

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

**Minutes of the 325<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Executive Council  
held on 7<sup>th</sup> October, 2024 at 10:00 A.M.**

**PRESENT**

1. Dr. Jitendra Singh, Hon'ble Union Minister and Chairman IIPA E.C.
2. Shri Shekhar Dutt, Former Governor of Chhattisgarh
3. Shri S.S. Kshatriya, IAS (R), Former Chief Secretary of Maharashtra
4. Shri Sriram Taranikanti, IAS, Director LBSNAA, Mussoorie
5. Prof. Renu Vig, Vice Chancellor, Panjab University
6. Ms. Chhavi Bhardwaj, IAS, Jt. Secretary (Training), Representing Secretary, DoPT
7. Shri B.K. Manthan, Director, Representing Secretary (Exp.)
8. Col. (Dr.) Updesh Kumar Sharma, Jt. Adviser, Representing CEO, NITI Aayog
9. Shri B.R. Sharma, IAS (R), Chairman, Jammu & Kashmir Regional Branch
10. Shri T.M. Vijay Bhaskar, IAS (R), Chairman, Karnataka Regional Branch
11. Shri K.K. Sethi, IAS (R), Chairman, Madhya Pradesh Regional Branch
12. Shri Vijoy Prakash, IAS (R), Chairman, Bihar Regional Branch
13. Shri P.C. Lawmkunga, IAS (R), Chairman, Mizoram Regional Branch
14. Prof. K.K. Pandey, Faculty Representative
15. Shri Surendra Nath Tripathi, IAS (R), Director General & Member-Secretary

Shri Amitabh Ranjan, Registrar assisted in the meeting. Shri Pankaj Dixit, IAS, P.S. to the Hon'ble Union Minister, Shri Mithun Barua, Dy. Registrar (AS) and Shri O.P. Chawla, Dy. Registrar (F & A) were also present.

**Item No.325.1 Grant of leave of absence to Members.**

All members were present.

**Item No.325.2 (a) Confirmation of the Minutes of the 324<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Executive Council held on 31<sup>st</sup> May, 2024.**

The Minutes were confirmed.

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

Confirmed.

**Item No.325.3 Paul H. Appleby Award for 2024.**

The Executive Council approved the recommendation of the Committee to confer the award to **Shri Jalil Ahmad Khan, IAS (Retd.)** for Paul Appleby Award for 2024. His contribution to the field of Public Administration has been excellent. His contribution in establishing and guiding J&K Regional Branch is outstanding. He has been a very active Member of IIPA for a very long time.



**Item No.325.4 Dr. Rajendra Prasad Memorial Award for Academic Excellence for 2024.**

The Executive Council approved the recommendation of the Committee for the Award to **Prof. M.P. Singh** for Dr. Rajendra Prasad Memorial Award for Academic Excellence 2024. He has been an eminent educationist, academicians, writer and editor in academic discipline. He has been active in academic field for over 60 years and contributed very handsomely in the academic field. He has also been a Life Member of IIPA from over 44 years. Also, he has been editing the flagship journal of IIPA, Indian Journal of Public Administration (IJPA) for over 10 years now.

**Item No.325.5 Award to IIPA Regional and Local Branches for best performance.**

The Executive Council approved the recommendation of the Committee for the Award to the following Branches:

- (i) Maharashtra Regional Branch – First Prize carrying a Certificate and cash award of Rs.10,000/-.
- (ii) Madhya Pradesh Regional Branch – Second Prize carrying Certificate of Appreciation.
- (iii) Kerala Regional Branch –Third Prize carrying Certificate of Appreciation.

**Item No.325.6 Award of Prize to the winners of Case Study Award Competition 2024.**

The Executive Council approved the recommendation of the Committee for the Award as under:

First Prize of Rs. 10,000/- to: Dr. Poonam Chhaniwal and Dr. Haritha Guduru  
Topic: Circularity and Sustainability in Action: The Recykal Way

Second Prize of Rs. 6,000/- to: Mr. Rahul Gupta, Dr. Gita Bajaj and Dr. Rahul Kumar  
Topic: Battery Smart: Empowering EVs and Electrifying Earnings

Third Prize of Rs.4000/- to: Dr. Tanmaya Kumar Mishra, Dr. Bindiya Gupta & Dr. Bhumika Achhnani  
Topic: The Dark Side: A Look at India's Edtech Landscape

**Item No.325.7 Office replies on the suggestions/observations made by the Members in the AGM held on 31<sup>st</sup> October, 2023.**

Confirmed

**Item No.325.8 Office replies on the suggestions/observations made by the Office Bearers of the Regional & Local Branches in its meeting held on 31<sup>st</sup> October, 2023.**

Confirmed

**Item No.325.9 Draft Annual Report for 2023-24.**

Confirmed

**Item No.325.10 Balance-sheet and Audited Statement of Accounts for 2023-24 together with the Report of the Chartered Accountants.**

Confirmed

**Item No.325.11 Admission of new Life Members.**

Confirmed

**Item No.325.12 Removal of Corporate Members due to non-payment of membership fee.**

The E.C. approved of making one more attempt towards getting the fee payment.

