch elaborated the topic of Right to Services – Comparative Study of State Laws and need for a Parliamentary Enactment proposed by Maharashtra Regional Branch. He informed that it is a new concept in Maharashtra and the State Government is taking healthy action regarding right to services. The Chairman opined that it is a good idea and quite a few States also did some work on this subject. As Such, this is a very relevant topic and the E.C. should approve it.

After deliberations, the E.C. approved the following three topics for Annual Essay Prize Competition 2018:

- (i) Right to Public Services provided by the State Government – Comparative Study of State Laws and need for a Parliamentary Enactment
- (ii) NPA in Banks Affecting the Development of India
- (iii) Urban Planning in India: Developing an Integrated Approach

**(b) Members' Annual Conference 2018**

Role of Digital Technology in Governance

**(c) Special Issue of IJPA (July-September, 2018)**

The Chairman informed the members that M/s Sage Publications require the topic well in advance and he deliberated with several topics as suggested by many Branches and others. There were some other good topics also but he felt that this topic was a very relevant topic and there should be a comparative study on this subject. A number of regulatory authorities are being constituted presently. So there is a need to look into the issues as to what will happen next, who will regulate these regulatory authorities as there has been a mushrooming of regulatory authorities presently. The Chairman informed the E.C. that he approved this topic in light of the above thinking. The E.C. concurred with the suggestion of the Chairman and ratified the topic “**Independent Regulatory Authorities in India: A Comparative Perspective**” for Special Issue of the IJPA (July-Sept. 2018).

**(d) Special Issue of Lok Prashashan (July-Dec., 2018)**

पर्यावरण, विकास और नियामकीय संस्थाओं की भूमिका

(ii) **Appointment of Judges for the Annual Essay Competition, 2018.**  
The Executive Council decided that as was done in previous years, the names of Judges may be finalised by the Director in consultation with the Chairman, IIPA.

**Item No.308.4**  
**Dates for the Annual General Body Meeting and Members' Annual Conference.**  
The Executive Council approved that the Annual General Body Meeting may be convened on the 12<sup>th</sup> or 26<sup>th</sup> October, 2018 or any other date convenient to the Hon'ble Vice President of India (President of IIPA) and the Chairman of the Institute. The Members' Annual Conference may be held on the day following the AGM.

**Item No.308.5**  
**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 IIPA.

The Chairman desired that action regarding Paul Appleby Awards may be initiated early to finalise appropriate names for conferring the award.

**Item No.308.6**  
**A brief report on the important activities of the Institute during October, 2017 - 16<sup>th</sup> February, 2018 relating to Training Programmes and Status of Research Projects.**

Noted.

The Director informed that IIPA is now doing 100 training programmes on an average every year. In the year 2017-18, the number of training programmes is expected to be 104. The number of ongoing research projects has also increased and we are conducting 33 research projects presently for different Ministries/Departments.

The Chairman opined that the reports should go timely, reflect the truth and be of high quality. Shri Shekhar Dutt said that it seems that the reports are mostly completed. To which the Director informed that reports are completed and sent to the respective Ministries/Departments but receivable funds are there. Ministries/Departments many a times, do not release the payments to IIPA on time. The Chairman desired that the Dy. Registrar (AS) should pursue the receivables and the pendencies should be cleared. Shri Shekhar Dutt opined that the reports of the research projects should be used for benefit of the citizens, with

the permission of the concerned Ministry. The Chairman conveyed that its entirely the prerogative of the Ministry. However, we have used the reports for case-studies in training in many cases where the Ministries have agreed.

**Item No.308.7 (i) Writing-off of the old records of documents loaned out to former Faculty/Directors/Staff etc. during 1950s onwards.**

**(ii) Library stock verification.**

The Executive Council approved the writing-off of old records as well as Library stock verification. The Chairman explained that we could not retrieve the books/documents as many of the former faculty/Directors are now no more contactable. However, the journals/magazines should not be issued by the Library to anyone. Periodic check should be done to minimize the losses. Shri Shekhar Dutt opined that some of the IIPA reports can be digitized to make them permanent. The Chairman desired that we should keep a copy of the research projects reports in the Library invariably as we are unable to locate the research reports/findings many a times when there is a need.

**Item No.308.8**

**Items to Report:**

**(i) Appointment of Director, Faculty and Staff.**

Noted.

The Chairman observed that appropriate action would be initiated in March 2018 to appoint the new Director giving us enough time to have him/her in place before the end of tenure of the present Director in November, 2018.

**(ii) Retirement of Staff.**

Noted.

**(iii) Re-employment of Faculty.**

Noted.

**(iv) Promotion of Staff.**

Noted.

**(v) Placement of staff in next higher pay band and grade pay.**

Noted.

(vi) **Foreign visit of Faculty.**

Noted.

**Item No.308.9**

**Any other business with permission of the Chairman.**

(i) **Admission of Associate/Student Members.**

The Executive Council approved the admission of 10 Associate/Student Members whose membership applications have been verified by the branches.

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

  
(T. CHATTERJEE)  
DIRECTOR &  
MEMBER-SECRETARY

  
(T.N. CHATURVEDI)  
CHAIRMAN