

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

Minutes of the 312th meeting of the Executive Council
held on 30th August, 2019 at 4.30 p.m.

PRESENT

1. Shri T.N. Chaturvedi - Chairman
 2. Shri Shekhar Dutt - Vice President
 3. Dr. C. Chandramouli, Secretary (Personnel), DoPT
 4. Prof. Swinder Singh, Representing Vice Chancellor, Panjab University
 5. Shri Neeraj Singhal, Director - Representing C.E.O., NITI Aayog
 6. Shri R.D. Talukdar, Dy. Secretary, Dept. of Exp. - Representing Secretary (Exp.)
 7. Shri Kulamani Deo, Vice Chairman, Odisha Regional Branch
 8. Dr. G. Radhakrishna Kurup - Hony. Secretary, Kerala Regional Branch
 9. Shri V.V. Pachkawade - Representing Chairman, Maharashtra Regional Branch
 10. Prof. K.K. Pandey - Faculty Representative
 11. Shri Surendra Nath Tripathi - Director & Member-Secretary
- Shri Amitabh Ranjan, Registrar, Shri Mithun Barua, Dy. Registrar (AS) and Shri O.P. Chawla, Dy. Registrar (F&A) were also present.

Two minute silence was observed to express grief and mourn the death of Smt. Sushma Swaraj, Former Union Minister of External Affairs and Shri Arun Jaitley, Former Union Minister of Finance, Government of India.

Item No.312.1 Grant of leave of absence to Members.

Prof. N. Lokendra Singh, Chairman, Manipur Regional Branch could not attend the meeting granted leave of absence.

Item No.312.2 (a) Confirmation of the Minutes of 311th meeting of the Executive Council held on 3rd May, 2019.

The minutes as circulated, were confirmed.

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

The action taken report was approved.

Regarding the AGM Meeting on 11th October 2019, Director informed that there is a slight possibility of change of date for the AGM due to foreign visit of Hon'ble Vice

President during that period and the date of 11th October 2019 will be confirmed soon by the VP Secretariat.

Director informed about the successful installation of the bronze statue of Mahatma Gandhi in the main entrance lobby of the institute on 1st July 2019 with complete contribution by the IIPA employees. Dr. C. Chandramouli Secretary, DoPT conveyed that it is a commendable work done by the IIPA employees and this appreciation needs to be recorded. The EC fully endorsed the views of the Secretary (P) and appreciated the work done by the IIPA employees.

Chairman informed that Director, IIPA has started a new Lecture Series on current and relevant issues and it is another work which needs to be appreciated. The Chairman informed that the first Lecture in this Series was on the impact of the revocation of Article 370 and Lt Gen (Retd) Syed Ata Hasnain delivered a very good lecture on the topic. Lt Gen (Retd) Hasnain beautifully encompassed the geo-political, historical, socio-economic and development aspects related to the decision of the government on J&K. Director added that the next lecture in the series is scheduled on the topic of National Education Policy and will be held on 6th September 2019. Chairman advised to hold discussion/sessions on new book releases, review of books which was earlier use to be conducted at IIPA.

Director informed that during the previous EC meeting held on 04 May 2019, Secretary, DoPT discussed about study leave to Government Officers for research work at IIPA. In this regard, Director conveyed that IIPA has submitted a detailed proposal to DoPT. Secretary, DoPT informed that the proposal was well received and would be examined. Secretary, DoPT informed that IIPA should also propose the engagement of retired Civil Servants on relevant topics of research at IIPA. The retired officers have vast experience and they can come up with very good research outcomes. Chairman appreciated the idea and Director conveyed that IIPA would submit a detailed proposal in this matter also to DoPT shortly.

Item No.312.3 Draft office replies on suggestions/observations made by members in the AGM held on 26th October, 2018.

The Executive Council considered and approved the office replies on the suggestions/observations made by the members in the AGM held on 26th October, 2018.

The Director informed that sometimes behavior of IIPA members, particularly in the hostel is difficult to tolerate. Director apprised the EC of the misbehavior of Shri Gautam

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Ghosh in the hostel during the lunch time. Director said that Shri Ghosh always creates problems in the hostel and proper action need to be taken against the misbehavior of members in the hostel. Shri Shekhar Dutt said that the main issue of members is that they want a free and unlimited stay in IIPA Hostel.

The Director suggested that Shri Gautam Ghosh should be barred for one year from getting any booking in the hostel. The EC agreed to the suggestion. Dr. Chandramouli, suggested that there should be a Disciplinary Committee in IIPA to handle these issues of Members' misbehaviors. This suggestion of Secretary, DoPT is seconded by Shri Shekhar Dutt. The EC agreed for the same.

Item No.312.4 **Draft office replies on the suggestions/observations made by the Office Bearers of the Regional & Local Branches in its meeting held on 26th October, 2018.**

The Executive Council considered and approved the office replies on the suggestions/observations made by the office bearers of the Regional and Local Branches in its meeting held on 26th October, 2018.

Director informed about the suggestions of some members that only one member i.e. Chairman of regional/local branches should attend the Meeting of Branches during the AGM and not two members. He further opined that the Chairmen of the branches are either eminent academicians or seasoned administrators with vast experience and knowledge. So, their suggestions and interactions during the meeting of the branches will immensely help IIPA. Many a times, most of the Chairmen do not attend the meeting and IIPA is deprived of their vast experience. The EC agreed that only Chairmen of the branches should attend the Regional/Local branches meeting at the time of the AGM.