**Item No.325.13 Nomination/Co-option of the Members of the Executive Council for the term 2024-26.**

As per Rule 11 (vii), (ix) &amp; (x) of the MoA, the Executive Council approved the following nomination/co-option for the term 2024-26:

## (a) Co-option of the Chairmen of five Regional Branches

The Regional Branches zone-wise are given below:

North	1. Delhi 2. Jammu & Kashmir 3. Haryana 4. Uttar Pradesh 5. Uttarakhand (defunct)	South	1. Karnataka 2. Kerala 3. Puducherry 4. Tamil Nadu 5. Telangana & Andhra Pradesh
East	1. Bihar 2. Chhattisgarh 3. Jharkhand 4. Odisha 5. West Bengal	West	1. Goa (defunct) 2. Gujarat 3. Madhya Pradesh 4. Maharashtra 5. Rajasthan 6. Punjab & Chandigarh (UT)
North East	1. Assam 2. Manipur 3. Meghalaya (defunct) 4. Mizoram 5. Sikkim (to be established) 6. Tripura (to be established)		

The E.C. approved the co-option of the Chairmen of the following Regional Branches:

1. Delhi (North)
2. Puducherry (South)
3. Chhattisgarh (East)
4. Rajasthan (West)
5. Assam (North East)



## (b) Two Eminent Persons

1. Shri Shekhar Dutt, Former Governor of Chhattisgarh
2. Shri S.S. Kshatriya, IAS (Retd.), Former Chief Secretary of Maharashtra and Former Chief Commissioner, Right to Service, Maharashtra

## (c) IIPA Faculty

Prof. Neetu Jain

**Item No.325.14** A brief report on the important activities of the Institute during June to September, 2024 relating to (a) Training Programmes and (b) Status of Research Projects.

Confirmed

**Item No.325.15** Items to Report: Confirmed

- (i) Extension of senior staff
- (ii) Foreign visit of Director General and Faculty Members (without any financial implication on IIPA)

**Item No.325.16** Theme for Special Issue of IJPA and Lok Prashasan for 2025.

The Executive Council approved, the Theme for Special Issue of Indian Journal of Public Administration (IJPA), (July-September 2025) will be approved by the Hon'ble Chairman, IIPA in consultation with DG IIPA.

The same theme will be in Hindi for Special Issue of Lok Prashasan (July-December 2025).

**Item No.325.17** Any other business with permission of the Chairman.

## (i) Formulation of Trust under IIPA for Rental Income

The Executive Council approved the proposal to formulate a separate Trust for Rental Income under IIPA. The required formalities for setting up a new Trust will be prepared by IIPA in due course and put up to the Hon'ble Chairman IIPA EC for his kind approval.

## (ii) Award of prizes to the winners of the Annual Essay Prize Competition, 2024

The Executive Council approved the award of prizes to the winners of the Annual Essay Competition 2024 as under :

S. No.	Name of the Winners	Topics	Prize
1.	आकाश गुप्ता (Akash Gupta)	Viksit Bharat- India in 2047 (Hindi)	First prize Rs.10,000/-

	जिला : सुल्तानपुर, उत्तर प्रदेश		
2.	Shri Sajal Jain Agra, Uttar Pradesh	Viksit Bharat- India in 2047 (English)	Second prize Rs.7,000/-
3.	Shri Syed Mohammad Raghib Research Officer, IIPA	Artificial Intelligence in Government (English)	Third prize Rs.5,000/-

Dr. Jitendra Singh, Hon'ble Union Minister and Chairman IIPA E.C said that Indian Institute of Public Administration (IIPA) should work in sync with Karmayogi programme of the Government of India to train personnel for tackling new challenges of governance, especially to young civil servants of not only Centre but States and Union Territories as well. He also mentioned that Assistant Secretaries on Delhi stint must be exposed to modern governance tools in IIPA for their better understanding. This will make them more aware bureaucrats.

Envisaged in 2020, the flagship Mission Karmayogi has been carefully designed to lay the foundations for capacity building for Civil Servants so that they remain entrenched in Indian Culture and sensibilities and remain connected, with their roots, while they learn from the best institutions and practices across the world. The Programme is being delivered by setting up an Integrated Government Online Training-iGOT Karmayogi Platform.

Capacity of Civil Services plays a vital role in rendering a wide variety of services, implementing welfare programs and performing core governance functions. A transformational change in Civil Service Capacity is proposed to be affected by organically linking the transformation of work culture, strengthening public institutions and adopting modern technology to build civil service capacity with the overall aim of ensuring efficient delivery of services to citizens.

Speaking about injecting young blood in IIPA, the Minister said, "We took a decision of opening up of the membership because otherwise it was getting reduced to the retired officers' club and the results have been very rewarding. In the last two years and we have youngest members among the assistant secretaries who just passed out of Mussoorie.

He even suggested IIPA for thinking about having a membership drive because many of the prospective members have not acquired membership because they're not aware of it. He said, "Every year what we are doing is that we have a batch of assistance secretaries before they go to their respective cadres, we request them or suggest to them to acquire the membership otherwise in the normal course most of them are not aware of it but once they are told they're very happy doing it."



He mentioned that IIPA is now more integrated with DoPT, DARPG and other sister Institutions like LBSNAA, Mussoorie.

Prof. Renu Vig, Vice Chancellor, Panjab University advised that IIPA should share their List of Training Programme with Panjab University (PU) so that PU can provide IIPA references of qualified trainers and subject matter experts of PU and other Institutions.

Shri T.M. Vijay Bhaskar, Chairman, Karnataka Regional Branch informed that Government of Karnataka has increased the Grant to Karnataka Regional Branch from Rs.30.00 Lakhs to Rs 35.00 Lakhs. The Local Branch of Mysore has been rejuvenated and Shri Bhaskar has requested the support of IIPA in order to take-up the District Good Governance Index (DDGI) preparation of State of Karnataka. DG IIPA informed that IIPA has written to Chief Secretaries of all States and UTs for the DDGI and IIPA HQ is ready to provide all assistance to the Regional Branches for taking-up DDGI with their respective States.

Shri P.C. Lawmkunga, Chairman, Mizoram Regional Branch requested for financial assistance from IIPA HQ for organizing seminars which will be attended by the highest officials of the State. DG IIPA informed that IIPA is providing assistance of Rs 1.5 Lakhs for organizing Regional Conferences and Mizoram Regional Branch can take this opportunity to organize the Regional Conference of Northeastern States.

Shri B.R. Sharma, Chairman, Jammu & Kashmir Regional Branch congratulated Maharashtra Regional Branch for the best branch award and thanked IIPA HQ for selecting Shri Jalil Ahmad Khan, IAS (Retd.) for the Paul Appleby Award 2024. Shri Sharma announced and informed that J&K Regional Branch is going to organize the North Zone Regional Conference on 14<sup>th</sup> December 2024 at Jammu, and 'Citizen Centric Governance' will be the theme.

Ms. Chhavi Bhardwaj, Jt. Secretary (Training), DoPT, Govt. of India said that DoPT will provide all required assistance to IIPA and its Regional & Local Branches in enhancing their outreach and activities. She mentioned that the World Bank is funding Capacity Building initiatives of DoPT and IIPA may take advantage of it.

Col. (Dr.) Updesh Kumar Sharma, Jt. Adviser, NITI Aayog said that he will encourage officials of the NITI Aayog to take the membership of IIPA and also work for the enhancement of the collaboration between IIPA and NITI Aayog.

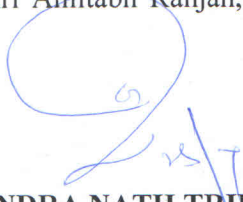
Shri K.K. Sethi, Chairman, Madhya Pradesh Regional Branch informed that their branch has successfully conducted the Zonal Conference in RCVP Noronha Academy of Administration in Bhopal on 10<sup>th</sup> August 2024 and it was a grand success. DG IIPA also

endorsed that the conference went very well and complimented Shri Sethi for the success. The conference was attended by the retired and serving senior IAS, IPS and other State Government Officials, Academicians, Officers Trainees.

Shri S.S. Kshatriya, Former Chief Secretary of Maharashtra and Chairman Maharashtra Regional Branch said that Maharashtra would like to conduct the Western Zone Regional Conference and as the ATI of Maharashtra is in Pune so the venue of the conference will preferably be in Pune. The conference dates will be communicated in due course. Shri Kshatriya congratulated Karnataka Regional Branch for the enhancement of grant by their State Government to their Regional Branch. Shri Kshatriya also appreciated the Newsletter of the Karnataka Regional Branch which is published on regular basis with the enriched content. Shri T.M. Vijay Bhaskar, Chairman, Karnataka Regional Branch said that the credit of curating the Newsletter goes to Dr. Jeevan Kumar, Secretary of their branch who puts on sincere efforts in this regard. Shri Kshatriya said that the Branches should be encouraged to find out the innovative administrative practices and put those before the people. Maharashtra Regional Branch has instituted Late Dr S. S. Gadkari Annual Memorial Award for Innovation in Public Administration in 2016 and they award it to the state civil servants for delivery of quality public service by using cutting-edge technology and adopting innovative ideas.

Prof. K.K. Pandey, Faculty Representative thanked EC for inducting him as Faculty Representative for continuous three terms of two years. Prof Pandey has mentioned that IIPA has developed a lot and come out from various crises in the past five year, including Covid-19 pandemic under the dynamic leadership and guidance of the Hon'ble Union Minister and the Director General.

The meeting ended with the Words of Thanks by Shri Amitabh Ranjan, Registrar, IIPA.

  
(SURENDRA NATH TRIPATHI)  
DIRECTOR GENERAL  
AND  
MEMBER SECRETARY