Chairman informed that some local and regional branches like J&K, Bareilly, Maharashtra, Karnataka, Tamil Nadu, Odisha, Puducherry etc. are doing commendable work and trying their best to generate resources at the local level. Bareilly branch is organizing a seminar which is being funded by the ICSSR. IIPA, New Delhi has facilitated this funding. Similarly, other branches also should try to generate their own resources. Dr. Chandramouli, Secretary, DoPT suggested to connect the activities conducted by the branches like seminars, lectures etc. with the twitter handle of IIPA as well as the IIPA website. This would help in exchange of information at faster pace and branches would be motivated to do good work. The Chairman endorsed the idea.



Item No.312.5 Removal of members in arrears for more than two years (2018 & 2019) from the roll of membership of the Institute.

The Executive Council perused the defaulting 17 Annual Members and 04 Corporate Members. The Director conveyed that IIPA would try once more for their continuance as members. After that, they would be removed as per rules & procedure.

Item No.312.6 Updation/verification of IIPA Membership.

Director informed that there are 3155 confirmed members of IIPA who have updated their details and he conveyed that the soft copies of Annual Report and Annual Accounts as well as other communications from IIPA should be sent only to these confirmed members. Further Annual Report etc. will also be uploaded on the website and can be accessed by anyone. Further, Director suggested that hard copies of Annual Report/Account etc. should be sent only to the members who have attended the previous AGM/Annual Conference as also to the Regional/Local branches and Corporate members to reduce expenditure as well as reduce the wastage of paper which would be a small step in preserving the environment also.

Item No.312.7 Draft Annual Report for 2018-2019.

The Executive Council approved the draft Annual Report 2018-2019 for adoption by the General Body.

Item No.312.8 Balance-sheet and Audited Statement of Accounts for 2018-2019 together with the Report of the Chartered Accountants.

The Executive Council approved the Balance Sheet and Audited Statement of Accounts for 2018-2019 together with the Report of the Chartered Accountants for adoption by the General Body at its Annual Meeting scheduled to be held on 11th October, 2019.

While discussing on the annual accounts, Director thanked DoPT for the support on implementation of 7th Pay Commission in the institute. The Director informed that IIPA has been in surplus probably for the first time on cash basis. While, it is a great achievement as also reflects the excellent performance on part of IIPA, the long term liability to the tune of Rs.97.76 Crore which includes retirement benefits to employees, is a cause for serious concern. Shri Shekhar Dutt suggested the need to create corpus fund where different stakeholders of IIPA will be contributing.

Director informed that we are planning to request the Life members to contribute Rs.1000 as token one time contribution. The EC suggested to make it voluntary and not

compulsory. Dr. Chandramouli, Secretary, DoPT suggested to seek funding from PSUs and corporates under CSR initiatives. Prof Swinder Singh of Punjab University suggested that the minimum contribution by members and others may be fixed at Rs.1000 and maximum may depend upon the donor.

Director informed that we are also planning for provision in each training and research programme by costing them differently so that a portion will go to the corpus fund.

Dr. Chandramouli suggested that the big government programmes and schemes such as Jal Shakti, Ayushman Bharat etc. may be approached and training & research projects may be done for these initiatives. This will help in generating more funds for IIPA.

Director informed that IIPA is continuously working in getting more projects and training programmes from Ministries. Recently, BIS & Ministry of Commerce have agreed for establishment of a new Centre on service standardization at IIPA with funding from them. We are trying other Ministries/Departments also for similar initiatives.

Item No.312.9 "Paul H. Appleby Award" for Distinguished Services to IIPA and to the field of Public Administration.

A duly constituted committee comprising of Shri Shekhar Dutt, the Director, Prof. A.K. Sharma, Prof. V.K. Sharma and Prof. K.K. Pandey scrutinized the nominations and shortlisted the following eight names for the Award.

1. Shri Nripendra Misra
2. Shri Prakash Singh
3. Shri D.M. Sukthankar
4. Prof. B.S. Ghuman
5. Dr. J.B.S. Johar
6. Shri S.B. Medhi
7. Mrs. Nirmala Buch
8. Prof. Kamta Prasad

The EC approved the above names unanimously for the award.

Item No.312.10 A brief report on the important activities of the Institute during April-August, 2019 relating to (a) Training Programmes and (b) Status of Research Projects.

The training programmes of IIPA are appreciated by the members. Director informed that IIPA is getting number of evaluation projects, CIC Third Party Audit etc. The EC appreciated the performance of IIPA in Training /Research area. The Chairman conveyed that the timelines and submission deadlines of the research projects need to be monitored and



strictly adhered to so that it should not give a bad impression on part of IIPA to the external agencies.

Item No.312.11 Theme for the Special Issue of IJPA (July-Sept. 2020) and Special Issue of Lok Prashasan (July-Dec. 2020).

Chairman suggested that more themes need to be added and the Editorial Board should discuss and decide on the themes. A decision will be taken after that on the themes.

Item No.312.12 New Chairman of Odisha Regional Branch.

The EC welcomed the new Chairman of Odisha Regional Branch and other office bearers and extended them best of luck.

Item No.312.13 Items to Report:

(i) Appointments/joining.

Noted.

(ii) Foreign visit of Faculty.

Noted.

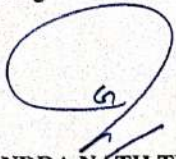
(iii) Retention/replacement of Laptops/Notebooks.

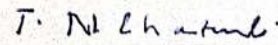
Noted.

(iv) Admission of Associate and Student Members.

The Executive Council approved the admission of 73 Associate and 01 Student Members on payment of the required membership fee.

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


(SURENDRA NATH TRIPATHI)
DIRECTOR &
MEMBER-SECRETARY


(T.N. CHATURVEDI)
CHAIRMAN